

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

## Reading Dutch for Historical Research

an intensive residential course at South Durras, 18 June to 5 July 2012

Applications are invited for a limited number of places in an intensive residential course 'Reading Dutch for Historical Research', to be held at South Durras (near Batemans Bay), New South Wales, from Monday 18 June to Thursday 5 July 2012.

The course is intended for those needing a working knowledge of written Dutch for professional purposes, including the study of Asian history. The course is open to academics, professionals and current and intending postgraduate students.

Participants in the course will receive instruction in reading Dutch historical texts, especially from the period 1850-1950. There will be some attention to correct pronunciation, but no formal teaching of conversational Dutch. Completing participants should be able to read complex academic and bureaucratic Dutch texts with the aid of a dictionary.

No prior knowledge of Dutch will be assumed, but it is expected that most participants will have had prior experience in learning another language and will be familiar with the need for private study to supplement classroom work.

The instructor for the course will be Dr Bruce Donaldson, formerly of the University of Melbourne, author of the standard text *Colloquial Dutch*.

Funding for the course will be provided by the Australia-Netherlands Research Collaboration <http://www.aust-neth.net/>, enabling the cost of participation to be set at \$500 (\$200 for students).

### The course fee will cover:

- ✓ instruction
- ✓ accommodation for 17 nights at South Durras
- ✓ breakfasts and most lunches
- ✓ some materials
- ✓ transfer to & from Canberra at the beginning & end of the course (some participants may prefer to drive their own car to South Durras)

### The course fee will NOT cover:

- ✗ travel to Canberra
- ✗ evening meals
- ✗ personal expenditure, including travel insurance and excursions

The running of the course and the proposed fees depend on sufficient interest.

TO APPLY FOR A PLACE IN THE COURSE, PLEASE EMAIL YOUR NAME, CONTACT DETAILS, ENROLMENT OR EMPLOYMENT STATUS, AND A BRIEF STATEMENT OF YOUR REASONS FOR WISHING TO UNDERTAKE THE COURSE TO:

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Administrator of the Australia-Netherlands Research Collaboration by: 31 JANUARY 2012

PLACES IN THE COURSE WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS  
We hope to be able to make a firm offer of places in early February 2012