



## Newsletter for NWO-I employees



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## Review of positions within NWO-I and operational positions at the institutes

In 2018, all jobs within NWO-D, the NWO-I office and the operational management positions at the NWO Institutes will receive new job descriptions. Employees with these jobs will receive a new, more general job description at the end of this year. Scientific positions and associated supporting positions at the institutes are not part of this project, similar to the PhDs employed by NWO-I.



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## We are NWO



In April, NWO's new core values were brought to the attention. In the coming years NWO will work on the new strategy by being groundbreaking, committed, reliable and connecting. Who? We. That is NWO-D (domain organisation), NWO-I office, the BUW (the Administrative Unit for Research Groups at Universities of the former FOM Foundation that is gradually being phased out) and the nine NWO Institutes. With almost 2.500 employees, together we form a new single NWO. Together we convey the core values in our daily work at NWO from interacting with colleagues to HRM policy and NWO's communications.

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## Relocation of space research institute SRON to South Holland now official

On 31 May 2018, Leiden University, Delft University of Technology, space research institute SRON and NWO confirmed the relocation of SRON-Utrecht to South Holland by signing the collaboration agreement. In 2021, the main location of the space research institute will move to the Science Campus of Leiden University. Hester Bijl (Leiden University), Tim van der Hagen (Delft University of Technology), Jaap Schouten (NWO) and Rens Waters (SRON) signed the collaboration agreement, finalising the relocation of SRON-Utrecht.



Credits: Pim Rusch

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## Introduction to SRON facility manager Frank van Rijn *"Groundbreaking technological work cannot take place in a shed"*



Credits: Ivar Pel

In 2009, facility manager Frank van Rijn observed that the building of SRON on the Utrecht University campus was not fit for the future. In 2.5 years' time the institute will relocate to a new building in Leiden. Van Rijn, who has worked at SRON since 2000, works full-time on the forthcoming relocation.

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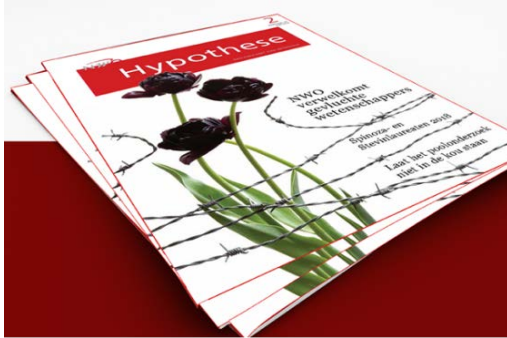
## Highlight CWI: readers can increase retrievability of documents in the National Library collection

Researchers from the NWO Institute CWI (Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica) discovered that crowdsourcing can help decrease the bias of the search engine of the 'Koninklijke Bibliotheek' (KB), the National Library of the Netherlands. The search engine shows a preference for certain articles, while other documents rarely appear on the surface. When users manually correct errors that occur during the digitization of texts, the search engine immediately provides a more varied search result of the collection.



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## June issue magazine *Hypothese* is out



NWO publishes *Hypothese* four times per year. The magazine gives a great impression of the scientific research that is carried out with the help of funding from NWO as well as within the NWO Institutes. The June issue includes news about the relocation of space research institute SRON to Leiden and the discoveries of the research vessel *Pelagia* during the NICO expedition (NIOZ). *Hypothese* also contains a story about a new scanning method that mathematicians at CWI are using in a collaborative project with art historians from the Rijksmuseum. You can subscribe to *Hypothese* free of charge via the NWO website.

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## News from NWO Central Works Council: introducing Janou Koskamp

The NWO Central Works Council represents the interests of all NWO and NWO-I employees in consultation with the NWO executive board. In this month's newsletter we introduce you to Janou Koskamp, who works as an NWO-I PhD researcher at Utrecht University.



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## Calendar: register for *Connect@CWI* on 13 September

*What do art objects from the Rijksmuseum and ambulances have in common with NWO Institute CWI?*



Come to the *Connect* meeting at CWI (Centrum Wiskunde & Informatica) on Thursday morning 13 September 2018 in Amsterdam and find out how this NWO Institute is involved with Chinese puzzle balls from the Rijksmuseum, but also with ambulances and magnetic drum memories. And while you are doing that, you can meet your colleagues from all over NWO and NWO-I because everybody is welcome. Make sure you register soon though because the building can hold a maximum of 80 visitors. Mathematically calculated of course.

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### **About NWO-I**

*NWO-I, the Institutes Organisation of NWO, is an independent foundation belonging to NWO. The following nine institutes are part of NWO-I: AMOLF, ARCNL, ASTRON, CWI, DIFFER, Nikhef, NIOZ, NSCR and SRON. The 200-plus workgroups in which physics research takes place at Dutch universities and knowledge institutes are also part of NWO-I.*

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