Topics and Scope

The congress seeks to discuss and generate empirical data on the nature, frequency and costs of corporate crises and man-made disasters and their trends over time, and to develop systems for their management.

Program

A full program is presented on quantification of crises and disasters, and is followed by an informal session where participants can outline and discuss research proposals in the field.

Thursday June 7th (9.00 am-17.30 pm)

Conference opening by Ira Helsloot, editor JCCM

- Empirical test of a core-hypothesis of the Normal Accident Theory about the reliability and safety of high consequence technical systems. Technical system risk is determined by the interaction of two characteristics associated with the organization and its technology: complexity and coupling. The more complex the systems and the tighter they are coupled, the most risk.
  Speaker: Frederick Wolf

- Questions-

- Comparative Analysis of the Interorganizational Links of the Quebec Crisis-Management System. A quantitative study based on three major crisis in Canada.
  Speaker: Louis Côte

- Assessing Human Impact of Organizational Crises. Evaluation of the reliability and validity of the Triage Assessment Survey: Organizations (TAS:O), a 27-item, 5-point, Likert summated rating scale. One hundred and seventeen participants responded to the TAS:O after reading mild, moderate, marked and severe organizational crisis scenarios.
  Speaker: Livia M. d’Andrea

- Questions-

- Reorganising public oversight of high-risk industries in France. A reliability analysis of permitting. Reliability diagnose regarding the delivery of operating permits by French industrial control agencies to companies wishing to carry out high risk activities.
  Speaker: Julien Etienne

- Questions-

- Food crises and famine disaster. A quantitative analysis about how policy changes since the 1950s led to food crises and even famine disasters.
  Speaker: Hendrik J. Bruins

- Questions-
- 'How prepared are they?' A quantitative study of crisis perception, crisis experience, crisis management and crisis communication in private companies and public authorities in Denmark.
  Speakers: Finn Frandsen & Winni Johansen

- Dealing with great scale crisis – avenues for quantification and decision making support. Providing solid quantification methods and decision-making supports for managers in charge of coping with escalations that leads to great scale crisis.
  Speakers: Carole Dautun & Christophe Roux-Dufort

Questions
Conference wrap up by Les Coleman

CONFERENCE DINNER

Friday June 8th (9.00 am-13.00 pm)

- Informal meeting of interested Conference participants providing an opportunity to outline and discuss their own research into crisis management
  Speakers: Any participant who wants to share his research activities

Additional events
Additional events include a dinner on the Thursday night and a sightseeing tour through Amsterdam by night!

Conference fees
Registration for the conference is free. Please email jccm@fsw.vu.nl for your registration.

Accommodation
The conference will take place in "De Rode Hoed". "De Rode Hoed" is located in a beautiful historic building in the centre of Amsterdam and accessible for about 10 minutes by foot from Central Station.
Address:
Keizersgracht 102
1015 CV, Amsterdam

Delegates are responsible for booking their own accommodation for the conference. We recommend searching at www.bookings.com as this website gives a lot of possibilities for overnight stays in the centre of Amsterdam.