

Lectures

Doors open at 5:30 pm. All lectures start at **6 pm** sharp!

Thursday 1 December: The Egyptian Zār Ritual on the Globalized Stage
Thursday 8 December: Destination Syria: Dutch Volunteers for Jihadist Organizations in the Levant

Films

Doors open at 7 pm. All films start at **7:30 pm** sharp!

Sunday 4 December: Only the Best for our Son (Het beste voor Kees)
Wednesday 14 December: Casablanca Calling
Sunday 18 December: Underground / Under the Surface

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Library News

Opening hours:

Please note that the institute and the library will be closed from 23 December 2016 to 2 January 2017.

Sunday: 9 am - 3 pm
 Monday: 9 am - 3 pm
 Tuesday: 9 am - 3 pm
 Wednesday: 9 am - 3 pm
 Thursday: 9 am - 3 pm

Visit our library and enjoy our collection in a quiet environment. We have a great collection on Ancient Egypt, Arabic dialects, linguistics and literature. Free Wi-Fi (ask the librarian) and consulting computers are available.

News December 2016

The NVIC on instagram!



The institute now has its own instagram account! Be sure to follow us [here!](#)

The passing of Prof. Abdel Halim Nur Eddin



We are sad to announce the passing of Prof. Abdel Halim Nur Eddin. He obtained his PhD at Leiden University in the Netherlands and became First Secretary of the Supreme Council of Antiquities. With gratitude, we remember his cooperation with our institute over the years. Our thoughts go out to all his loved ones.

Study abroad festival



Our Assistant Director, Ifdal Elsaket attended the Study Abroad Festival in Leiden on the 14th of October. There she told students about the various study programmes available at the NVIC. To see Ifdal speak, click [here](#).

The Cleveringa lecture and colloquium at NVIC on Sunday the 27th of November



Like every year, our institute organized the [Cleveringa lecture](#) to commemorate the courageous speech held by professor Rudolph Cleveringa on the 26th of November in 194 (for more information click [here](#) (Dutch) or [here](#) (English)). This year, on Sunday the 27th of November, the lecture was read by professor Sijpesteijn of Leiden University. She was introduced by H.E. Laurens Westhoff, ambassador of the Netherlands in Cairo. We thank both for their inspiring words.

During the same day, in cooperation with professor Petra Sijpesteijn of Leiden University, we organized an international colloquium on the theme "Informal Requests for Help and Mediation". The aim of the presentations was to investigate how informal requests have contributed to social cohesion of the early Islamic society. In total eight papers on this topic were read and discussed in a serious, but convivial atmosphere.

We are grateful for the support of the Netherlands Embassy in Cairo, who make organizing this event possible every year, and Al-Ahram Beverages, who sponsored the reception after the lecture.

Article on restored Sabil-Kuttab of Sultan Mustafa III



The NVIC is proud to have been part of the restoration of the sabil kuttāb of Sultan Mustafa III, which is located in Port Sa'id street. A fascinating article on the history of the building is published in this month's issue of Aramco World. Discover the history of the Delft blue tiles that grace the walls of this impressive sabil kuttāb. To access the full article click [here](#).

Internship available from February 1st

From February 1st we will have a position available for an intern for a period of at least 5 months. The position is only open to students from any of the universities affiliated with the NVIC. The internship will help you to gain work experience while simultaneously going abroad. The parttime basis offers plenty of opportunity to pursue personal projects such as studying Arabic. An excellent level of both Dutch and English is required.

Are you interested? Please submit your application before January 2017.

For more information please consult our Dutch [website](#).



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