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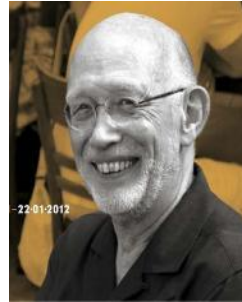
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NATIONAL ACTIVITIES 2012

In 2012 PIANC-Belgium lost again two distinguished members.

On *January 22*, Eng. **Jean Jacques Peters**, former professor at the university of Brussels and Leuven, passed away in Ghent and on *February 19*, Eng. **Guy Wellens** passed away in Alpe d'Huez, France. He was CEO of Soletanches-Belgium.



Guy Wellens 1-11-1955 / 19-2-2012

Traditionally **PIANC-YP Belgium** started the year 2012 on *January 12* with a *culinary workshop*, this time in the city of Ghent. Ten gourmands participated.

On *February 15*, the **Master plan Coastal Safety** approved by the Flemish government on June 10, 2011 was presented to the PIANC-AIPCN.be members in the yacht club of Nieuwpoort.



Presentation of the Master plan Coastal Safety by



Kathleen Bernaert, Tina Mertens, and Nathalie Balcaen



Tina Mertens during her presentation



Harbour entrance port of Ostend



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On *March 29*, the annual **General Assembly of PIANC-Belgium** took place. This time it was the Walloon region that organised the meeting at the Lanaye lock north of the city of Liège and near the Dutch border. About 92 members participated in the General Assembly.

Interesting presentations about the new lock at Lanaye (Muriel Chadron) and the logistic platform Trilopiort (Stéphan Nivelles) were explained.

After these presentations an enjoyable boat trip on the Albert-canal was organised. After the lunch, served on board the ship, from the top of the existing mechanism building at Lanaye, a guided view of the works in progress was organised.



Muriel Chadron



Aperitif on deck of the Ville de Liège



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New Lock in Lanaye under construction



Existing lock in Lanaye



On April 26 a **one day seminar** on “**The port of Zeebrugge: renovation of quay walls and future developments**” was organised by the Belgian PIANC YP. There were 66 participants.

Several presentations about the port of Bruges were presented by Denis Maly (Port of Zeebrugge), Dirk Nous (Fluxys), Frederik Sanders (Port of Zeebrugge), Dirk De Clerck (Besix), Nic De Roeck (J. De Nul), Jan Goemaere (Maritime Access) and Tom T’Joens (Hye).



After the lunch, visits to the quay wall deepening works of the Container Handling Zeebrugge Terminal and the construction site of foundations for windmills, to be transported over sea to Sweden, were organised as well as a





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technical visit by boat to the port of Bruges. The seminar ended with a networking moment in the passenger's terminal of the port of Bruges.



Deepening of the existing quay-wall in the Port of Bruges

The **traditional summer activity** was organised on *August 31, 2012*, on the Canal du Centre at La Louvière. As well the exact 10 year old ship elevator (Strépy-Thieu: inauguration 1-9-2002), as the historic ones were visited.

After the visit the 59 participants enjoyed a BBQ along the riverbank of the Canal du Centre.



Assenseur Strépy-Thieu (1982 -2002)



Houdeng-Goegnies, Assenseur nr 1, 15,40m : 1888





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A two days **technical visit to Chatou in France** was organised on **October 2 and 3**. A visit to the “weir of Chatou” under construction, and to the Laboratory d’Hydraulique à Saint-Venant was on the programme. The second day, visits to the “fish passage of Andrésy and shore protections” and the Port de Paris were organised. There were 19 participants.



Barrage Chatou



Fish passage



PIANC-AIPCN.be délégation in the Port de Gennevilliers (Paris)





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On *October 11*, an **evening session** about the **Seine Nord project** was organised by PIANC-YP.

Finally on *November 23*, the **Third Autumn Seminar** was organised by **SPW** in Namur. More than 60 participants were informed about "The River Meuse": new locks under construction, future developments and the situation on the French Meuse.



SPW seminar in Namur Auditorium Vifquain



Jacques Hacourt instructed by his younger people



Olivier Vermorel VNF Nancy: about the French Meuse



SPW seminar in Namur

More information's and all Power-Points presentations of the Belgian activities, you can find on our website <http://www.pianc-aipcn.be/m4s1N.html>





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INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

A delegation of Belgian participants was active during the **Copedec Conference in Chennai, India** (20-24 February).

A complete Belgian delegation took part in the **AGA-Valencia** and the 2nd Med Days from May 22 till 25.



The preparation of the next **Smart River Conference in 2013 in Liège-Maastricht**, as a joined organisation of PIANC-Belgium and PIANC-The Netherlands, has started with the creation of a LOC (Local Organisation Committee).

FACTS and FIGURES

Membership in 2012

Platinum member:	2
Life member:	22
Honorary member:	3
Individual member:	127
Small collective member:	47
Large collective member:	9



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