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**68th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale
Leiden, 17–20 July 2023
Third Circular**

It is our pleasure to provide you with the latest news about the 68th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale, to be held at Leiden from Monday 17 to Thursday 20 July 2023.

Registration

On Sunday afternoon (16 July) registration will start at 1 pm in the National Museum of Antiquities (RMO, Leemanszaal) on Rapenburg 28. The desk will close at 4 pm. From Monday morning onwards, the registration desk will be located in the Lipsius building of the Humanities Campus (Cleveringaplaats 1), the main venue of the RAI68. The desk will open on Monday morning at 8 am. If you plan to pay your registration fee in cash, we kindly ask you to bring the correct amount. Note that the registration fee will go up after 30 June.

	until 30 June	from 1 July
IAA member	€170	€190
IAA student	€70	€90
regular (non-IAA)	€200	€220
student (non-IAA)	€80	€100
accompanying person	€80	€100

Venue

All lectures and workshops will take place in the Lipsius building, except for the round table with keynote speakers on Monday afternoon, which will be held in the Leemanszaal of the National Museum of Antiquities. The lecture halls are located on the ground floor and first floor of the Lipsius building. The first floor is accessible by elevator. The book stalls of publishers and the poster hall will be located on the ground floor of the Lipsius building. Our office will be located on the second floor of the Lipsius building (room 201).

Remote attendance

Most sessions will be livestreamed for remote attendants, free of charge. Registration is mandatory via this [link](#).

RAI68

<https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/rai68>

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General Meeting of the IAA

The general meeting of the *International Association of Assyriology* will take place on Wednesday 19 July at 16:30 (Lipsius 019).

Social events

There will be an opening reception sponsored by Peeters Publishers at the Museum of Antiquities on Monday evening and a dinner with party on Thursday evening and night. With your conference badge, you enjoy free entrance to the Museum of Antiquities (from Sunday to Friday). The NINO organises a tour of the Böhl collection during the lunch break of Wednesday 19 July. Please register by sending an e-mail to Willemijn Waal, NINO Director (w.j.i.waal@hum.leidenuniv.nl).

Are you attending the RAI with children in tow?

There is a playground (of the stone-and-concrete type) near the venue. It is conveniently located next to the outside seating area of restaurant Tabu (Rembrandtstraat 27). A much nicer playground with lots of green is located at 5 minutes walk from the venue (Oud-Hortuszicht, next to Witte Singel 58). Mind the canal! There is also a public ping-pong table in the neighbourhood (Trekschuihof). If you want to let your kids cool off on a warm day, we recommend the water [playground](#) in Cronensteyn park, or the outdoor swimming pool at [De Vliet](#). There is a children's [exhibition](#) at the National Museum of Antiquities. For teenagers, the [Boerhaave](#) museum (history of science) is interesting, for younger kids we recommend [Naturalis](#) (natural history). Looking for a babysitter? Sitly.com is popular among parents in Leiden.

Explore Leiden

Visit our tourist [website](#) for tips on how to explore the city of Leiden.

Excursions

A nice excursion with or without kids is taking the [boat](#) along the (old) Rhine and the Roman limes to Katwijk for a day on the beach. Or you can rent a [sup](#) board or a [boat](#) and explore Leiden's canals.

[Bikes](#) are available for rent from the train station. The cities of Amsterdam, The Hague, Delft, Rotterdam and Utrecht are all within a 15 to 50 minute train ride from Leiden.

Getting around

Information on how to get from A to B can be found here: <https://9292.nl/>.

A summer of conferences in Leiden

In addition to the RAI68, Leiden University hosts two more international conferences in the summer of 2023 that may be of interest to you. The 13th [International Conference of Egyptology](#) takes place from 6 to 11 August and the 10th [European Conference of Iranian Studies](#) takes place from 21 to 25 August.

Contact

Do not hesitate to contact us via e-mail (rai68@hum.leidenuniv.nl) if you have questions. We are happy to help.

See you soon in Leiden,

The organizing committee

Leiden, 17 June 2023