

Announcement & call for papers

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Dear Colleagues,

The International research group "Textiles from the Nile Valley" is going to prepare its 9th conference. We are pleased to announce that Karine and Fernand Huts will host us again at "HeadquARTers" in the heart of their business centre Katoen Natie, Van Aerdtstraat 33, 2060 Antwerp, Belgium. The conference will take place from **Friday 27th to Sunday 29th November 2015,** starting with a reception and walking dinner on Friday evening.

The 2015-conference will focus on textiles from excavations. Contributions about recent finds and unpublished or lesser known material from former excavations in museums' stockings are most welcome. Also the methods of recording, preservation, conservation and storage *in situ* can be discussed.

As usually, you are also invited to present a paper about your individual research project on textiles in general. Contributions – preferably in English, 20 minutes + 10 minutes discussion – should be based on material from Egypt of the 1st millennium approximately. References and comparisons to neighbouring countries of the Mediterranean and the Near East are appreciated.

Those of you who wish to give a paper in Antwerp are kindly requested to contact us as soon as possible, preferably until the **end of April 2015**.

For all those who would like to participate without giving a paper: Please, inform us about your participation at the latest until **31 July 2015**. Registration starts now.

During the conference you will have the opportunity to visit the textile galleries in HeadquARTers.

For information about a hotel for your stay please see below this letter. Please note that unfortunately travel expenses cannot be covered.

We would be happy to welcome you in Antwerp and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, in which we hopefully meet again.

Yours faithfully,

Antoine de Moor Cäcilia Fluck

Accomodation:

You can book the following hotel for a reduced price during your stay at Antwerp. For this, please contact Katoen Natie: Travel@katoennatie.com, mail: Katoen Natie, Travel, Van Aerdtstraat 33, B-2060 Antwerp, phone: 0032-3-2216823 or 0032-3-2216825. If you prefer to stay elsewhere, please arrange your own booking.

• Holiday Inn Express (close to Katoen Natie) 88 € per night/room, incl. breakfast