

The Textile Research Centre (TRC) <https://trc-leiden.nl/trc/index.php/en/> is based at the Hogewoerd 164, Leiden, and is very active in the field of textiles, clothing (dress) and accessories from around the world with no geographical or chronological boundaries. We currently have over 36,000 registered items, most of which are online on an open access basis. The TRC's work includes the cataloguing and photographing of objects, storage management, as well as developing various exhibitions, workshops, courses and lectures on the theme of textiles and dress. In addition, we have a TRC Shop and a wide range of public who visit the TRC.

The TRC Leiden has recently been offered as donations two very large collations of textiles and dress, as well as two much smaller ones. These collections are:

- Indonesian batiks (c. 30 pieces, November 2021)
- Philippines textiles (c. 30 pieces, December 2021/January 2022)
- Mainly Hungarian and Romanian textiles and garments, as well as items from various other countries (c. 1000 pieces January 2022)
- Mainly Albanian and Georgian textiles and garments, as well as items from various other countries (c. 1000 pieces, February 2022)

We will need help in processing these items and getting them online and suitably stored – it will take at least six months and will involve photography (still photography and video making), basic cataloguing, data management, storage management, researching specific themes/subjects, writing of short reports for making into blogs, etc., as well as helping with making mini-exhibitions and online exhibitions.

We are looking for help with various aspects of the dealing with these collections.

Interns and volunteers are expected to be able to converse and/or write in Dutch and English, other languages welcome, to be interested in the subject, practical experience in textiles and/or dress recommended, but not essential as in-house training can be given. The most important requirement is flexibility and a curiosity about the world of material culture and textiles/dress in particular.

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