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But *Simiolus* wants to be even more than that. It is seeking new ways of improving publishing opportunities for young scholars at the start of their careers by actively supporting promising research at an early stage—financially, with guidance, and with the prospect of publication in *Simiolus*. The latter aim is of particular importance, for last year the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) decided to stop providing translation subsidies, thus removing an important way of bringing Dutch research to the attention of the international community.

The publisher of *Simiolus*, the Stichting Nederlandse Kunsthistorische Publicaties, has therefore decided to create a support fund, the Simius Foundation, the aim of which is to stimulate art-historical research in the Netherlands and to publish it in *Simiolus*, thereby encouraging younger colleagues, while also ensuring the high scholarly standard and sound economic basis of this English-language periodical for years to come. For we think that without a good publication with an international distribution and readership, the value of research is very limited indeed.

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Notary R.J.C. van Helden of M.J. Meijer c.s. Notarissen of Amsterdam has undertaken to provide notarial services on behalf of the Stichting Nederlandse Kunsthistorische Publicaties.

We hope that you will support us in this endeavor.

With kind regards,

Frits Scholten, on behalf of the Stichting Nederlandse Kunsthistorische Publicaties
Peter Hecht, on behalf of the editors of *Simiolus*

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