

Second Dorestad Congress 'The early-medieval Netherlands in an international Framework'

Leiden (The Netherlands) 2-5 July 2014

Programme as executed

Wednesday July 2nd

Keynote lecture

Gareth Williams, The British Museum

I wouldn't be seen dead in that: Sutton Hoo and other Anglo-Saxon 'royal' burials in the light of the Staffordshire hoard

Thursday July 3rd

Session I: Cultural Context

Michiel de Vaan, Leiden University

Before the birds started nesting: Linguistic diversity in the early-medieval Low Countries

Herre Wynia, Archaeology City of Utrecht

Merovingian Utrecht: Results from recent research at Leidsche Rijn and Domplein

Laurent Verslype, Catholic University of Louvain

Quentovic defined, again... New perspectives on the lower Canche valley in its territorial framework

Ben Jervis, English Heritage

Pottery and coastal communities before the emporia: A case study from south-east England

Session II: Key Materials

Thomas Calligaro, Centre de Recherche et de Restauration des Musées de France

Garnets used in Merovingian jewellery: The present picture of sources and procurement evolution

Genevra Kornbluth

Merovingian rock crystal: practical tools and status markers

Line Van Wersch, Catholic University of Louvain

Merovingian glass: Material, technology and diffusion

Pieterjan Deckers, Free University Brussels

Alloys on display: XRF analysis of Merovingian brooches

Session III: New Research on Dorestad

Menne Kosian, Cultural Heritage Agency

The city and the river: A reconstruction of the strategical position of early-9th-century Dorestad

Stijn Heeren, VU University Amsterdam

Predecessors and early development of Dorestad: The region of Wijk bij Duurstede from the 2nd to the 9th century

Esther Jansma, Utrecht University

The dendrochronology of the Early Middle Ages: Local and long-distance timber supply in the Netherlands, with emphasis on Dorestad

Raphaël Panhuijsen, University of Amsterdam

The funerary landscape of Dorestad from its Merovingian beginnings to its Carolingian heyday

Friday July 4th

Session IV: Reputed Royal Graves

Annemarieke Willemsen, National Museum of Antiquities

Looking for Merovingian royal graves in the Low Countries

Johan Nicolay, University of Groningen

Royalty in Frisia

Sasja van der Vaart, Leiden University

The problem of defining a chieftain: Early Iron Age chieftains' graves in the Low Countries

Session V: Early-Medieval Coinage

Arent Pol

Simplicity and chaos with the Merovingians: The transitional coinage of the seventh century

Wybrand Op den Velde

The Cothen hoard as witness of the international circulation of sceattas

Anna Gannon, Cambridge University

What can iconography contribute to the study of early-medieval coinage?

Session VI: Recent Excavations in the Low Countries

Jasper de Bruin, Leiden University

The discovery of Oegstgeest

Roel Lauwerier, Cultural Heritage Agency *Merovingians in a villa at Borgharen*

Rica Annaert, Flemish Heritage Agency

The Broechem cemetery: A key to the understanding of early-medieval culture in the Scheldt valley

Conclusions - Annemarieke Willemsen

Saturday July 5th

Congress excursion Aachen & Maastricht