

## WORKSHOP TIMETABLE

### 'Technology tools to explore historical literacy'

Coordinator: Colin Greenstreet for Signs of Literacy Community;  
hosted by Mark Ponte at Stadsarchief Amsterdam

Tuesday, June 5th, 2018;

13.00-17.00 (Central European Time), 12.00-16.00 (British Summer time);

The Italian Room, Stadsarchief Amsterdam; by invitation

**Times listed in draft timetable are Central European Time**

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| <b>13.00 – 14.00</b> | <b>SESSION ONE: Introduction &amp; Mariner literacy</b>  |
| 13.00 - 13.10        | Personal introductions; introduction to Signs of Literacy community; role of technology in enabling the community [All; Colin Greenstreet]                 |
| 13.10 – 13.20        | Reading & literacy [Colin Greenstreet]   |
| 13.20 – 13.35        | Literacy of C17th mariners: evidence from Alle Amsterdamser Akten (Amsterdam notarial archives) [Mark Ponte]   |
| 13.35 – 13.50        | Literacy of C17th mariners & shore trades: evidence from English High Court of Admiralty [Colin Greenstreet]   |
| 13.50 – 13.59        | Panel on mariner & shore trade literacy using English & Dutch evidence [Mark Ponte; Colin Greenstreet; Dr Jelle van Lottum]                                |
| <b>14.00 – 14.09</b> | <b>BREAK</b>   |
| <b>14.10 – 15.00</b> | <b>SESSION TWO: Technology themes &amp; discussion</b>   |
| 14.10 – 14.15        | Discussion: Technology tools and processes currently in use in archives of relevance to historical literacy [All]  |
| 14.15 – 14.45        | The potential of IIF [Discussion led by Glen Robson]   |
| 14.45 – 15.15        | The potential of Transkribus [Discussion led by Colin Greenstreet, with input from Thomas van Maaren & Mark Ponte]   |
| 15.15 – 15.45        | The potential of Recogito annotation tool under development by Pelagios project team [Discussion led by Dr Rainer Simon]                                   |
| <b>15.50 – 15.59</b> | <b>BREAK</b>   |
| <b>16.00 – 17.00</b> | <b>SESSION THREE: Pattern recognition &amp; machine learning applied to marks, initials &amp; signatures at scale</b>                                      |
| 16.00 – 16.10        | Required technologies [Colin Greenstreet]  |
| 16.10 – 16.15        | Our original proposal for a five day Data Study Group, developed with the Alan Turing Institute (Colin Greenstreet/Dr Mark Hailwood)                       |
| 16.15 – 16.30        | Our current proposal to run a Signs of Literacy Kaggle Research Competition, November 2018-early January 2019 [Colin Greenstreet/Mark Hailwood/Mark Ponte] |
| 16.30 – 17.00        | Discussion [All]   |

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