



BARTHOLOMÄUS BRUYN the Younger

(c. 1530 Cologne c. 1610)

Portrait of a patrician of Cologne and his wife, probably members of the Pilgrum family. 1563.

Oil on panel.

Each inscribed and dated centre top: AETATIS SVE 56 AO.1563 (husband). AETATIS SVE 54 AO.1563 (wife).

Each 49 x 34 cm.

Provenance: – Collection of Count Schaffgotsch. – Private collection of L., Hitzlisberg, Lucerne. – Sale Fischer, Lucerne, 30.8.1933, Lot 230. – Sale Christie's, London, 9.7.1999, Lot 140. – European collection. With a dendrochronological analysis by Prof. Dr Peter Klein (19.5.2021), in which the panel of the husband's portrait is dated from 1561 and that of wife

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from 1549. The date of the paintings as 1563, as noted above, is therefore convincing. Our thanks to Dr Roland Krischel, for his assistance in cataloguing this pair of works.

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