Call for Papers & SCIENTIAE

Early Modern Knowledge 3-6 June 2020 University of Amsterdam

Proposals are invited for the ninth annual **Scientiae Conference** on disciplines of knowing in the early modern world (roughly 1400-1800), which will take place at the **University of Amsterdam**, **3-6 June 2020**. Our keynote speakers will be Sven Dupré (University of Amsterdam/Utrecht University) and Florike Egmond (University of Leiden).



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The major premise of the Scientiae Conference is that knowledge during the early modern period was pre-disciplinary, involving complex mixtures of theories, practices and objects which had yet to be separated into their modern 'scientific' configurations. Scientiae addresses natural history, natural philosophy, and the *scientiae mixtae* within a wide range of related fields, including but not restricted to Biblical exegesis, medicine, artisan practice and theory, logic, law, humanism, alchemy, magic, witchcraft, demonology, divination, astronomy, astrology, geography, cartography, music, antiquarianism, experimentation, and commerce, as well as climate change, the relations between text and image, and gender.

The Programme Committee welcomes proposals for 20 minute papers from any disciplinary perspective, yet we would like to encourage submissions that seek to examine modes of early modern knowledge formation and application that cross traditional disciplinary, national, geographic, linguistic or intellectual borders. The sessions are intended to foster discussion that transcends the disciplinary scope. We explicitly invite proposals for less traditional formats, like debates, roundtables, or hands-on workshops.

Individual papers should include a 250-word abstract and a 1-page CV. Proposals for panels, debates, roundtables or workshops should contain a single 250-word description of the theme under discussion, along with a 100-word outline per participant.

The deadline for submission is **15 January 2020**. Please sent your proposals to: pertransibunt@gmail.com