

Call for papers:
IJsewijn Lecture & Laboratorium
(Leuven, 25-26 May 2023)

The *Seminarium Philologiae Humanisticae* invites Neo-Latinists to send in contributions for the new *IJsewijn Lecture & Laboratorium*. This initiative revives the annual IJsewijn Lecture in a novel format, but preserving some classical ingredients.

The 15th *IJsewijn Lecture* will take place on Thursday 25 May 2023, at 5pm, in the Justus Lipsius Room of the Erasmushuis (8th floor; Blijde Inkomststraat 21, 3000 Leuven). The lecture will be delivered by **Ingrid De Smet** (University of Warwick & Visiting Professor at the I Tatti Harvard Center for Italian Renaissance Studies, April-June 2023), and is provisionally entitled

Eco-Latin?

Water Management for Food and Recreation in Selected Neo-Latin Texts

The lecture will be followed by a reception at 6pm in the big hall of the Erasmushuis on the ground floor. Attendance is completely free, but registration will be required.

The next day, on Friday 26 May 2023, the very first *IJsewijn Laboratorium* will be held at the Couvreurzaal (M01.E50; Edward Van Evenstraat 4, 3000 Leuven, on the Social Sciences Campus, where IANLS 2022 also took place). The *Laboratorium* will have a **full-day program** devoted to ongoing Neo-Latin research, and has two main aims: (1) showcasing **state-of-the-art research** in Neo-Latin studies, in terms of both subject and methodology, and (2) **bringing together** young scholars with established researchers, including the IJsewijn Lecturer. There is, in other words, **no specific thematic focus**, and everyone is encouraged to present work-in-progress, paying due attention to both **successes** and **pitfalls** in Neo-Latin research, and how to build on, or deal with, them.

The *Laboratorium* aims to create an **active exchange** among the participants, in order to address and discuss **promising research perspectives**. All sessions will be plenary, including a research pitch by local Neo-Latin students. Each session will last one hour and include two presentations of 15' each, followed by 30' discussion time. Presenters will be asked to **pre-circulate** their materials and ideas in a way they see fit, no later than two weeks before the event (e.g. a Neo-Latin text with translation and/or commentary, a short paper summarizing the main points of their work-in-progress, an advanced paper not yet submitted for publication, a poster file, ...). The pre-circulated materials will be shared only with those registered for the workshop and will serve to **encourage in-depth discussions**. The scientific committee will make a **competitive selection** of papers, in order to guarantee a high-quality exchange.

The main workshop language will be **English**, but we will consider proposals in other languages with a strong tradition in Neo-Latin studies. Proposals of no more than **250 words** should be sent to [raf.vanrooy\[at\]kuleuven.be](mailto:raf.vanrooy@kuleuven.be) before 1 February 2023 in Word and PDF format. Notifications of acceptance will be given on 15 February 2023. The registration fee for the *IJsewijn Laboratorium* will be €25 to cover catering. We unfortunately do not have any means to cover the travel and accommodation costs of all participants, but we will be able to provide an exception for up to four junior researchers without any means of their own (please indicate this in your proposal). A link for registration will be made available in late February.

Organizing committee:

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