Dear colleagues,

Registration for the **First European Mineralogical Conference EMC-2012** in Frankfurt (Germany, 2-6 Sept. 2012) is open: <u>http://emc2012.uni-frankfurt.de</u>

We cordially invite you to participate and contribute to the following session:

## 13 a Mineralogical sciences and cultural heritage

The archaeometric studies of artistic and archaeological artifacts implies the identification of nature and provenance of raw materials, as well as the definition of various aspects of their production technology and mechanisms of decay. Researchers in Mineralogical Sciences are well equipped, from the methodological and experimental point of view, for studying these complex materials and for interpreting the processes they underwent. In the frame of EMC-2012, the session "Mineralogical sciences and Cultural Heritage" is intended as a forum for presenting for discussing different experimental approaches and the results obtained in the study of a wide variety of materials, ranging from ceramics, glass, pigments and lithics to metals, building materials and others.

The scheduled key-note speaker is Patrick Degryse (Leuven University ).

We look forward for your contributions!

Sincerely,

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