Open Learning Environment in Early Modern Low Countries History

A Virtual Dutch Open Educational Resource funded by JISC and the HE Academy

The project will

turn a comprehensive survey course in early modern Low Countries history into a multimedia and Web 2.0 enriched Open Educational Resource (OER).

specifically focus on relations between the Low Countries and the Anglophone world.

use freely available Web 2.0 tools and services and be based on open and transferable standards.

combine a series of multimedia teaching and learning objects like an interactive multimedia timeline of Anglo-Dutch exchanges from antiquity to 1830 in an integrated resource-rich but directed open learning environment.

The UKOER programme

is a one year pilot programme, HEFCE-funded, managed by JISC and the Higher Education Academy.

will release a significant amount of resources 'openly' and embed the creation, release and exchange of OERs into institutional processes.

promotes a positive profile for institutions and the HE sector worldwide.

OERs in the context of OpenAccess and OpenContent .

For more information: <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/dutch/OER/>

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Unit 1: Willem Lodewycksz, *Historie van Indien* (1598)

In Unit 1 you read a short, adapted and modernised (i.e. grammar, syntax and spelling have been modernised) fragment from Willem Lodewycksz' *Historie van Indien* (1598). The *Historie van Indien* (History of India) is a travel journal, describing the first Dutch voyage to Southeast Asia (1595-97). The journal not only recounts the actual voyage, but also offers extensive information about Asian trade and indigenous products. Lodewycksz' work colonial and economic history.

Travel journals, written in simple and this course. The texts do not need to readable by beginner learners of Dutch another travel journal, Willem IJsbrant *gedenckwaerdige beschrijvinghe van*

1677: Mary II marries William III

Mary II (1662-1694), daughter of king James II, marries her cousin William III of Orange (see image), a champion of Protestantism in Europe. The pro-Catholic policies of her father created a constitutional crisis.

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