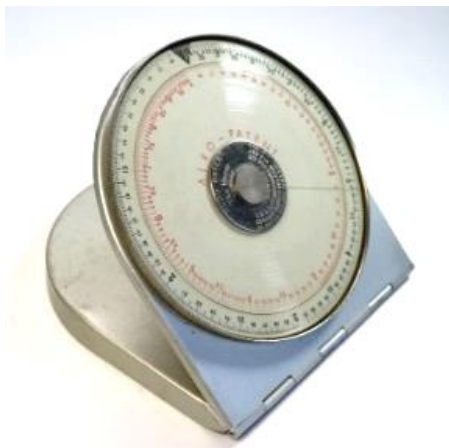# Announcing a new Book for Slide Rule Collectors:

"THE ALRO CATALOGUE" .....

….. featuring for the first time all 52 currently known solid calculating discs and slide rules, plus the over a hundred slide charts, that were produced by the Dutch firm "ALRO" in the city of The Hague, from the mid-1930's until the late 1990's.

The original ALRO calculating disc is famous for its patented assembly of fixed and moving circular parts, housed in a hinged collapsible box that was used for protection when closed; but also - when unfolded - it provided an optimal "hands-free" desk stand.

Since the 1990's, many ALRO calculators have been collected and documented, for example by Herman van Herwijnen and IJzebrand Schuitema. This resulted in a growing catalogue of known slide rules, of ALRO's as well as other brands: Herman's "Blue Book". Various editions were published in printed book form, including a CD, up to 2003; since then, the contents has been available online at Rod Lovett's website: sliderules.lovett.com.

However, many more ALRO calculators and slide charts have been discovered since the last Blue Book edition. Also, the task to identify ALRO products was not easy as the company did not use a consistent product naming system. So a need was felt for a new, up-to-date, complete and denominative ALRO Catalogue book.

We proudly announce **"THE ALRO CATALOGUE"** (2020), in a hardback bound book format, with more than 200 pages of descriptions, tabular data, documentary annexes, a new coding system for identification, and – most importantly – the high-resolution colour images of each and every ALRO that is known today.

"THE ALRO CATALOGUE" has been prepared and produced by Otto E. van Poelje, under the aegis of the Dutch Circle for Historical Calculating Instruments, with great support by David Rance and by the IM2019 organizing team.

Visit the Dutch KRING website: www.rekeninstrumenten.nl/ALRO for more info.

"THE ALRO CATALOGUE" book is for sale at €35.- excl. shipping
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