

China-collections at KADOC-KU Leuven

Roundtable Discussion on Digitization and
Curation of Missionary Collections in
Europe

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- **1. KADOC**

Documentation and Research Center on Religion, Culture and Society since 1750

Interfaculty Center of KU Leuven (°1976)

Heritage Institute recognized by the Flemish Community (°1985)

<https://kadoc.kuleuven.be/english/index>

- **2. China-collections**

- Archives
- Library
- Audio-visual
- (no museum objects)

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Heritage institute : 5 functions

- Collect (de)selection
- Preserve
- Research
- Presentation (public-oriented)
- Participation



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China-collections : archives

- Religious institutes with missionary activities in China
e.g. *Jesuits*

[BE/942855 Archieven Jezüieten \(SJ\) - Belgische \(1832-1935\) en Vlaamse \(1935-\) Provincie, 16. c.-2012 \(Archief\) \(lias.be\)](#)

Franciscans

[BE/942855 Archieven Minderbroeders \(OFM\)- Vlaamse Provincie Sint-Jozef, 13. c.-21. c. \(Archief\) \(lias.be\)](#)

- Missionary congregations (CICM...) “China”

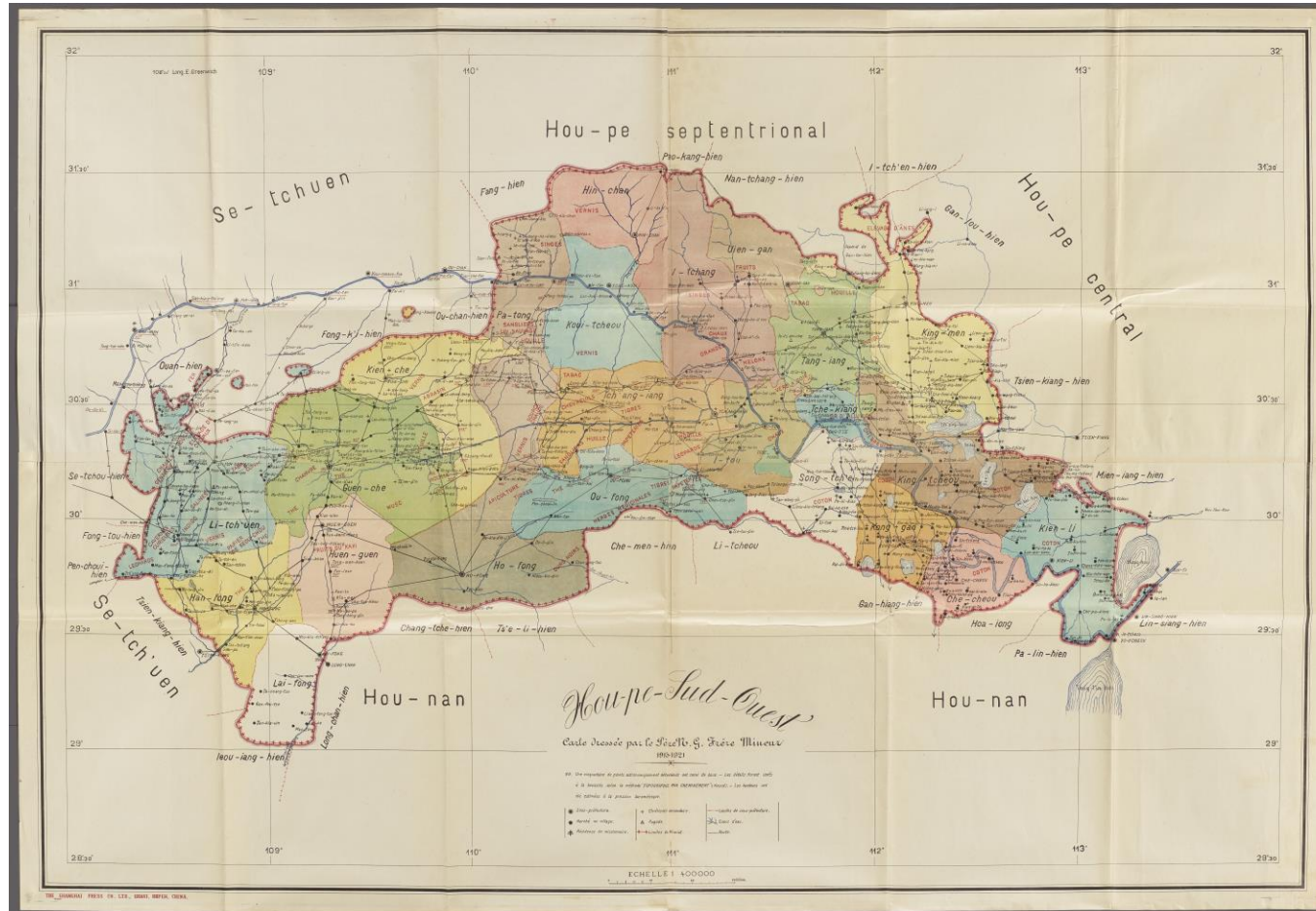
[BE/942855 Archieven Scheutisten \(CICM\), 17. c. \(c\)-30. c. \(Archief\) \(lias.be\)](#)

e.g. *CICM*

*“collection of geographical maps” (1840-1965)
(digitized, open access)*

- Vatican archives
e.g. *files on China*

Geographical maps



- [-] 📁 Archieven Oblaten van de Onbevleete Maagd Maria (OMI) - Provinciaal (1857-2007)
- + 📁 Archieven Passionisten (CP) - Provincie Sint-Gabriël (1391 (c)-2013)
- + 📁 Archieven Priesters van het Heilig Hart van Jezus (SCJ) - Belgisch-Luxemburgse (1930-1954) en Vlaamse Provincie (1954-) (19. c.-2012)
- + 📁 Archieven Redemptoristen (Csr) - Noord-Belgische Provincie (1574-2010)
- [-] 📁 Archieven Scheutisten (CICM) (17. c. (c)-30. c.)
 - + 📁 Archief Scheutisten - Generaalat (1862-1967)
 - + 📁 Archief Scheutisten - Provincie België-Nederland (1872-2017)
 - + 📁 Archives Scheutistes - Province Belge Méridionale (1934-2009)
 - + 📁 Filmcollectie Scheut (1945-1960)
 - [-] 📁 Geographical Maps Scheut (1840-1965)
 - [-] 📁 I. China / Binnen Mongolië
 - + 📁 **I.1. General Maps**
 - + 📁 I.2. Manchuria
 - + 📁 I.3. Peking / Provincie Chihli
 - + 📁 I.4. Binnen Mongolië
 - + 📁 I.5. Ta Tung (Da Tong)
 - + 📁 I.6. Siwantse
 - + 📁 I.7. Ningsia (Ninghia, Ningxia)
 - + 📁 I.8. Soei-Yuan (Sui Yuen)
 - + 📁 I.9. Tchagar
 - + 📁 I.10. Tsining
 - + 📁 I.11. Kansou
 - + 📁 I.12. Jehol
 - + 📁 I.13. Cartes Japonaises de la Mongolie orientale (J. Van Hecken) (s. d. (sine dato))
 - + 📁 I.14. Asie, Chine, Mongolie, Japon, Grande Muraille (s. d. (sine dato))
 - + 📁 I.15. Chemin de fer Peking-Hankow. Mongolie Extérieure (1888-1905)
 - + 📁 I.16. Mongolie Centrale (1902-1903)
 - + 📁 I.17. Mongolie Orientale (1907/08/20-1932)
 - + 📁 I.18. Mongolie Sud Ouest (Ortos) (1875-1982)
 - + 📁 I.19. Varia

China-collections : heritage library

- “Grey literature” (= primary sources)

publications, brochures, pamphlets, periodicals

e.g. missionary periodicals (Western audience/Chinese audience)

e.g. schoolbooks (Chinese)

e.g. liturgical publications (Latin, Chinese)

e.g. collection of Children’s books (“Uit Verre Landen”)

- Scientific publications

e.g. missiological weeks of Leuven (1923-1960)

e.g. scripta-collection CICM fathers

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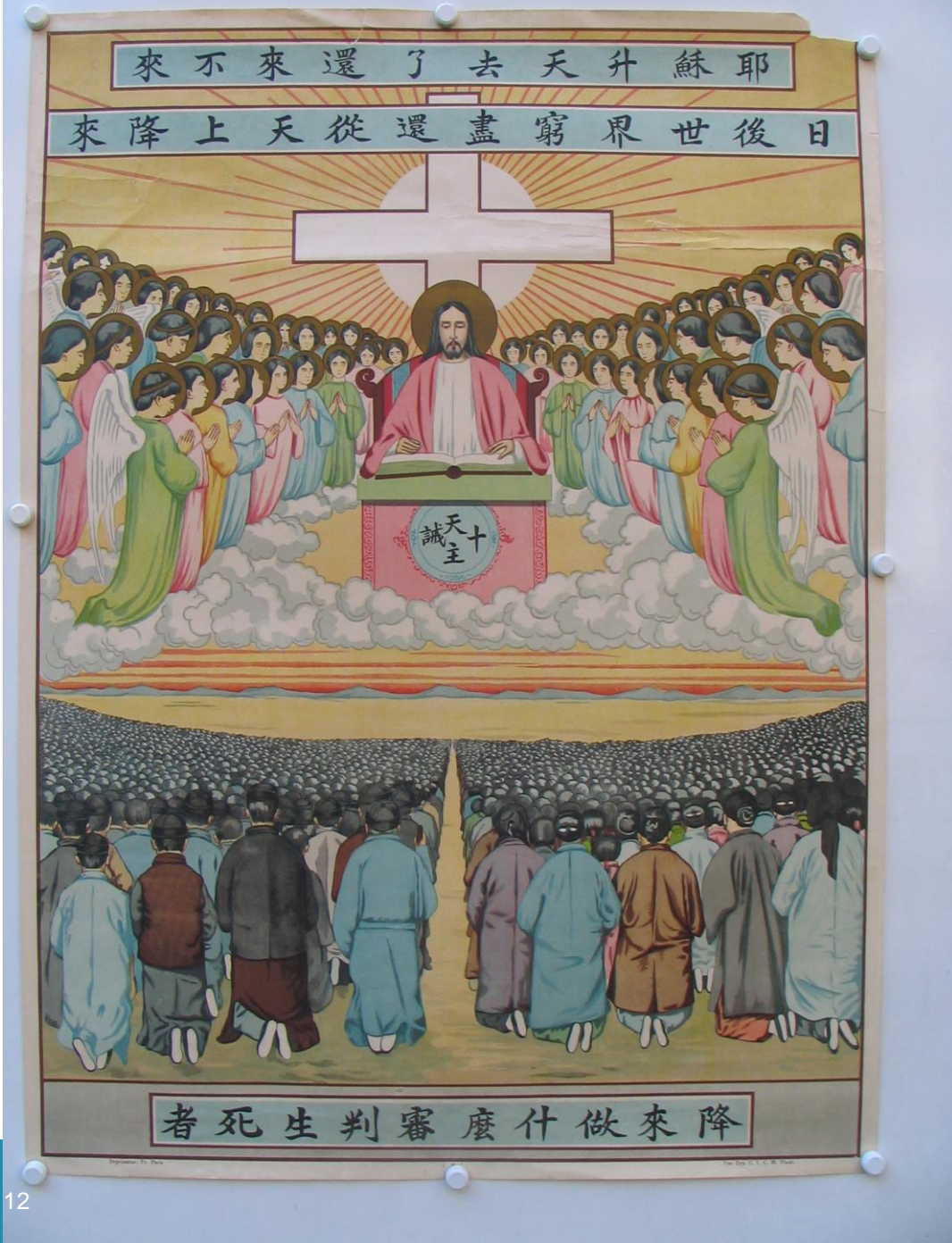
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China-collections : audio-visual

- Visual archives connected religious/missionary institutions
 - e.g. Pictures*
 - e.g. Albums*
 - e.g. Catechetical wall chart collection (Van Dyck cicm) (link next slide)*
 - e.g. Magic Lantern collection*
 - e.g. Filmcollection (e.g. Pareltje Wang)*
- Independent collections
 - e.g. Oral History Collection Belgian China missionaries (1986)*
[BE/942855/7 Verzameling interviews met Chinamissionarissen, 1985-1987 \(Archief\) \(lias.be\)](#)
 - e.g. Poster collection*
 - e.g. Devotional print collection*



<http://abs.lias.be/Query/detail.aspx?id=974067>

China-collections: KADOC-based class

Selection of the records with links

- **Album *Construction railway Hankou-Beijing (China)*, 1900-1902**
Description and digital copy in [LIMO KFD2505 D](#)
- **Album *Jozef and Albert Segers c.i.c.m.*, 1918**
(on the re-enactment of a martyr in 1900)
Description in [LIMO](#)
Digital copy in [LIAS BE/942855/1489/18.3.4.](#)
- **Album on the missionary activities of the Belgian Friars in South-West Hubei province (ca. 1880-ca. 1920)**
Description in [LIMO](#)
Digital copy in [LIAS BE/942855/1612/1631](#)

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- Characteristics
 - Extensiveness
 - Richness (multiperspectivity)
 - Diversity (content, language..)
 - Relevance (masterpiece-collection)
 - Sensitive issues
- Challenges & opportunities
 - Administration
 - Contextualization
 - Digitization
 - Shared heritage
 - Presentation