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From Leiden University's Faculty of Humanities and the Netherlands Institute for the Near East: we are seeking applications for a one-year postdoctoral fellow to catalogue and describe the Böhl Collection of the Netherlands Institute for the Near East (NINO, Leiden). We offer a full time, fixed-term position from May 2018 through April 2019.

#### Project description

The collection consists of c. 3,000 objects, mostly cuneiform tablets ranging in date from the Old Akkadian to the Hellenistic period, and covering most genres of cuneiform writing. This fellowship is part of our larger effort to make the collection more accessible and to improve its conservation. We enjoy the active support of the National Museum of Antiquities (RMO), which will carry out long-overdue restoration of the tablets in the course of 2018. In 2019, the entire collection will be rehoused at the museum, where it will remain accessible for visitors.

#### Responsibilities a.o.:

- Develop a digital catalogue of the Böhl collection, including the ca. 150 seals and the ca. 200 non-cuneiform objects;
- Organize, compile, and digitize (as needed) source documents relating to objects in the collection;
- Enter compiled data in a collections information management system;
- Assess the collection's state of publication and identify future areas of development;
- Set priorities for digitization

#### Selection criteria a.o.:

- A PhD degree in Assyriology;
- Excellent knowledge of the cuneiform writing system from different periods and pertaining to different genres;
- Familiarity with archaeological object care in accordance with museum standards

#### **How to apply**

To apply for this vacancy, please send no later than **4 March 2018** an email to [vacatureslias@hum.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:vacatureslias@hum.leidenuniv.nl). Applications should be in English. Please ensure that you upload the following additional documents in this order in a single PDF document named 'FAMILY NAME - Given name - 18-021':

A CV including education and employment history and publications;  
A letter of motivation;

One sample publication or other piece of written work, including at least one cuneiform text edition;

Names, positions and email addresses of two referees (no reference letters).

The selection procedure will take place in week 10, and selected candidates will be invited for an interview on 12 March 2018. You are kindly requested to be available in this period.

Enquiries from agencies are not appreciated.