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Bio



Michel COTTE is emeritus professor of the History of Technology from Centre François Viète, University of Nantes (France). His PhD was devoted to the study of innovation and transfer of technologies during the early industrial revolution in France (1820-1830s), by the case study of Seguin Brothers Co. This pioneer society developed a range of creative activities in different fields: textile industry, suspension bridges, steamboats for river navigation and finally railways. He also pays specific attention about education of civil engineers and manufacturers and more globally to the international circulation of technical ideas as a key cultural movement associated to the diffusion of industrial revolution through the world. As researcher associated to engineering schools, he was a pioneer for the use of modern digital tools (assisted design) for the retro-conception of ancient machine tools. In parallel to its academic involvement, he was an ICOMOS' adviser for the implementation of the World heritage Convention from UNESCO in the fields of civil engineering, hydraulics, science and technical heritage. Michel Cotte is the current president of the French Society of the History of Science and Technology.

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