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“Victoria” as a Guest in the Capital – State Secretaries and MPs View the Roman Ship

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At the weekend the Roman ship “Victoria” sailed the Spree in Berlin, to publicise “IMPERIUM KONFLIKT MYTH. 2000 Years Varus Battle” the year’s biggest exhibition, in Germany 2009. Interested visitors got down to the oars in the immediate proximity of the Chancellery and Parliament building.

The State Secretaries, Wolfgang G. Gibowski and Michael Mertes, representing Lower Saxony and North Rhine-Westphalia, used “Victoria’s stay to view the full-scale reconstruction of a Roman warship along with members of the Bundestag. Representatives of the three locations in Haltern am See, Kalkriese and Detmold invited the politicians personally to visit the world-class exhibitions.

The capital was the first Stop for „Victoria“ on her tour in 2009. The ship will be a guest next in Detmold at the “Tag des Rudersports” (8.-10.05.) and later in Hedemünden (6.-07.06.). During the exhibitions the ship will be operating at the three locations for several weeks each.

The exhibition project “IMPERIUM KONFLIKT MYTH. 2000 Years Varus Battle” is sponsored by the Landschaftsverband Westfalen-Lippe (LWL), the Varusschlacht im Osnabrücker Land GmbH – Museum and Park Kalkriese, the Landesverband Lippe as well as the Kreis Lippe.

LWL-Römermuseum is declining with the Roman Empire at the height of its power in its exhibition “IMPERIUM” (16th May – 11th October 2009). The focus is on art, culture and propaganda at the time of the Emperor Augustus. Beginning with the Varus Battle, the exhibition “CONFLICT” (16th May – 25th October) in the Museum and Park Kalkriese traces the path taken by the Germanic peoples to a position of power in ancient Europe.

With the aid of archaeological treasures it shows amongst other things who the Germanic people were, how they were able to defeat the Romans and why war was their recipe for success. The scope of the exhibition “MYTH” in the Lippisches Landesmuseum Detmold (16th May to 25th October 2009) is from Roman historiography to modern research. It shows what effect the myth of the battle had on German and European

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history and in addition provides insight into the everyday life and the social structure of the Germanic people.

The exhibitions “IMPERIUM“ and “MYTH“ are being supported by the Kulturstiftung NRW and the NRW-Stiftung.

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