

# THE EARLY-MEDIEVAL NETHERLANDS

IN AN INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

SECOND DORESTAD CONGRESS LEIDEN (NL), JULY 2-5, 2014



## CONGRESS

In 2014, the National Museum of Antiquities in Leiden will host the large exhibition 'Golden Middle Ages' on the Netherlands in the Merovingian world, 400-700 AD. The attached second Dorestad congress, exactly five years after the first, will bring together scholars to open up debate about these 'Dark Ages', their burials and settlements, rituals and identities, and the position of the Low Countries in the world-wide networks of early-medieval Europe.

## PROGRAMME

The congress opens with a keynote lecture by dr. Gareth Williams (The British Museum). Sessions are devoted to key themes like early-medieval identity and agency, so-called royal burials in Europe, significant find categories like garnets, coins and Merovingian glass, important new sites and finds from the Low Countries and recent work in the Carolingian 'vicus famosus' of Dorestad. The congress excursion will take participants to Maastricht and the Charlemagne exhibitions in Aachen.

## SUBSCRIPTION AND INFORMATION

Congress fee: € 200,- (€ 100,- for students). Location: Rapenburg 28, Leiden (NL). For full programme, poster call, online subscription form and more information see: [www.rmo.nl/congress](http://www.rmo.nl/congress)