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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

making the latest information in the field of restoration and conservation available via the internet shall continue to be the Hornemann Institute's focal point in 2003.

1. New as a database: theses of conservators and restorers

Approximately 450 abstracts of theses in German and English have meanwhile been published on our website. Upon request, the entire thesis can be downloaded. In setting up this theses database, we have helped optimize conducting research. Moreover, the authors themselves can publish their work, illustrations and notes in the database via the internet as well as revise and update whenever they like. The Hornemann Institute offers experts further opportunity to exchange information on an international scale.

2. New Cooperation with the Getty Conservation Institute

The Getty Conservation Institute and the Hornemann Institute have agreed to cooperate to promote broader dissemination of research results. Both institutes ask their contributors to make their data available to the partner institute. The Getty Institute will integrate the English abstracts of the degree dissertations in its online-service AATA and the Hornemann Institute will continue to also offer German abstracts, illustrations, complete texts and other information.

3. Continued Education Modules

Two Hornemann Institute internet-based continued education modules have meanwhile been tested by restoration and conservation students. One is the first part of the module "Damage to Objects of Cultural Heritage by Salt" (Schädigung von Kulturgut durch Salze) designed by Dr. Hans-Jürgen Schwarz and the other is a part of the course "Microbe Infestation of Art Objects and Objects of Cultural Heritage" (Microbieller Befall von Kunst- und Kulturgut) written by Diplom-Restauratorin Barbara Hentschel, Hornemann Institute, with the assistance of Prof. Dr. Karin Petersen of the Institute of Restoration and Conservation of the University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Hildesheim/Holzminden/Göttingen. The resonance of the two digital courses with learning controls was very good. The students praised the service as

beneficial for preparing for their examinations and would appreciate further internet courses to supplement lectures. The modules are only available in German.

4. Website

The service section of our website has also been expanded. In addition to our assistance in finding and obtaining literature and our link lists, we have recently also published translating aids for restoration and conservation terminology, particularly for translating from German into English. This list was compiled by Ingrid Coughlan in the course of her translating work here at the Hornemann Institute. We would welcome your help in expanding this list! Please send your suggestions to: service@hornemann-institut.de.

Best regards,
your team at the Hornemann Institute