

Information of interest

Conference's Locations:

Main Venue: Campus San Pedro Mártir UCLM
Calle del Cobertizo de San Pedro Mártir, 7, 45002 Toledo

- **Secretary:** Sala de Música
- **Conferences and lectures:** Auditorio Iglesia
- **Coffee and lunch breaks:** Patio del Tesoro

Saint Mary's Cathedral of Toledo
Calle Cardenal Cisneros, 1, 45002 Toledo

Toledo's Town Hall
Plaza del Consistorio 1, 45002 Toledo

Additional information:

- **Every day at 8:00** there will be a celebration of the Holy Mass in Roman Rite at Capilla del Sagrario for all the participants interested.
- In case you are interested in visiting the exposition "Primada" we request you to fill out the following form to ensure your correct access. You will not be able to enter unless you register before **21st September**.

<https://form.jotform.com/262443433521046>

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Tuesday, 22nd September 2026

10:00 Official reception offered by Toledo Town Hall for the Executive Committee of the Dombaumeister e.V. | [Ayuntamiento de Toledo](#)

12:00 Meeting of the executive committee | [Sala de Prensa, Campus San Pedro Mártir](#)

14:30 Lunch break - executive committee

16:00 Participants check-in and material distribution | [Sala de Música](#)

18:00 Conference Opening | [Iglesia \(Auditorio\)](#)

Speakers:

- Vice-Rector of the Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha
- Canon Master of Works at Catedral de Toledo
- Dean at Catedral de Toledo
- President of the Dombaumeister e.V.

19:00 Welcome cocktail | [Patio del Tesoro](#)

Wednesday, 23rd September of 2026

09:00 Welcome

Annette Loeffel (President of the Dombaumeister e.V.)

09:15 Opening lecture: Toledo and its Cathedral. A two-way relation.

María José Llop Otín (Medieval History Professor at UCLM)

10:00 Archaeology and Cultural Heritage: Toledo's Cathedral

Javier Peces Pérez & Samuel Rodríguez Martín (Archaeological Department of Toledo Cathedral)

Structures

10:30 Historic Structure Under Strain

Albert Distelrath (Deputy Architect of Cologne Cathedral) & Michael Bastgen (Technical Director of the Cologne Cathedral Building Workshop)

11:00 St. Leonhards Church: structural reinforcement

Julia Lienemeyer (Architect of the Cathedral of the City of Frankfurt am Main)

11:30 Coffee Break

Monitoring

12:00 The spire of Dijon Cathedral, impossible to monitor

Martin Bacot (Chief Architect for Historic Monuments of France, Dept. Côte d'Or et Rhône)

12:30 Monitoring at Freiburg Minster

Tilman Borsdorf (Head Conservator at Freiburg Minster Building Association e.V.)

13:00 20 years monitoring Dresden's Frauenkirche

Thomas Gottschlich (Architect at Dresden Frauenkirche Foundation)

13:30 Lunch - own arrangement

16:00 Free and optional visit to the exposition “Primada” (prior booking required) | [Catedral de Toledo](#)

by courtesy of Toledo Cathedral's Chapter

18:00 Official group photo | [Catedral de Toledo](#)

18:30 Private guided visit to the inside of the Catedral de Toledo, Primate of Spain. Language: English and German. By courtesy of Toledo Cathedral's Chapter

Thursday, 24th September 2026

Monitoring

09:00 Digital data and process model for maintenance

Marisia Conn (Cathedral Architect at Nürnbergz Cathedral) & Claus Giersch (Cathedral Architect at Nürnbergz Cathedral)

09:30 Ongoing maintenance at Bern Minster

Annette Loeffel (Cathedral Architect at Bern Minster)

10:00 Monitoring at Bern Minster: report from the field

Peter Völkle (Head of the Cathedral Workshop of Bern)

10:30 Monitoring the restoration of St Vitus Cathedral

Petr Chotěbor (Architect at the Office of the President of the Czech Republic)

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 Digital Twins: the new way to preserve our artistic and architectural heritage

Maite Aranda (Manager at the Official College of Geomatic Engineering and Topography of Castilla-La Mancha) & Ms. Paula Noriega (Abscisa 3D)

12:15 Observing Before Intervening: Cathedral of Barcelona

Àngel Menargues (Architect at the Cathedral of Barcelona)

12:45 The infinite restoration

Roberto Cela (Technical Director of the Opera della Primaziale Pisana), Carolina Vatteroni (Coordinator of the Stone Conservation Department at the Opera della Primaziale Pisana) & Stefano Lupo (Head of the Conservation Department of the Opera della Primaziale Pisana)

13:15 Lunch Break

Reconstruction

14:50 Reconstruction of the tower and north spire of St. Denis

Christophe Bottineau (President of the Chief Architects for Historic Monuments of France, Dept. Seine-Saint-Denis and Paris)

15:50 Reconstructing an Epitaph Destroyed in WWII

Carsten Sußmann (Cathedral Architect at the Cathedrals of Magdeburg and Halberstadt)

16:15 From Wartime Emergency Digitisation to Structured Heritage Data: Building a Long-Term Monitoring and Research Resource for Cathedrals

Yurii Prepodobnyi (Co-founder of Skeiron LLC)

16:45 Restoration of stained glass windows in Naumburg

Regine Hartkopf (Cathedral Architect at the Cathedrals of Naumburg and Merseburg)

17:15 The Restoration of Toledo Cathedral's Chapterhouse Room: the recovery of Cardinal Cisneros' legacy

Antonio Sánchez-Barriga Fernández (Curator at Catedral de Toledo) & Juan Luis Blanco Mozo (Professor in the Department of Art History and Theory at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid).

Dinner - own arrangement

21:00 Cultural activity: Experience LUMINA CATEDRAL DE TOLEDO (language: Spanish) and an exterior tour of the Catedral de Toledo (languages: English and German) | [Catedral de Toledo](#)

Friday, 25th September 2026

Management

09:00 Management of French cathedrals

Christophe Bottineau (President of the Chief Architects for Historic Monuments of France, Dept. Seine-Saint-Denis and Paris)

09:30 Traditional, sustainable and secure means of visiting

Denis Dodeman (Chief Architect for Historic Monuments of France, Dept. Charente/Dordogne/Indre-et-Loire)

10:15 Panel Discussion: Toledo Cathedral's procedure and protocol in the administrative management of the conservation projects and its relation with the Public Administration

Moderator: Francisco Javier Hernández de Pinto (Canon Master of Works at Catedral de Toledo)

Speakers:

Roberto Carlos Pina Ludeña (Technical Architect of the Catedral de Toledo), Patricia Hevia (Head of the Heritage and Archaeology Department at the JCCM), Nuria Molina (Municipal Architect of the Town Hall of Toledo) & Jesús Corroto (Manager of the Consorcio de Toledo).

11:15 Coffee Break

11:45 Current challenges and the destruction of cultural heritage in Ukraine

Nelia Kukovalska (Director-General of the Saint Sophia of Kyiv National Conservation Area)

12:30 The Archive as a working tool at Toledo Cathedral

Alfredo Rodríguez González (Technician at the Catedral de Toledo's Chapter Archives and Library)

13:00 Lunch Break

14:30 Meeting of the Cathedral Workshops: Intangible Cultural Heritage

15:45 Closing

Annette Loeffel (President of the Dombaumeister e.V.)

16:15 Announce of the venue for the 2027 Congress

16:30 General Assembly

20:00 Organ Concert | [Catedral de Toledo](#)

20:15 Gala Evening

Saturday, 26th September 2026

09:30 Cultural Itineraries (prior booking required). Language: English | [Meeting point: Plaza de Zocodover](#)

Tour 1: The Survival of the Mozarabic Legacy

Tour 2: Toledo, Crisol of the 3 Cultures

Tour 3: Interpretative itinerary of local architecture