

CIRCULAR LETTER

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Dear Colleagues,

The "Textiles from the Nile Valley" conference is coming close – time to provide you with some information and to send an updated programme which you will find at the end of this letter.

On the evening of Friday 27th October 2017 at 18.30 h before the conference starts, a reception and a light meal will be offered by our host at the HeadquArters Galleries, Van Aerdtstraat 33, B-2060 Antwerp.

The conference will take place from Saturday 28th to Sunday 29th October 2017 at HeadquARTers. This year's main topic is dedicated to "Textile interrelationships in the 1st millennium AD – Egypt as a textile hub". We are delighted that many of you followed our invitation to give a talk. Speakers are kindly requested to confirm their title and participation until **24**th **September**. Your abstracts – if not sent yet – are appreciated until then as well. Please keep in mind that speaking time is limited to **15-20 minutes**. Please don't overrun speaking time because of the dense schedule. Technical equipment for powerpoint presentations as well as overhead projectors will be at disposal. Please, let us know in advance which equipment you prefer. All speakers are kindly requested to bring their powerpoint presentations (USB-stick, CD, DVD ...), photos, handouts etc. before or to the opening reception on Friday, 27th October. If you have a special need concerning the technical equipment, please let us know!

Paul De Loose kindly reserved tables for an optional dinner on Saturday evening (28th October) in a nearby restaurant. If you would like to join, please let us know by **30th September** at the latest. Expenses for the dinner (50.00 € incl. drinks) are on your own. A menu is attached to this letter where you can choose (please highlighten or cross out!) your menu. Please return this sheet or give us your choice per email to your earliest convenience. Thank you!

In case you prefer to dine separately on Saturday night, please be aware that many events are taking place in Antwerp that weekend and therefore it might be difficult to find a place in a restaurant. In most restaurants reservation is needed.

There will be a book-table during the conference where participants can lay out information or show recent publications on textile research.

During the breaks and after the final communication on Saturday, 28th October, there will be time to visit the Katoen Natie Textile Galleries.

For those of you who would like to stay in the Holiday Inn Hotel and did not contact Katoen Natie's travel bureau yet, please contact Travel@katoennatie.com, mail: Katoen Natie, Travel, Van Aerdtstraat 33, B-2060 Antwerp, phone: 0032-3-2216823 or 0032-3-2216825 at your earliest convenience.

For any further questions do not hesitate to contact one of the undersigned.

We are looking forward to meet you in Antwerp and wish you a pleasant stay.

Sincerely, Yours

Antoine de Moor Caecilia Fluck Petra Linscheid

PROGRAMME AND FURTHER INFORMATION FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGES !!!

10th Textiles from the Nile Valley conference October 27-29, 2017

Preliminary programme

Friday, 27.10.2017

18.30 Registration and reception at Katoen Natie

Saturday, 28.10.2017

9.00	Registration
9.15	Welcome by Antoine De Moor
Chair: NN	
9.20	North African Relationships: Textiles from the Nile Valley and the Sahara LISE BENDER-JØRGENSEN
9.40	Seide aus Andalusien in ägyptischen Gräbern im Faijum GISELA HELMECKE
10.00	Hellenistic and near Eastern influences on the style and iconography of the "Coptic" tapestries OLGA OSHARINA
10.20	Some remarks on so-called "Sassanian influenced" Egyptian textiles: a case of Deir al-Banat ELENA TOLMACHEVA and OLGA ORFINSKAYA
10.40	Discussion
11.00	Coffee/Tea

Chair: NN		
11.30	Foreign influences on the textiles from burials at Antaeopolis/Qau el-Kebir dating to the $6^{\rm th}$ and $7^{\rm th}$ centuries FRANCES PRITCHARD	
11.50	Tying the Roman Empire together: The appropriation of clavi in Egypt and the Eastern Mediterranean TINEKE ROOIJAKKERS	
12.10	Nubian textiles: craft, trade, costume and identity in the medieval kingdom of Makuria MAGDALENA WOZNIAK	
12.30	Discussion	
12.50	lunch break (snack at Katoen Natie)	
Continue: Textile interrelationships in the 1st millennium AD – Egypt as a textile hub		
Chair: NN		
14.00	Karanis texts on textile production: interrelationships in the Roman world INES BOGENSPERGER and JULIA GALLIKER	
14.20	Sprang in daily life: Karanis and beyond CAROL JAMES and JULIA GALLIKER	
14.40	Brocaded bands with geometric design ALEXANDRA PLESA	
Textiles in archaeological context		
15.00	Tiraz textiles in archaeological context: some considerations on medieval Islamic burial practice at the Deir al-Banat necropolis ALEXEY KROL and ELENA TOLMACHEVA	
15.20	Discussion	
15.40	Coffee/tea	

Textiles from (pre-)dynastic Egypt

Chair: NN	
16.10	From "weft fringes" to "supplementary weft fringes": Thoughts and discussion on weaving evolution in Egyptian textiles (pre-dynastic times to the Middle Kingdom) EMILIA CORTÈS
16.30	New discoveries on pleated textiles of the Pharaonic period MATHILDE BORLA and CINZIA OLIVA
16.50	Textiles in the Beni-Hasan-paintings GLENNDA MARSH-LETTS
17.10	Egyptian textiles, Midgley and Bolton Museum – exploring a valuable pre- and early dynastic collection ALISTAIR DICKEY
17.30	Discussion

Sunday, 29.10.2017

From collections

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Chair: NN		
9.00	"Coptic" textiles in the early period DOAA BAHEY	
9.20	Textiles du musée du Louvre, départements des antiquités égyptiennes: actualité et travaux en cours DOMINIQUE BÉNAZETH	
9.40	Late Antique textiles from Egypt in the collection of the National Museum Ljubljana JAN CIGLENECKI	
10.00	Textiles from Polish collections ANNA GLOWA	
10.20	Textiles from Egypt's first century AD in Danish museum collections ANNE HEDEAGER KRAG	
10.40	Discussion	

11.00	Coffee/tea
11.30	A tunic from the Allard Pierson Museum and parallels ANNE KWASPEN
11.50	Hans Vogel collection in Chemnitz – a textile research project BIANCA TUDOR
12.10	Textiles from Late Antique Egypt in the Kunstgewerbemuseum, Berlin CHRISTINE WAIDENSCHLAGER
12.30	Textiles in the Field collection, Chicago BETSY WILLIAMS

Textiles and dyes

12.50 Seeing textiles in a different light: A multispectral integrated approach to the study of Late Antique textiles from Egypt

JOANNE DYER

13.10 Final discussion and farewell

Poster: SARAH HITCHENS (Liverpool)

How to get to Katoen Natie, HeadquARTers, Van Aerdtstraat 33, B-2060 Antwerpen

By plane:

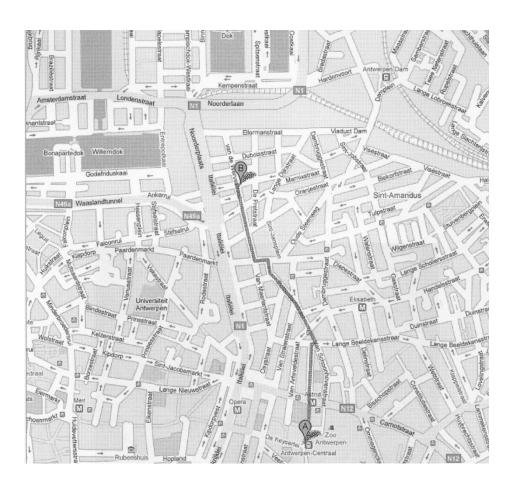
From Brussels Airport \rightarrow train to Brussels Nord \rightarrow from there trains to Antwerp Centraal depart c. every half hour. The trip is about 40-50 minutes.

By train:

Trains to Antwerp Centraal depart from all major stations at Brussels (Midi, Central and Nord) every half hour (40-50 min)

From Antwerp Centraal you can

- take a taxi
- a bus no 1 and 13 ("Rijnkaai"), walk from the station along Keyserlei to Italielei, the righthand to the opera, there is the bus stop, descend at the 2^{nd} stop
- or walk (about 20 min) to Katoen Natie



Restaurant 'De Natie' - Menu, 28th October 2017



The menu is priced at 50 EUR per person, and includes a glass of sparkling wine, 2 glasses of wine, water and coffee/tea.