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The XIII<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Egyptologists

## Second Circular

Dear colleagues,

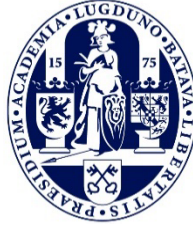
On behalf of the Organising Committee, we thank you for your kind responses to the First Circular of the XIII<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Egyptologists and the many wonderful abstracts we have received from colleagues all over the world. This Second Circular includes updated and additional information about the preliminary programme, peer reviewed abstracts, poster guidelines, registration, fees and payment methods, special hotel rates, visa applications and important dates.

### Supporting Institutions



International Association  
of Egyptologists

[www.iae-egyptology.org](http://www.iae-egyptology.org)



Leiden University  
(Universiteit Leiden)

[www.universiteitleiden.nl/en](http://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en)



National Museum of Antiquities  
(Rijksmuseum van Oudheden)

[www.rmo.nl/en](http://www.rmo.nl/en)



The Netherlands Institute  
for the Near East

[www.nino-leiden.nl](http://www.nino-leiden.nl)



Leiden Papyrological Institute  
[www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/humanities/papyrological-institute](http://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/humanities/papyrological-institute)



Leiden Institute for Area Studies  
[www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/humanities/institute-for-area-studies](http://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/humanities/institute-for-area-studies)



## Partners

- Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo (NVIC) [www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/nvic](http://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/nvic)
- Textile Research Centre (TRC) [www.trc-leiden.nl](http://www.trc-leiden.nl)
- Dispuut Pleyte (Students' Association for Ancient Near Eastern Studies in Leiden)
- Allard Pierson, Amsterdam <https://allardpierson.nl/en>
- Association for Students of Egyptology (ASE) <https://asegyptology.com>
- Hortus Botanicus, Leiden <https://hortusleiden.nl>

## Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee advises on scholarly matters, and is reviewing all proposed presentations.

Members have been recruited from our organisational supporting institutions, from among colleagues from the Netherlands and Belgium; see <https://ice2023.com/en/about>.

## Organising Committee

Members of the Organising Committee of the XIII<sup>th</sup> ICE are:

- Prof. Dr Olaf E. Kaper (President), Leiden University
- Dr Miriam Müller (Treasurer), Leiden University
- Dr Nico Staring (Secretary), Leiden University/F.R.S.-FNRS, ULiège
- Dr Koen Donker van Heel, Papyrological Institute/Leiden University
- Fania M. Kruijf, MA, Leiden University
- Noha Mahran, Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo (NVIC)
- Andrés Martín García de la Cruz, MA, NINO/Leiden University
- Dr Daniel Soliman, National Museum of Antiquities (RMO)
- Carolien H. van Zoest, MA, NINO/Leiden University

## Mission Statement

The XIII<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Egyptologists (2023) is themed “The future of Ancient Egypt”. It aims to reflect current scholarship and to open a dialogue on Egyptology in a wider sense. What is the place of ancient Egypt in contemporary society and academia and how can we keep the discipline relevant for the future? If we aim to move beyond its colonialist origins, while embracing inclusiveness and accessibility, how do we achieve this? How do we maintain standards of scholarship in the face of trends in university education and research bodies? And finally, how can Egyptologists around the globe connect with each other in an environment in which each colleague’s voice can be heard in equal measure?

The XIII<sup>th</sup> ICE will be foremost a platform to present the latest research in Egyptology, showcasing current and future research within its many branches and beyond. Contributors are invited to connect their research to the central questions of the congress as outlined above. In addition to individual contributions, the congress will provide the opportunity to address the central theme in separate panel discussions.

The XIII<sup>th</sup> ICE will adopt Arabic as one of the congress languages for the first time at an ICE outside Egypt. Most general information will be made available in English and Arabic, in recognition of the importance of Egyptian Egyptology and the changing scholarly landscape.



## Topics and Themes

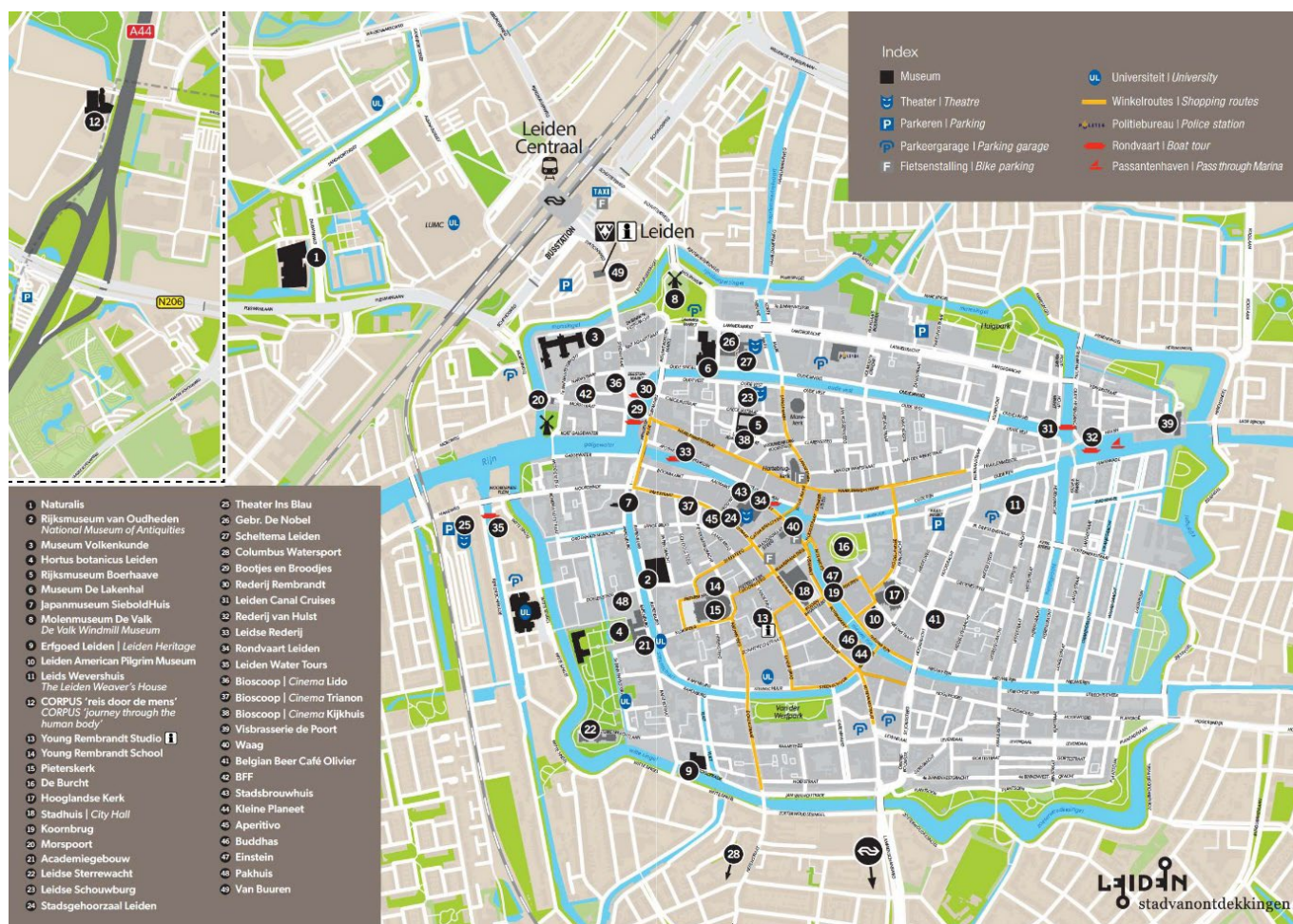
Presentations, panel discussions, and posters on the following topics are particularly welcomed at the XIII<sup>th</sup> ICE. These are, in alphabetical order:

- Climate and climate change in antiquity
- Digital Egyptology
- Egyptology and museology
- Egyptology and the dissemination of research
- Historiography of Egyptology
- (Illegal) trade in ancient Egyptian artefacts
- Inclusion and diversity in Egyptology
- Interdisciplinary research in Egyptology
- International reception of ancient Egypt
- Protecting ancient Egyptian heritage

These topics will be focal points within the themes that make up any International Congress of Egyptologists: Archaeology; Social Life; Art & Architecture; History; Language, Literature and Texts; Religion; Museums & Collections.

## Map of Leiden

with points of interest indicated:



An online map of Leiden (with ICE congress venues and hotels indicated) is on our website:

<https://ice2023.com/en/hotels>.



## Preliminary programme

Saturday 5 August 2023	Early arrival and registration of participants
Sunday 6 August 2023	Registration of participants; plenary and festive opening session
Monday 7-Friday 11 August 2023	Presentations and workshops (six parallel sessions at two different locations in the city centre), poster presentations
Thursday 10 August 2023	Presentations and workshops; congress dinner
Friday 11 August 2023	Presentations and workshops; plenary closing session

## Participants

The congress will be an open forum to showcase and discuss the latest research and prospects on all branches of Egyptology with access for junior and senior scholars. Participants will represent the broadest range and highest standards of Egyptology.

To present a paper or a poster, participants must hold a valid membership of the International Association of Egyptologists (IAE). To join or renew IAE membership, visit the website [www.iae-egyptology.org/how-to-join](http://www.iae-egyptology.org/how-to-join).

**THE CALL FOR PAPERS IS CLOSED.  
THE CALL FOR POSTERS IS OPEN UNTIL 31 MARCH 2023.**

By the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, the results of peer review of submitted paper and poster abstracts will be communicated to the participants. If your paper or poster is accepted, we will kindly ask you to pay the registration fee before 28 February 2023. In case your paper is not accepted, it will still be possible to register as an attendee or to submit an abstract for a poster presentation.

## Poster guidelines

The poster presenter(s) must be present at the congress; specific times to discuss posters with their presenters will be announced in the programme. More information on poster presentations will be announced on the congress website (<https://ice2023.com/en/participants>) and in the Third Circular. Poster presenters are responsible for printing and transporting the poster to the venue themselves. If your poster abstract has been accepted, please follow the guidelines below when preparing your poster:

- All posters should be in A0 format: height 1189 mm, width 841 mm;
- The poster title should be legible from a distance of 5 meters;  
body text should be legible from a distance of 1.8 meters;
- Use charts and graphs to illustrate data; avoid large tables with raw data;



- Use high resolution images;
- It is the responsibility of the poster presenter to include copyright information for images used;
- The poster should have a good balance of text and images;
- Have a native speaker of the language of the poster review the text;
- All authors of the poster should be mentioned including their affiliation;
- Logos of institutes and sponsors of the research are allowed.

### Poster presenter registration

Abstracts submitted for posters must be no longer than 1800 characters including spaces. The title must not exceed 200 characters including spaces. All abstracts must be submitted in English or Arabic only; the text of the poster may be in any of the congress languages (English, Arabic, French, or German).

Please note that no translation services will be provided for the abstracts or the presentations themselves.

The abstract for a poster should clearly indicate how the poster relates to a central theme of the congress as outlined in the Mission Statement. Registration will be confirmed once the poster has been accepted. The deadline for submission of poster abstracts is **31 March 2023**, but please note that the deadline for early registration (lower fee) is 28 February 2023.

### Accepted poster presenters

- Present their poster at the congress;
- May submit their posters as a paper to be included in the congress proceedings;
- Receive a congress welcome pack;
- Have access to the congress welcome reception;
- May attend all plenary and parallel congress sessions;
- May attend all congress social events;
- May register for the congress dinner;
- Enjoy tea and coffee during the breaks;
- Receive free admittance to the National Museum of Antiquities;
- Receive free admittance to the Hortus Botanicus.

### Attendee registration

Attendees are visitors of the congress who do not present a paper or a poster. The congress fee for attendees depends on whether they are enrolled as a student at the time of the congress, whether they have the Egyptian nationality, and when they pay the congress fee. Attendees who register as a student will be required to submit proof of university enrolment. The deadline for early registration of attendees is **28 February 2023**. Please note that confirmation of your attendee registration will only be sent after we have processed your payment of the congress fee (see below).

Congress participants must hold a valid membership of the International Association of Egyptologists (IAE) if they wish to attend the **general assembly of Egyptologists**, or other activities **organised by the IAE**, during the congress. To join or renew IAE membership, visit the website [www.iae-egyptology.org/how-to-join](http://www.iae-egyptology.org/how-to-join).



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## Bookseller registration

The Organising Committee highly appreciates the participation of publishers and booksellers. It is our aim to make a wide selection of Egyptological publications available for sale to congress participants. Booksellers' promotional stands will consist of single, double or triple tables (provided by the congress organisers) plus limited space for promotional materials such as banners (provided by the booksellers themselves). Tables, chairs, power outlets, and wireless internet connection will be provided by the congress organisers. Booksellers have the opportunity to supply promotional materials to be inserted in the congress pack before 5 July 2023. The congress fee for booksellers depends on whether the bookseller registers early or late, and on the size of the stand. Publishers and booksellers who are unable to attend the congress in person, may register to provide a flyer or brochure for insertion in the congress pack.

## Booksellers registered for in-person attendance

- Will be allotted space for a promotional stand in the main congress venue;
- Will be provided their chosen number of tables, plus chairs, a (shared) power outlet, and wireless internet connection;
- May supply promotional material to be inserted in the congress welcome pack – materials should reach the organisers before 5 July 2023;
- Receive a congress welcome pack;
- Have access to the congress welcome reception;
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For further details, see our website: <https://ice2023.com/en/booksellers>.

## Congress dinner

The XIII<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Egyptologists will host a congress dinner on Thursday evening 10 August. All speakers, poster presenters, attendees, and booksellers are invited to register for the congress dinner. Please indicate when registering for the conference. With early registration, the price of the dinner will be only € 50 to € 75 per person, including drinks. The catering service will make available different dietary requirements: vegetarian, vegan or



halal. The dinner will be a key event of the congress with ample opportunity for networking and socialising.

There are different dinner fees depending on type of participant, and early or late registration. Important: please note that it will not be possible to pay for the congress dinner during the congress. **The deadline for registration for the congress dinner is 31 May 2023.** Participants who register and pay before 28 February 2023 enjoy the early registration fee.

### Fees and payment method

	Early registration	Late registration
<b>Speakers</b>		
Non-student speaker (Egyptian nationality)	€ 150	Not applicable
Non-student speaker (Egyptian) + congress dinner	€ 200	Not applicable
Non-student speaker (non-Egyptian)	€ 250	Not applicable
Non-student speaker (non-Egyptian) + congress dinner	€ 325	Not applicable
Student speaker	€ 150	Not applicable
Student speaker + congress dinner	€ 200	Not applicable
<b>Poster presenters</b>		
Poster presenter	€ 150	€ 200
Poster presenter + congress dinner	€ 200	€ 275
<b>Attendees</b>		
Non-student attendee (Egyptian)	€ 100	€ 150
Non-student attendee (Egyptian) + congress dinner	€ 150	€ 225
Non-student attendee (non-Egyptian)	€ 175	€ 225
Non-student attendee (non-Egyptian) + congress dinner	€ 250	€ 325
Student attendee	€ 100	€ 150
Student attendee + congress dinner	€ 150	€ 225
<b>Booksellers</b>		
Single table	€ 500	€ 500
Single table + congress dinner	€ 575	€ 600
Double table	€ 750	€ 750
Double table + congress dinner	€ 825	€ 850
Triple table	€ 1000	€ 1000
Triple table + congress dinner	€ 1075	€ 1100
Insertion of flyer in congress pack; no attendance	€ 150	€ 150

All amounts are payable in Euro (€). The registration fee must be paid through bank transfer.

USA and other non-EU participants, please note: we have noticed an unexpected fee of €12 for bank transfers from outside Europe. If you make a bank transfer from outside the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA), we ask that you add €12 to your total amount, or use Wise.com.

To qualify for the early registration rate, the bank transfer must be done no later than 28 February 2023 and the **payment must be received by 5 March 2023.** Participants must pay all bank charges and (online) payment commissions.



### Bank transfer information

#### Thirteenth International Congress of Egyptologists

ING Bank N.V., Foreign Operations, PO Box 1800, 1000 BV Amsterdam, the Netherlands

IBAN: NL65 INGB 0006 2184 90

BIC / SWIFT: INGBNL2A

The Organising Committee of the XIII<sup>th</sup> ICE will check if your payment was successful and complete. Select the registration fee that corresponds to your registration as listed in the table above. Please indicate your name and affiliation as reference so we can identify your payment.

Registration for the congress is final and valid once your registration fee has been received in full and you have received a confirmation email from the Organising Committee of the XIII<sup>th</sup> ICE.

For our colleagues in Egypt there is an alternative payment method. The fee can be paid cash in Egyptian Pounds (£E) to the Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo (NVIC). To make use of this option, please read these points carefully:

- Send an email to [info@nvic.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:info@nvic.leidenuniv.nl) to make an appointment. In this email you must state your name and your own email address.
- An appointment can be made at the NVIC from Sunday to Thursday between 09:00 and 12:00.
- The NVIC is located at 1, Dr Mahmoud Azmi Street, Zamalek 11211, Cairo.
- The early registration fee must be paid to the NVIC before 28 February 2023.
- The late registration fee must be paid to the NVIC before 31 May 2023.
- Be aware that each month the NVIC fixes an exchange rate of the Euro (€) against the Egyptian Pound (£E). Therefore, the total amount that you are required to pay in Egyptian Pounds can fluctuate per month.

### Special hotel rates for congress participants

Congress participants and booksellers have special rates with six hotels in Leiden: the Tulip Inn Leiden Centre, the Golden Tulip Leiden Centre, the Hotel VIC, the Fletcher Wellness and the Hilton Garden Inn. In order to get the discount rate, you should contact the hotel mentioning your participation in the XIII<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Egyptologists, and the discount code for the respective hotel as listed on our website. Booking details and rates are specified on our website: <https://ice2023.com/en/hotels>. All hotels (except the Hilton Garden Inn, in Oegstgeest) are within walking distance from the conference venues and near the train station.

Note that we advise you to prepare for accommodation well in advance, checking all the available offers via the specialised online portals. Although the city of Leiden now has a much wider accommodation offer than it did in the past (including numerous hotels, hostels, B&Bs and camping sites), we also encourage you to consider Leiden's wider region (e.g. Noordwijk, The Hague, Amsterdam, Rotterdam) where more than 3,000 hotel rooms are available.

Leiden students are preparing to offer low budget boarding options for a limited number of student participants from abroad. More information on low budget lodging for students will be announced on our social media.





## Visa applications

We urge all participants in the congress to verify that they have the correct travel documents for a stay in the Netherlands. Participants residing outside the Schengen Area will need a visa to enter the Netherlands. Please note that the Organising Committee cannot directly help with visa application procedures. We can issue a letter of invitation – a document you might need for your visa procedure – after we have processed your payment. If you wish to receive this letter, please reply to our confirmation of your payment (via email: [ice2023@hum.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:ice2023@hum.leidenuniv.nl)).

Colleagues and students with the Egyptian nationality can apply for a visa to the Netherlands at VFS Global. Please note that neither the Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo (NVIC) nor the Dutch Embassy in Cairo can take care of your visa procedure. It is advised to apply for a visa 10 weeks in advance. Any questions regarding your visa to the Netherlands should be directed to VFS Global. Applying for a visa is a long process but can be achieved by carefully following these points:

- Visit the VFS Global website at [www.vfsglobal.com/en/individuals/index.html](http://www.vfsglobal.com/en/individuals/index.html).
- Indicate that the country you are applying from is Egypt and the country of destination is the Netherlands.
- Select 'Take Me To The Website', which brings you to the webpage of the VFS Visa Application Centre for the Netherlands in Egypt.
- Select 'start now' under 'Apply for a visa'. VFS Global offers a step-by-step guide to walk you through the process of the visa application. Please go through these steps very carefully.
- Choose the visa type appropriate for your application. To attend the congress only, you require a short-stay visa.
- Please prepare your documents. Fill in the online application form and ensure you provide all the required documents as mentioned in the VFS Global checklist.
- Book an appointment with the Visa Application Centre.
- Visit the Visa Application Centre and make sure to show up to the appointment 15 minutes in advance. You will be required to submit your passport at the Centre for the duration of the procedure.
- After a decision has been made on your visa application, you can pick up your documents and your passport from the Visa Application Centre. This normally takes no more than 15 days. If you have received a Schengen visa previously, the process may be quicker.
- The service fee of the Visa Application Centre in Cairo is currently £E 455. This amount can be paid cash or with a credit/debit card.
- The Visa Application Centre is located at: 52, Lebanon Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Mohandiseen, Giza, Egypt. The opening hours are from Sunday to Thursday between 09:00 and 12:00.
- You can contact VFS Global by email at [info.nleg@Vfshelpline.com](mailto:info.nleg@Vfshelpline.com) or by phone at (+2) 02 21600052.



## Important dates

15 December 2022	Results of peer review of paper presentations Results of peer review of poster abstracts submitted until 1 October
28 February 2023	Deadline for early registration
31 March 2023	Late deadline for submitting poster abstracts
30 April 2023	Results of peer review of poster abstracts submitted after 1 October
31 May 2023	Deadline for late registration
1 July 2023	3 <sup>rd</sup> Circular with complete programme and final announcements

For more detailed information and updates visit the congress website at [www.ice2023.com](http://www.ice2023.com).

Secretariat's email: [ice2023@hum.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:ice2023@hum.leidenuniv.nl).

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