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NEW* **LECTURE: LUCDH lunchtime speaker series (#5)**

Date: Wednesday, **4 March 12:00** (noon) – 13:00
Location: Johan Huizinga, Doelensteeg 16, 2311 VL Leiden
Room: Conference Room
Info: Dr. Lotte Fikkers

"Unopened Manuscripts: Making the Unreadable Readable"

The National Archives in Kew, the UK, is home to a series of unopened early modern manuscripts catalogued as "WARD 16". These manuscripts relate to the Court of Wards and Liveries, a London-based court of law that was of vital importance in early modern England. We know relatively little about this institution, however, because most of its records have not withstood the test of time. "WARD 16" could help to fill this void, but to open the manuscripts would mean disrupting their materiality.

In this lecture, Dr Fikkers will discuss the area of tension between getting access to the contents of locked manuscripts and preserving their materiality. She will also present the preliminary results of the attempts to digitize the "WARD 16" records without disruption. By combining X-ray tomography (a technique developed at the Dentistry Department at Queen Mary University of London) and computational unfolding, it is possible to make the unreadable readable.

SMALL GRANTS – 6 new projects will be awarded an LUCDH Small Grant in support of digital humanities research – see https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/humanities/centre-for-digital-humanities/projects/small-grant-projects for further details of 2020 awards (soon to be announced).

Upcoming deadline! **CALL FOR PAPERS: DH Benelux 2020, 3-5 June, Leiden**

Deadline for submitting abstracts: **Monday 2 March (23:59 CET)**

The 7th DH Benelux Conference will take place on **3-5 June 2020 at Leiden University** in the Netherlands. DH Benelux is an initiative that aims to further the collaboration between Digital Humanities activities in Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

The call is open to all colleagues working in the humanities, the (social) sciences and heritage sectors with an interest and enthusiasm in the application and use of digital technologies. Submissions are welcome from researchers at all career stages. We particularly encourage early stage researchers (MA/PhD students and postdoctoral researchers) to submit abstracts. In addition, we welcome humanities scholars, developers, computer and information scientists as well as librarians, archivists and museum curators. The conference has a primary focus on recent advances concerning research activities in the Benelux as well as data- or research projects related to Belgium, The Netherlands, and Luxembourg. However, proposals from outside the Benelux are strongly encouraged as well.

Full information at: http://2020.dhbenelux.org/2020/01/10/call-for-papers-dh-benelux-2020-3-5-june-leiden/

OTHER NEWS:

VACANCY: Fulltime, 100% tenure track, Assistant Professorship

At the University KU Leuven (Belgium) we are looking for a Language Technologist with expertise in Artificial Intelligence – within the Department of Linguistics.
For more information please contact: Prof. dr. Geert Brône, Tel.: +32 3 502 15 16; Email: geert.brone@kuleuven.be.
For any issues with online applying, please contact solliciteren@kuleuven.be .

You can apply for this job no later than **February 28, 2020** via the online application tool: https://www.kuleuven.be/personeel/jobsite/jobs/55501283?hl=en&lang=en&fbclid=IwAR3na8yGM565kHPnVWu5l6JtQ-BwA1Avjs7coR8In90zQWYOpGj6ay48f80

SYMPOSIUM: 360 Degrees of Data Science (Waiting List for registration)

Date: **Friday, 6 March 9:30 – 16:30 hrs**
Location: PLNT, Langegracht 70, 2312 NV Leiden
Further info: https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/events/2020/03/360-degrees-of-data-science

On the 6th of March 2020, the 360 Degrees of Data Science symposium will be held for the first time. This free one-day symposium will showcase applications of data science in novel domains.

The two keynotes of the day will be:
Janina Rannikko of the University of Helsinki on: Data science for understanding evolution.
Stefania Giodini of the Red Cross on: Data science for disaster response

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CALL FOR PAPERS: deadline 15 March 2020
Summer School 'Methodology in the History of Philosophy'

Date: **6 – 9 July 2020;**
Location: Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (RUG), The Netherlands
Website   https://www.rug.nl/education/summer-winter-schools/methodology-in-the-history-of-philosophy/
Email: Questions should be directed to: summerschoolphilosophy@rug.nl .