## INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

## GENERAL

In 2009, the National Museum of Antiquities in Leiden will host the first large exhibition on Dorestad, the Carolingian *emporium* in the middle of the present-day Netherlands. At the site of Wijk bij Duurstede, not far from Utrecht, large-scale excavations revealed a wealthy harbour town with an international atmosphere. The attached Dorestad-congress will bring together scholars to open up debate about the site, the town, its material culture and its role within the European network of the Early Middle Ages.

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## PROGRAMME

The congress opens with a keynote lecture by dr. James H. Barrett (Cambridge University). Sessions are devoted to the excavations at Dorestad, relations between towns in the European network, the environmental and cultural context, Dorestad coins and other find categories. Round tables give an unique opportunity to discuss objects. Besides a private dinner visit to the exhibition with a poster session, there is an optional congress tour of Utrecht and Wijk bij Duurstede and a walking tour of Leiden.

SUBSCRIPTION AND INFORMATION Congress fee: € 250 (€ 200 for students). For full programme, online subscription form and more information see: www.rmo.nl/congress