



The kingdom of Kizzuwatna: Recent developments in research

NINO Postdoctoral research fellow 3rd Annual Conference

Leiden, March 23rd-25th 2023

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Netherlands Institute for the Near East (NINO) at Leiden University is pleased to host a conference on *The kingdom of Kizzuwatna: Recent developments in research*, in March 2023. The meeting will take place from Thursday 23rd to Saturday 25th of March 2023 in Leiden.

Around the turn of 14th c. BCE the Hittite kingdom incorporated the neighbor kingdom of Kizzuwatna, centered in the region of Cilicia in south-eastern Anatolia. This event had a remarkable impact on the Hittite culture, manifest in the adoption of the local gods and the importation of textual lore, particularly rituals and cults. Presumably connected with these phenomena is also the introduction of the Hurrian language in central Anatolia. The history of Cilicia in the second millennium BCE, and of the local kingdom of Kizzuwatna, are thus topics of much interest in research on Hittite Anatolia. Yet, the local political history, and its socio-linguistic and cultural layout, remain quite obscure.

NINO invites scholars to submit papers on any topic relevant for the conference theme. The conference goal is to provide a venue for original research and recent discoveries, and within a multidisciplinary perspective. Thus, we will consider papers on archaeology and material culture of the region, texts and philology, religion and ritual, historical geography, social and political history, historical linguistics.

Selected papers will be considered for publication in a proceedings volume.

In our preliminary program, invited lectures will be delivered by:

- Prof. Eva von Dassow (Univ. Minnesota)
- Prof. Mauro Giorgieri (Univ. Pavia)
- Prof. Manfred Hutter (Univ. Bonn)
- Dr. Adam Kryszewski (Univ. Warsaw)
- Prof. Stefano De Martino (Univ. Turin)
- Dr. Alvis Matessi (Univ. Verona)
- Prof. Jared Miller (LMU Univ. Munich)
- Dr. Alice Mouton (CNRS, France)
- Prof. Mirko Novák (Univ. Bern)
- Prof. Piotr Taracha (Univ. Warsaw)
- Dr. Andrea Trameri (Univ. Leiden)
- Dr. Ilya Yakubovich (Univ. Marburg)

Guidelines for abstract submissions

We invite proposals from scholars of all career stages. Proposals for papers should include **author name, affiliation** and a **short abstract (ca. 300 words)** with selected bibliography. Papers will be selected on the quality of the proposal and with the aim of ensuring coverage of several topics for the conference. These should be sent by **August 15th 2022** to: NINO-conference@hum.leidenuniv.nl.

Deadlines and important dates

Abstracts submission, deadline:	August 15th 2022
Notification of acceptance:	by October 1 st 2022
Conference	March 23 rd -25 th 2023
Article for proceedings, deadline:	May 30 th 2023

Disclaimers

- The conference is organized on-site, pending future restrictions to activities. We will inform the attendants promptly if substantial changes to the program will have to be made.
- We will prioritize presentations delivered in-person at the conference, and we will consider online contributions only on exceptional basis.
- We plan to livestream the conference, for those who cannot participate in person.
- The organizing committee will review the submissions for the proceedings volume, which will undergo a peer-review process. Acceptance for presentation does not guarantee inclusion in the final publication.

Contact and information

Find the call for papers, updates, instructions and other information on the event page, at: www.nino-leiden.nl/event/the-kingdom-of-kizzuwatna.

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