

# MASTER CLASS 3

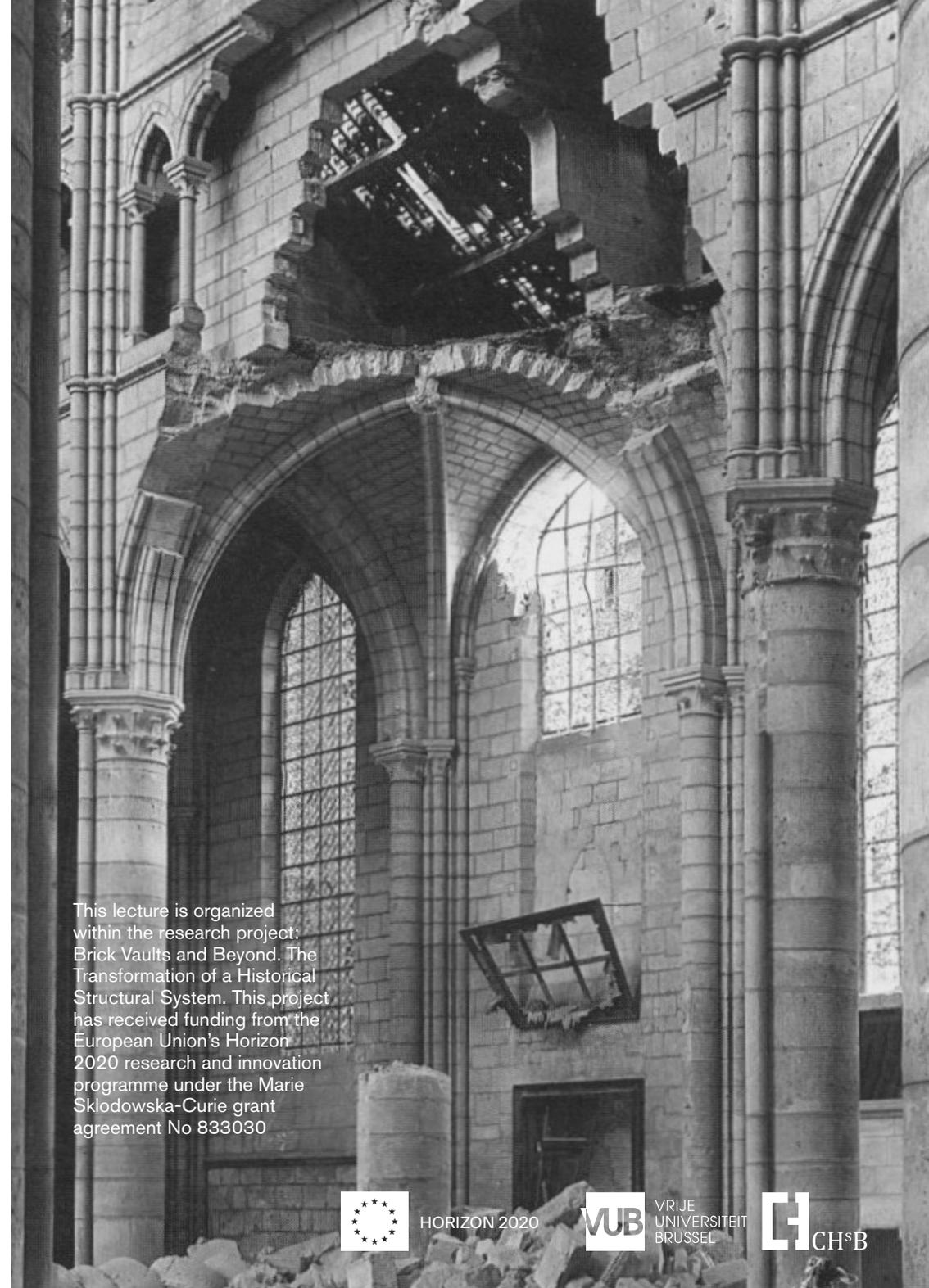
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### Ethics and materials

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Combining theoretical expertise with practical insights from his work as a consultant, Santiago will discuss the issue of Ethics and Materials. As masonry cannot resist tension, cracks can almost be considered as inherent to masonry structures. Nevertheless, more often than not, out of fear or due to ignorance, the discovery of cracks often leads to drastic interventions. Can we consider such unnecessary and costly interventions, which detract from the heritage value, to be ethical?

**Time** Thursday November 12, 3-4 PM  
**Platform** [Click here to open Zoom meeting](#)  
**Course** Theoretical Reflections on Monument Care



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