

# The British Library Conservation Research Conference 2011

## The Science of Objects and Collections

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2011

The conference will explore two themes: Understanding the nature of objects, and understanding the behaviour of collections.

### Morning

<b>Time</b>	<b>Programme</b>
09:00	Arrive, register, coffee
09:30	<b>Introduction</b> <i>Caroline Brazier, Director of Scholarship &amp; Collections, The British Library</i>
09:40	<b>Conservation research at The British Library</b> <i>Barry Knight, Head of Conservation Research, The British Library</i>
10:00	<b>Applications of spectroscopy in conservation research</b> <i>Paul Garside, Conservation Scientist, The British Library</i>
10:20	<b>Research on parchment conservation</b> <i>Mariluz Beltran de Guevara, Conservator, The British Library</i>
10:40	<b>The effects of storage conditions on the microstructure of parchment</b> <i>Lee Gonzalez, Research Fellow, The National Archives</i>
11:00	<b>Questions</b>
11:15	<b>Coffee</b>
11:30	<b>Identifying diverse materials in library collections</b> <i>Lesley Hanson, Conservator, The British Library</i>
11:50	<b>The 'Heritage Smells' project</b> <i>Lorraine Gibson, Senior Lecturer, University of Strathclyde</i>
12:10	<b>Non-invasive spectral imaging for identification and assessment of conservation materials, treatments and environment</b> <i>Fenella France, Preservation Research Program Liaison, Library of Congress</i>
12:30	<b>Questions</b>
12:45	<b>Lunch</b>

## Afternoon

<b>Time</b>	<b>Programme</b>
13:45	<b>Integrated modelling: the demography of collections</b> <i>Matija Strlic, Senior Lecturer, UCL Centre for Sustainable Heritage</i>
14:05	<b>Influence of the environment on collections in mass storage</b> <i>Ami Pass, PhD student, University of Lincoln</i>
14:25	<b>Energy efficiency of mass storage</b> <i>Patrick Dixon, Head of Building Services, The British Library</i>
14:45	<b>Understanding the environment in an archive store</b> <i>Kostas Ntanos, Conservation Science manager, The National Archives</i>
15:05	<b>Questions</b>
15:20	<b>Tea</b>
15:45	<b>Developing standards for the environment</b> <i>Nancy Bell, Head of Collection Care, The National Archives</i>
16:05	<b>The Identical Books Project and after</b> <i>Velson Horie, Collection Care and Conservation Consultant</i>
16:25	<b>Questions</b>
16:45	<b>Conclusions</b> <i>Barry Knight, Head of Conservation Research, The British Library</i>
17:00	<b>End</b>