

# LUCIS Summer school 2022

## Philology and Manuscripts from the Muslim World

### [Preliminary] Programme

*Afternoons are reserved for individual work in the Special Collections Reading Room.*

#### **Tuesday, August 23**

- 8.30 Collect your LU-card at the entrance of the University Library.  
9.00-9.15 Opening.  
9.15 -11.00 *Exploring and editing manuscripts*, Dorrit van Dalen.  
11.00-11.45 Introduction to the Library.  
  
12.00-14.00 Lunch, Clusiuscafé.  
  
14.15-16.00 *Highlights of the Leiden Oriental Manuscript Collection*, Arnoud Vrolijk.  
16.00-17.00 Try to place first request for manuscript you wish to work with for a mini-edition.

#### **Wednesday, August 24**

- 9.15 -11.00 *Transmission and variance*, Dorrit van Dalen.  
11.15- 13.00 *The manuscript culture of Iberian Muslims*, Monica Colóminas Aparicio.

#### **Thursday, August 25**

- 9.15-11.00 Practice palaeography, Dorrit van Dalen.  
11.15-13.00 *Persian manuscripts*, Gabrielle van den Berg.

#### **Friday, August 26**

- 9.15 -10.00 Students present manuscripts of their choice.  
10.15 - 11.00 *Colophons*, Dorrit van Dalen.  
11.15-13.00 *Manuscripts from the Mughal empire*, Said Reza Husseini.

#### **Sunday, August 28**

- 14.00-16.00 Boatrip.

#### **Monday, August 29**

- 9.00-11.00 *Coptic manuscripts*, Eline Scheerlinck.  
11.15-13.00 *Reading waqf notes*, Angela Isoldi.

#### **Tuesday, August 30**

- 9.00-11.00 *Commentary tradition and digital analysis*, Cornelis van Lit.  
11.15-13.00 *The Text Encoding Initiative*, Yasmin Faghihi.

- 18.00 Dinner invitation LUCIS.

#### **Wednesday, August 31**

- 9.00-11.00 *Swahili manuscripts. Reading and editing 'ajamī literatures from East Africa*. Annachiara Raia.  
11.15-13.00 *The Golinus collection of manuscripts in the sciences (includes workshop reading numbers in the abjad system)*, prof. dr. Jan Hogendijk.

#### **Thursday, September 1**

- 9.00-11.00 *Arabic papyri*, Fokelien Kootstra.  
11.15-13.00 *Reading the Quran from manuscripts*, Marijn van Putten.

#### **Friday, September 2**

- 9.00-12.30 Students present their mini-editions.  
13.00 Certificates, closure.

## About the instructors

[Prof. dr Gabrielle van den Berg](#) is an expert of the cultural history of Central Asia and Iran at Leiden University. She works with Persian manuscript, in particular of the Shahnama tradition, in the framework of several research projects.

[Dr Mònica Colominas Aparicio](#) holds a research fellowship at Groningen University where she works on literary products of the Muslim minority (Mudejar) in the late-medieval and early-modern Christian territories of the Iberian Peninsula. She has extensive experience with manuscripts in Arabic, Aljamiado (Spanish in Arabic characters) and Spanish.

Dr Dorrit van Dalen initiated and co-edited the online course on manuscripts from the Muslim world [Mouse&Manuscript](#). Her other research is based on Arabic manuscripts from West and Central Africa.

[Yasmin Faghihi](#) is head of the Near and Middle Eastern Department of the Cambridge University Library. She co-founded the [Fihrist](#) project and is a passionate advocate of the Text Encoding Initiative.

[Prof. dr Jan Hogendijk](#) is emeritus professor (Utrecht University) of the History of science. He has great expertise of Arabic texts on mathematics, philosophy and astronomy.

[Saïd Reza Huseini](#) is a Ph.D candidate at Leiden University. His research on the Early Islamic Conquests of Bactria/Tukharistan is based on Bactrian, Arabic, Sogdian and Middle Persian documents. He is also passionate about manuscripts from the Mughal Empire as sources for its political ideology, and as beautiful artefacts.

[Angela Isoldi](#) works (at the Radboud University, Nijmegen) with manuscript sources from Egypt - such as endowments, contracts as well as inscriptions - for a dissertation on water management in Mamluk Cairo. She just spent six months in the *Dār al-kutub*.

[Dr Fokelien Kootstra](#) is a historical linguist. She looks at Arabic papyri to contribute to the Leiden ERC project "Embedding Conquest" on the rapid formation of the Islamic empire between 600 and 1000 AD.

Dr Cornelis van Lit [develops digital methods](#) and data analysis for historical research, which he applies to Arabic texts from the Muslim world. He is also a specialist of late-medieval Islamic philosophy.

Dr Marijn van Putten is an [expert on very early Qurʿan manuscripts](#). In 2022 he received an ERC grant for research on the recitation of the Qurʿan before its codification.

[Dr Annachiara Raia](#) is a university lecturer of African literature at Leiden University. She is especially interested in Swahili Muslim literature and is co-editing a volume of 18<sup>th</sup> century songs and dialogue poetry recorded in manuscript.

[Dr Eline Scheerlinck](#) works with Greek, Coptic and Demotic papyri to about tax-evasion by the poor and the role of local elites in the formation of the early Islamic state in Egypt.

Dr Arnoud Vrolijk is Curator of Oriental Manuscripts & Rare Books and Interpreter Legati Warneriani at Leiden University Libraries. He has [published extensively](#) on the Leiden collections and the history of oriental scholarship in the Netherlands. His latest monograph, together with Dr Luitgard Mols, is *Western Arabia in the Leiden Collections: Traces of a Colourful Past*.