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Dear member,

We invite you to our next **ONS meeting in Leiden**.

On **Friday September 12, 2025**, the annual ONS-meeting in the Netherlands will be held at the premises of the **Leiden University, Faculty of Archaeology, Van Steenis Building, Einsteinweg 2, 2333 CC Leiden**.

As usual, there will be a number of lectures and in the late afternoon a member auction.

The tentative program:

09.30-10.00 h. Welcome at the Leiden University, Faculty of Archaeology (cafeteria)

We will proceed from there to the lecture room "Corry Bakels"

10.00-12.30 h. The following speakers will give a lecture:

Alexia Kaperoni, Bridging Disciplines: Introducing Oriental Numismatics to Non-Specialists.

Danny Van de Wiele, "Coins of the Parthian kings - instant identifier".

François Gurnet, The sasanian coinage of Yazdgird II (438-57), a reappraisal.

Hans Sanders, the AR drachma coins of Amoghbuti of the Kuninda Dynasty revisited. Data analysis & lessons learned from a collector's point of view.

Irakli Paghava, Monetary Economy of the 11th Century Bagratid Georgia.

Omid Mohammadi, "From 'Abzūd' to 'Baraka': A Numismatic Study of Blessing Across Sasanian and Islamic Eras."

Yigit Altay, A Unique Ilkhanid Dirham of Hülegü Citing Möngke: The Ahmad Washtaq Issue of Natanz, 6(58?) AH.

Nikolaus Schindel, "Umayyad Copper Coins and Administrative Geography of Early Islamic Bilad al-Sham".

12.30 – 13.45 h. Joint lunch (a lunch arrangement for € 15,00/p.), catering at the university

13.45 – 15.15 h. Lectures in one of the lecture rooms of the University; continuation of the morning session.

15.15 - 17.00 h. Auction of some Oriental coins and books. A number of lots have been donated to the ONS. With the proceeds of this auction, the ONS will be supported and only 10% commission will be added to the hammer price.

All lots are illustrated at ZENO.RU – Oriental Coins Database:

<https://www.zeno.ru/showgallery.php?cat=22117>

17.00 – c. 17.30 h. Communications among members and informal get-together.

18.00 - c. 21.00 h. dinner (€ 28,50/p. excl. drinks) in restaurant *De Bruine Boon*, Stationsweg 1, Leiden. (www.debruineboon.nl/)

It is a three-course menu with the following choices:

Possible starters

A. Homemade tomato soup

B. Burrata

Possible main courses (with fries)

C. Vegan burger

D. Saté chicken thigh or E. Saté pork tenderloin

Bruine Boon Dessert

Drinks: Heineken, house wine and soft drinks.

To be reserved in advance by e-mail to patrick.pasmans@hotmail.com AND the payment of €28.50/person to the ONS bank account, at the latest on Friday September 5th, 2025 with your chosen menu + mention of any dietary requirements and/or allergies. (Example of

reservation: Your Name and B - D).

ONS Bank account: IBAN: BE36 7370 4979 3981 BIC: KREDBEBB

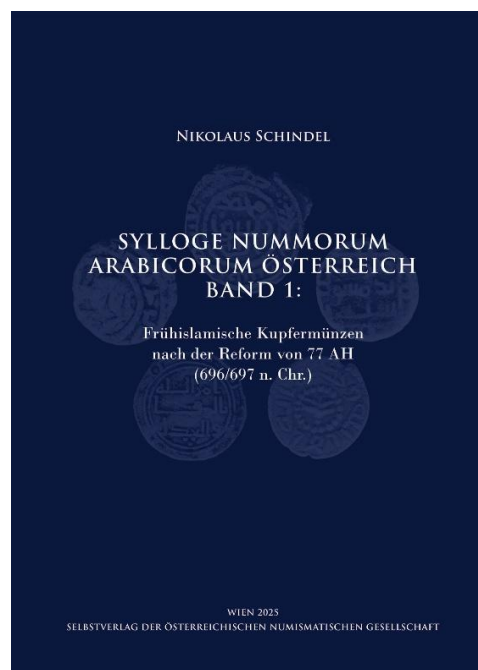
The drinks must be paid in cash at the restaurant (to our treasurer). No payments with checks or bank cards. The ONS must pay the joint bill in cash afterwards.

Please inform us, as soon as possible, but at the latest on Friday September 5th, 2025 whether you are planning to attend the meeting and also if you intend to stay with us for dinner.
Please do inform Patrick Pasmans E-mail: patrick.pasmans@hotmail.com

Yours Sincerely,
Patrick Pasmans

New book : Nikolaus Schindel "Sylloge Nummorum Arabicorum Österreich Band I"

The first ÖNG special publication was written by Nikolaus Schindel. It is titled "Sylloge Nummorum Arabicorum Austria Volume I: Early Islamic Copper Coins after the Reform of 77 AH (696/697 AD)" and presents early Islamic copper coins dating from the coin reform of the Umayyad caliph 'Abd al-Malik (77 AH, 696/697 AD) to the middle of the 8th century AD. The plates depict a total of 1,434 bronze coins in sylloge form. In addition, more than 150 pages offer a general overview of copper coinage from the Umayyad period, and the collection presented here is discussed in its broader numismatic context. This volume represents the first comprehensive treatment of Umayyad AE coinage since John Walker's 1956 British Museum catalog. While it does not aim for completeness, it can be used as a reference work for post-Reformation Islamic bronze coins up to c. 750 AD. Technical details: A4, hardcover, black and white, ISBN 978-3-200-10320-7. Order directly from the author, N. Schindel: Nikolaus.Schindel@oeaw.ac.at Cost: EUR 44 (plus shipping).



New book : Slawomir Liszewski, Identification of Kufic dirhams, handbook for beginners AH 132 - 334

Published by the author, 337 p, colour illustrations, hardback. Printed in 20 copies (not available for order).

The author, who does not speak Arabic, experienced as a collector of dirhams, had a lack of good literature to identify the coins. Especially being able to read the dates and the mints was difficult. Based on his own experiences he started to make his own handbook. It became a voluminous work with a lot of photos with details of dirhams. The first chapter in the book gives general information, after that come the chapters that provide useful information for reading the date (8-22), identifying 237 mints (23-113), determining the dynasty, rulers and identifying the names of officials on the obverse and reverse sides, by mint and year, and alphabetically (114-280) and the last chapter provides the key to recognizing the rulers of particular dynasties (281-337).

