

Ten Clarenwater

Six centuries ago, the Ten Clarenwater monastery was founded along the IJssel near Zwolle, a place for contemplation and prayer, but also a place as a source of activity, strategically located and connected to the environment. The monastery disappeared, the activity remained. On the same site, the Klaarwater brick factory was built, which had emerged at the end of the nineteenth century from hundreds of years of brickworks. Hogeschool Windesheim was built on the Zwolle side of the IJssel, near the place where the office of the brick factory was once located. The name Ten Clarenwater was brought back into use in 2016, six centuries after the monastery was founded and more than a century after the disappearance of the brick factory. We have adopted the name Ten Clarenwater at the Dutch Centre of Expertise in Family Business at Windesheim University of Applied Sciences. This name connects us with the past and fits well with our ambition to combine knowledge and practice for family businesses and industry in the wider area.