

Announcement & call for papers March 2021

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Dear Colleagues,

The International research group "Textiles from the Nile Valley" is preparing its next conference for autumn 2021. 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 – if the pandemic will allow. The conference will take place from **Friday 12th to Sunday 14th November 2021** starting with a reception and walking dinner on Friday evening.

The main topic of the 2021-conference will be "**Dress – continuity and change**" – as usually based on the material evidence from Egypt and neighbouring countries. Papers about the various types of dresses, their techniques, decorations, depictions of dressing, ethnic and religious backgrounds, radiocarbon-dating etc. are most welcome. Contributions of 20 minutes + 10 minutes discussion are appreciated.

As usual, you are also invited to present a paper about your individual research project on textiles from Egypt and its neighbours in general.

Those of you who wish to give a paper in Antwerp are kindly requested to contact us as soon as possible, preferably by the **end of May 2021.**

For all those who would like to participate without giving a paper: please inform us about your participation by the **end of September 2021** at the latest.

Registration starts now! A conference fee is NOT charged. A choice of reasonably priced hotels for your stay will be provided in the next info-letter. Please note that, unfortunately, travel expenses cannot be covered.

For those who do not wish or are not able to travel during these times, we offer the possibility to participate in the conference via live-stream, both as a speaker and as a listener. For our calculation, please let us know your preference.

We would be happy to welcome you in Antwerp and are looking forward to hearing from you soon. Please feel free to forward this letter to interested people and to contact us if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

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