Preface

In 1998 in the Czech Republic the Scientific and Technical Association for Building Rehabilitation and Monument Preservation was established as a regional group of WTA e.V. using the abbreviation. WTA CZ. The association has held a national conference with international participation every year for 14 years under the patronage of experts from research and development institutions devoted to the field of structural rehabilitation. Moreover, besides conferences WTA CZ also organises topical seminars and courses (including a course on 'Remediation of Moisture in Masonry'), which have a very positive impact on the "training" of individuals for the purpose of increasing their professional qualifications.

In 2012 the WTA CZ conference was renamed to CRRB 2012: the 14th Conference on the Rehabilitation and Reconstruction of Buildings, again featuring international participation, within which new trends and procedures in the field of building rehabilitation were discussed at the international level. The transfer of experience with the rehabilitation of structures and of knowledge regarding the behaviour of materials or the efficiency of methods used in this field was the main benefit for those taking part in this international conference. In addition, through personal participation authors were able to establish professional cooperation with other participants with regard to their further work or scientific development.

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