

Relics: Creating Identity and Memory in the Middle Ages

Seminar at the Finnish Institute in Rome, June 4-5, 2009

Passeggiata del Gianicolo 10, 00165 Rome

Thursday, June 4:

- 17.15 Welcome speech, Director of the Institutum Romanum Finlandiae Kaj Sandberg
Opening of the seminar, Marika Räsänen (Institutum Romanum Finlandiae)

Relics: Creating identities and collective memory in the Middle Ages.
Keynote lecture by Arnold Angenendt (Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster)

Discussion

Friday, June 5:

Moderator of the morning session, Florian Hartmann (Deutsches Historisches Institut in Rom)

- 9.30 **La reliquia: costruzione storiografica di un oggetto di studio multidisciplinare.** Sofia Boesch Gajano (Università di Roma Tre, L'Associazione italiana per lo studio della santità, dei culti e dell'agiografia)

Dreams and the Discoveries of Relics in the Early Middle Ages. Some Observations Regarding the Influence of 'Revelatio Sancti Stephani'. Jesse Keskiaho (University of Helsinki)

Coffee break

The Physical and Literary Relics of St. Mark in northern Italy.
Richard Matthew Pollard (Trinity College, Cambridge)

The Civic Cults of Local Reformist Bishops in Dalmatia: Success and Failure. Ana Marinković (University of Zagreb / Central European University, Budapest)

Discussion

- 12.30 Buffet lunch at the Finnish Institute
Moderator of the evening session, Francesco Scorza Barcellona (Università di Roma Due)
- 14.00 **Reliquie e istituzioni: i processi di tesaurizzazione nella Congregazione Vallombrosana.** Caterina Giovanna Coda (Università di Roma Tre)
The Emperor's New Bones – The Accumulation of Relics by Charles IV (1346-1378). Martin Bauch (Deutsches Historisches Institut in Rom / Freie Universität Berlin)
Discussion
- 15.15 Coffee break
- 15.45 **Master Elias Raymundus, the relics of St Thomas, and competing visions of reform on the eve of the Great Schism.** Constant Mews (Monash University, Australia)
The relic cult of St. Thomas Aquinas in Orvieto in the Late Middle Ages. Marika Räsänen (Institutum Romanum Finlandiae)
Why did Charles V want the relics of St. Thomas Aquinas? Jeff Richards (Bergische Universität Wuppertal)
Discussion
- 17.30 Closing remarks, Gritje Hartmann (Deutsches Historisches Institut in Rom / Stiftung Mercator, Essen)