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Codices Vossiani Latini Online Invitation

Dear Sir, Madam,

The Latin manuscripts from the Isaac Vossius library are among the most valuable parts of Leiden University's Special Collections. Highlights include the earliest sources of *De rerum natura* by Lucretius and those of Cicero's philosophical works, the oldest extant illuminated herbal in Latin, and of course the 'Leiden Aratea' (with 39 magnificent constellation miniatures).

Brill and Leiden University Libraries have collaborated in digitizing the *Codices Vossiani Latini* and making these medieval sources available to a large community of scholars. In total the collection comprises 465 manuscripts in 363 (composite) volumes, counting over 80,000 pages. Users with a library card have free access via the Leiden catalogue. Other users can obtain access via BrillOnline Primary Sources.

You are cordially invited to the presentation of *Codices Vossiani Latini Online* on **Thursday 29 October**. To mark the occasion two specialists will survey the breadth and depth of the collection. Furthermore, twenty of the finest manuscripts will be on display.

Location: [Universiteitsbibliotheek Leiden](#),
Witte Singel 27, Vossius Room, second floor South Hall

Programme

14:30 – 15:00 Arrival, coffee and tea

15:00 – 15:30

Welcome and Introduction – André Bouwman, Chief Curator & Curator of Western Manuscripts, Leiden University Libraries – Marti Huetink, Publishing Director, Brill

15:30 – 16:15

'The Vossiani Latini and Early Medieval History'
– Rosamond McKitterick, University of Cambridge

16:15 – 17:00

'The Eleventh- and Twelfth-Century Latin Manuscripts in the Vossius Collection'
– Erik Kwakkel, Leiden University

17:00 – 17:30 Manuscripts exhibition

17:00 – 18:00 Drinks

RSVP before 27 October via aanmelding@library.leidenuniv.nl (with reference: *Codices Vossiani Latini Online*) or by telephone 071 527 2832.