Special Issue

Effective Models in Heritage Science

Message from the Guest Editors

Although a range of models have been applied in heritage science, practical uptake and utilisation has often been limited. This Special Issue will present various heritage models designed to serve as input in practice. Heritage sites and objects are shaped by their environment. Investigating interactions between heritage and its surroundings is vital for establishing processes of change and informing management decisions. Process-based models provide a tool for exploring the effect of environmental change. Such work should contribute to better practice in heritage science and practical conservation and optimally encourage a two-way exchange of understanding between research and practice. However, within the heritage field, modelling is not as commonly applied as might be expected. In this Special Issue, we will present a range of process-based models applied to tangible heritage objects and sites that have substantial potential or implications for heritage practice. The contributions should illustrate how the gap between heritage science and practice can be successfully bridged.

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