

Press Release

IAASF 2022 to be held at the prestigious Het Scheepvaartmuseum (National Maritime Museum), Amsterdam

Following the success of this year <u>IAASF</u> (International Arts & Antiquities Security Forum) conference in the UK, the time is right to make the event international and accessible for a wider global audience.

The 2022 event will be held at the Het Scheepvaartmuseum (National Maritime Museum) in Amsterdam, between the 4th and 6th of September 2022. The theme, "Post Pandemic Protection of the Cultural Heritage Sector" builds on the 2021 event and discussed the existing, and evolving threats that museums, galleries, places of worship, and other historical sites or venues are facing during the recovery from the global pandemic.

Next year's event will attract delegates and expert speakers from around the world, many of whom are sharing their knowledge and experiences with delegates so they can proactively avoid risks that can impact artefacts, venues, and people. Due to demand, there is also additional scope for exhibitors to demonstrate their latest products or services that directly support the protection of cultural and historical venues.

Andy Davis, Chair of the IAASF said, "AS the IAASF continues to grow and support the arts, antiquities, and cultural heritage communities, it is only right that we enable a broader range of delegate to benefit from the content that our expert speakers bring. Holding the event at the beautiful **Het Scheepvaartmuseum** was an easy decision to make due to the longstanding support and engagement the IAASF has received, and the excellent facilities (and exhibitions) that are available for delegates to enjoy."

Michael Huijser, Executive Director of the **Het Scheepvaartmuseum** commented, "The threats museums, galleries, and other historical sites are facing continue to increase and show no signs of slowing down. The IAASF shares expert advice and guidance on how to reduce and avoid unnecessary risks that communities face." He continued, "when they confirmed the conference was going to be taken to international destinations, I did not hesitate to offer the museum as an excellent venue to reach the European audience and support the Dutch cultural community."

The whole IAASF team is really excited about the prospect of expanding the reach and content of the 2022 event and as such has revised the format to include additional keynote speakers, educational sessions, increased exhibitor engagement, and 'master classes' within specialist (but sector specify) areas.

Further announcements will be made over the coming weeks via the IAASF management team and other social media outlets.

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