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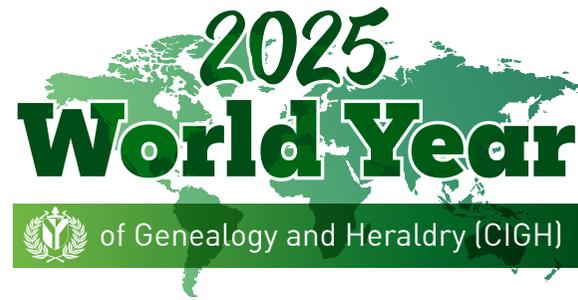
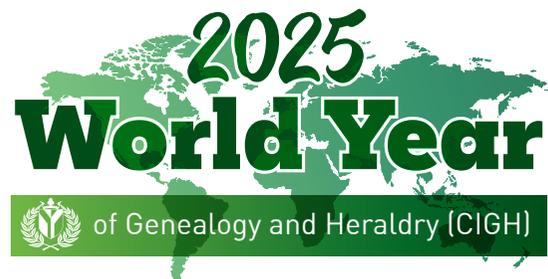
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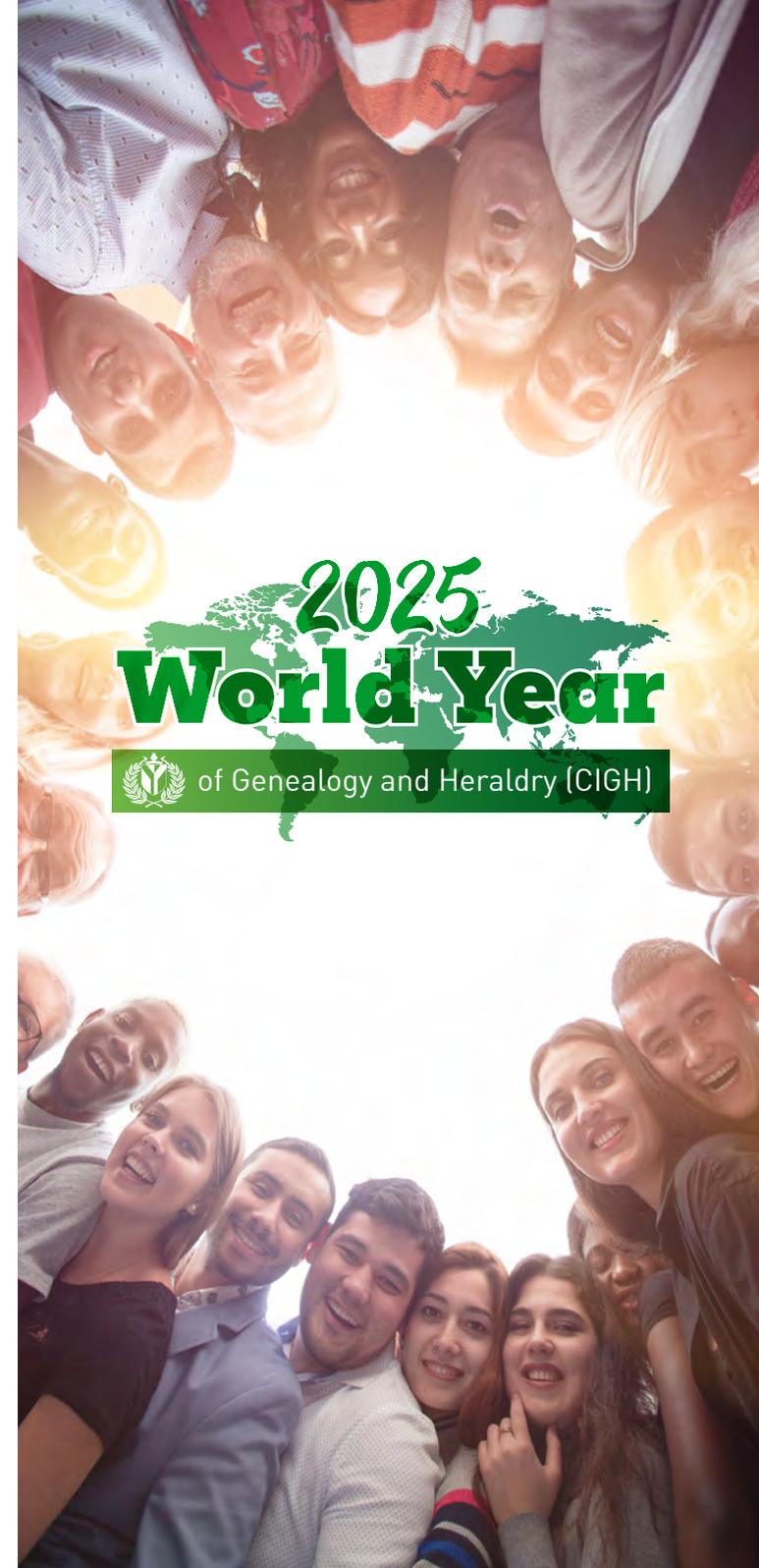
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World Year of Genealogy and Heraldry (CIGH) 2025

The World Year of Genealogy and Heraldry (CIGH) 2025 was declared at the 35th International Congress on genealogical and heraldic sciences on 17 August 2022 in Cambridge/UK by members of the Confédération Internationale de Généalogie et d' Héraldique (CIGH), supported by the Académie Internationale d' Héraldique (AIH) and the Académie Internationale de Généalogie (AIG). All these three international organisations are sisters in the fields of genealogy, and heraldry, and the CIGH is the umbrella of these.



The CIGH Assembly on 17 August 2022 in Cambridge

We all come from families, and we all belong to families. We call everyone for being part of the World Year of Genealogy and Heraldry. Please tell us all, who you are, where and how you are active in both of these areas.

Genealogy describes the world, genetics show the structure of mankind, and heraldry is a piece of art, describing relations in paintings. Genealogy and heraldry can be understood not only locally, but globally.

We want to build a global network. We want to build up connections with all active researchers, and to get in contact. We want to cross borders, for international exchange, and understanding.

Genealogists, and heraldists are taking responsibility for present, past and future, when it comes to preserving our common cultural heritage. By activities in 2025 we want to focus on the colourful activities of groups, associations, institutes, and logic partners like archives, libraries, and museums.

We are going public to inform about, and to present the structures of organized genealogy, and heraldry. At the same time we want to focus on, and to make more visible the most valuable research work and documentary on the field of genealogical-heraldic sciences.

We also want to call attention for the worldwide protection of sources, structures, institution, and publications. United under one logo and motto (connecting mankind as one family; giving our genealogy and heraldry future perspectives), we want to bundle all our common activities, connected by worldwide content.

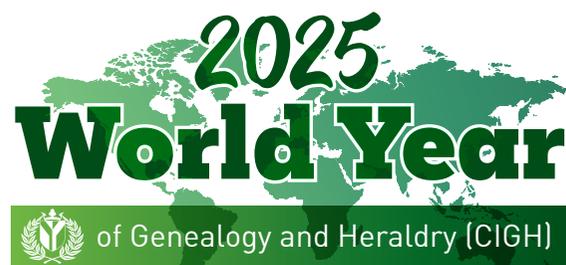
Our declaration of the World Year of Genealogy and Heraldry 2025 (CIGH) is calling for activities, from local, regional, national, to international, from individual to actions in groups, or any other form of organized activities. Like in a shop window in which everyone can show what you do, how you do, what projects you are conducting, and what support you are providing. WYGH is nothing less than a global common project.

This was never tried before in history, and we think it is time to get this whole global picture of genealogy and heraldry for the first time. We intend to save genealogy and heraldry after the regulations of the intangible world heritage by the UNESCO.

The logo shows the whole world with all continents. It will be provided in different languages so that it can be used in different countries.

“The World Year of Genealogy and Heraldry (CIGH) 2025 is a unique change to assemble all researchers in genealogy, and heraldry. Together we want to show the richness, depth and wideness of these two scientific areas, from local to global. We are one genealogical-heraldic world family!”

Dirk Weissleder



The official logo of the WYGH

The World Year will last from 1 January up to 31 December

2025, and will make it all 52 special weeks, focused on genealogy and heraldry on the international level. The WYGH is intended to call for the first time for awareness and activity, to show the richness, brilliance, quality, structures, resources, and activists, of fascinating worldwide genealogy, and heraldry, from local to global in its depth and wideness. We want to show and understand what does exist, and how genealogy and heraldry is done worldwide.

We are calling every association, institution, group, dealing with genealogy and heraldry, to present their work to the public audience, so that for the first time, we get an idea from what is researched, and documented from the very local to the international level. We want to make the research structures and results within these two sciences more visible, this global treasure must be in the conscious of mankind: From small pieces to very big artefacts.