



The Dark Age of the Lowlands in an interdisciplinary light

People, landscape and climate in the Netherlands between AD 300 and 1000

Symposium 28 October 2014: first results and wider context

Cultural Heritage Agency of the Netherlands (RCE), Smallepad 5, Amersfoort (NL)

Program



- 9.00 Welcome**
- 9.15 *Vegetation development and climate change in the Netherlands during the Early Middle Ages* (Marjolein Gouw-Bouman; PhD student, Utrecht University)
- 9.40 *Delta and coastal development in the Netherlands during the Early Middle Ages* (Harm Jan Pierik; PhD student, Utrecht University)
- 10.05 *Searching for route-networks: using landscape archaeology to model probable Roman and early-medieval routes in the Netherlands* (Rowin van Lanen; PhD student, Utrecht University & RCE)
- 10.30 Break**
- 11.00 *Early medieval traces in 21st century landscapes* (Prof. dr. Hans Renes; Utrecht University & Free University Amsterdam)
- 11.30 *Interactions between geology, palaeo-environmental reconstructions and archaeology in the coastal landscape of the Netherlands: methodological aspects demonstrated in case studies* (Peter Vos; Deltares)
- 12.00 *Man and landscape in the eastern Netherlands: new insights and research perspectives derived from interdisciplinary case studies* (Dr. Roy van Beek; Leiden University)
- 12.30 Lunch**
- 13.30 *Retrospective analysis of ownership rights as a tool for the reconstruction of medieval reclamations in the Eastern and Northern Netherlands: integration of archaeology and historical geography* (Prof. dr. ir. Theo Spek; University of Groningen)
- 14.00 *Medieval Bruges and its outer ports. A landscape-archaeological contribution to the Zwin debate.* (Jan Trachet; Ghent University)
- 14.30 *Human activity – the main factor in vegetation and landscape change? A palaeoecological perspective* (Dr. Felix Bittmann; Lower Saxony Institute for Historical Coastal Research)
- 15.00 Break**
- 15.30 *Multi-decadal to centennial scale temperature and precipitation variability in Europe during the last two millennia* (Fredrik Ljungqvist; Stockholm University)
- 16.00 Discussion
- 17.00 Drinks**



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