Call for Papers

for the 3rd Symposium of the International Society for the History of the Map (ISHMap) on
3rd/4th June, 2016

‘Encounters and Translations:
Mapping and Writing the Waters of the World’

The Third ISHMap symposium will be held on Friday, 3rd and Saturday, 4th June 2016 at the National Library of Portugal in Lisbon, Auditório BNP. The Organising Committee is composed of ISHMap, in collaboration with the “Centro Interuniversitario das Ciencias e da Tecnologia” (CIUHCT, University of Lisbon) and the “Biblioteca National de Portugal” (BNP).

Local organizer: Thomas Horst (Trustee of ISHMap and Postdoc at the CIUHCT). Representatives of the local partners: Antonio Sanchez Martinez (CIUHCT), João Carlos García (University of Porto and CIUHCT) and Maria Joaquina Esteves Feijão (Curator of the Maps at the National Library of Portugal).

The Scientific Committee, responsible for the content of the academic programme: Antti Jakobson (ISHMap trustee, Finland), Júnia Ferreira Furtado (ISHMap trustee, Brazil), Mary Sponberg Pedley (ISHMap member, USA), Petra Svatek (ISHMap trustee, Austria) and Emmanuelle Vagnon (ISHMap trustee, France).

Proposals for papers to be delivered at the Symposium should be on the subject of the symposium “Encounters and Translations: Mapping and Writing the Waters of the World”. The paper can be from any period in history and may take the term “encounters and translations” in a broad sense. It covers hydrographical maps and charts. The term water includes seas, oceans, rivers, lakes and the ice.

Suggested topics for a paper might be:

- from original sketches and drafts to publication
- translation of knowledge from one country to another
- the indigenous input
- cross-cultural influence in mapmaking
- the role of networks in the production of hydrographical maps and any other aspect of hydrographical mapmaking.

Paper proposals requirements
Titles and Abstracts of papers (up to 350 words) should be submitted electronically by 18 December, 2015 to the ISHMap website at http://ishm.elte.hu.
Notification of the results of selection will be in the end of January 2016.

Practical arrangements
The symposium is open to all interested in the subject. There is no fee. All papers on two days (morning and afternoon) will be given in English; each presentation will be allotted 20 minutes. Sufficient discussion time for the symposium participants will follow.

The Annual General Meeting of ISHMap will take place on Friday, 3rd June 2016 after the papers of the first day.