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The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Centre for International Heritage Activities (CIE) announce:

**An information meeting on the
Australian Dutch Cultural Heritage Cooperation Project**

**held at the Canberra Museum and Gallery, Canberra
on the 2nd of March 2011 at 5PM.**

You are cordially invited to take part in this informal meeting to learn more about the joint Australian Dutch Heritage Cooperation Project and receive information on how you can benefit and contribute to the inventory and database.

Mutual heritage activities between Australia and the Netherlands goes back more than 400 years and have resulted in a variety of stand-alone activities. To assist professionals, policy makers and volunteers and to increase the visibility, accessibility and coherence of their respective activities, the Netherlands Embassy has engaged the Centre for International Heritage Activities (CIE) to establish a database of projects and stakeholders involved. The overall aim is to increase cooperation between the stakeholders and create more synergy between cultural heritage projects in Australia and the Netherlands.

In order to gather extensive information on experts and organizations involved in such projects, the CIE is currently conducting an inventory. The input of organizations and experts such as yourself, who are active in the field of Australian Dutch heritage, is crucial to the success of the database.

The database is interactive and gives stakeholders the opportunity to provide, update and highlight information on activities and projects relevant to Australian Dutch heritage cooperation. Moreover, this initiative builds on the extensive relations and networks that already exist between the two heritage fields, with the aim to further strengthen that cooperation.

The CIE is an independent, non-profit organization for international knowledge exchange on the heritage of the European expansion and international heritage cooperation. The CIE has broad experience with establishing heritage databases. It has already developed a similar database for Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Ghana, Russia, Brazil and Surinam in a Wiki format.

In order to inform as many people as possible about the Australian Dutch Heritage Cooperation Project and the Database feel free to bring colleagues or other stakeholders to the information meeting. The meeting will take place from 5 to 6 PM.

If you are able to attend this meeting, please RSVP to k.spitz@heritage-activities.nl.



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If you wish to receive more information about the meeting or the database in general, please write an email to can-pcz@minbuza.nl or k.spitz@heritage-activities.nl.

The database will be made *for* and *by* the cultural heritage field. We look forward to welcoming you in Canberra the 2nd of March.