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Online participation will be possible via Zoom.



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With the emergence of the mendicant orders at the beginning of the thirteenth century, Europe's religious landscape changed fundamentally. Soon these new orders had spread across the entire continent and beyond, founding convents in numerous cities, and quickly establishing themselves in the vicinity of political centres of power. There, the mendicants served not only as confessors and chaplains, but also as diplomats and advisors, as translators and spies. These positions allowed them to exert significant influence on political decision-making processes and also on the decisions themselves.

This international conference will assess these relationships between potentates and mendicant orders by bringing together internationally renowned scholars to explore this field of interaction between religion and politics in late medieval Europe from a comprehensive comparative perspective for the very first time. In addition to the actual connections between orders and rulers, representations and ideas of these links to power will also be examined. For this purpose, papers will draw on, for instance, sermons and visions, thus taking into consideration two important genres for the popular communication of knowledge, news, and ideas in the Middle Ages. With this conference, we hope to generate new insights into such diverse fields as the history of political ideas, of religious orders, of diplomacy, of piety, and of rulership more broadly.

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The initiative to establish the Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg came from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach-Stiftung, Professor Dr. h. c. mult. Berthold Beitz. Professor Beitz associated this initiative with the idea that an institute for advanced study in the Hanseatic and university city of Greifswald could assist Greifswald to become once again the „liberal, cosmopolitan centre for encounters in the Baltic Sea region“ that it used to be for centuries. The Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg is committed to this goal.

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Mendicants and Political Power(s) in the Middle Ages

International Conference
11th - 13th September 2023

Monday, 11th September 2023

10.30 – 12.30

Excursion to Eldena monastery

14.30 – 15.00

Registration

15.00 – 15.15

Welcome by the Alfried Krupp

Wissenschaftskolleg and the organisers of the conference

15.15 – 16.45

Entangled Powers in the Medieval Anthropocene: Roger Bacon and the Governance of the Earth

Amanda Power (Oxford)

Should it fall to us to give advice: Addressing the Powerful in Mendicant Texts of the Later Thirteenth Century

Emilie Lavallee (Oxford)

Rulership in the Sermons of the Dominican Friar Nicholas Eymeric (d. 1399)

Lidia Negoj (Vienna)

16.45 – 17.30

Coffee Break

17.30 – 18.30

Mendicant Diplomatic Agents in the Baltic, 13th–14th c.

Anti Selart (Tartu)

Diplomat Friars and Informal Diplomacy in the Western Mediterranean (ca. 1300–1340)

Robert Friedrich (Greifswald)

18.30 – 19.00

Break

19.00

Public Key Note Lecture

Gastfreundlich aufgenommen und wohlwollend behandelt – Inschriften aus Bettelordensklöstern in Mecklenburg und Pommern

Christine Magin (Greifswald)

Moderation: Isabelle Dolezalek (Greifswald)

Tuesday, 12th September 2023

9.00 – 10.00

Guided tour through Greifswald

10.00 – 11.00

Dominican Tertiaries as Court Prophetesses in Renaissance Italy

Cornelia Linde (Greifswald)

Mendicants' Preaching at the Court of Philippe III of France (1270–1285)

Sophie Delmas (Lyon)

11.00 – 11.30

Coffee Break

11.30 – 12.30

Friars Minor in Late Medieval Lithuania: Missionaries, Martyrs, Intercessors and Scribes

Darius Baronas (Vilnius)

Envoys, Translators and Ethnographers: Mendicants in the Service of Western Rulers in and around the Kingdom of Jerusalem

Jonathan Rubin (Ramat Gan)

12.30 – 14.00

Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.00

On Sermons and Sinners. Mendicant Confessors and the Royal Courts of England and France

Ralf Lützel Schwab (Berlin)

Emperor's Confessor and Murderer? Narratives about Dominicans and the Death of Henry VII, Holy Roman Emperor

Erik Wendlandt (Greifswald)

15.00 – 15.30

Coffee Break

15.30 – 16.30

Peter IV and the Infant Peter OFM. A Difficult Symbiosis

Sebastian Roebert (Leipzig)

Between Nobility and Royalty: Castilian Mendicants beyond the Convent in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Centuries

Francisco García-Serrano (Madrid)

16.30 – 17.00

Coffee Break

17.00 – 18.00

Mendicants and Royal Rule: The Example of King Rudolf von Habsburg and the Dominicans

Klaus-Bernward Springer (Münster)

Whereas Formerly Those in the Houses of Kings Were in Soft Garments, Now They are Clothed in Base Attire. Mendicant Orders and Rulers in Medieval Scandinavia

Johnny Jakobsen (Copenhagen)

Wednesday, 13th September 2023

9.30 – 10.30

The Venetian Authorities of Crete and the Establishment of the Franciscan Observants

Nicky Tsougarakis (Rethymno)

Mendicants and Rulers in Southern Italy

Cristina Andenna (Saarbrücken)

10.30 – 11.00

Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.30

Sed sicut Deus dedit manui diversos digitos ...: The Mendicants before the Mongol Khans

Wendan Li (Beijing)

Franciscans in the Service of the Papacy: Conflict and Cooperation at the Curia in Avignon

Melanie Brunner (Leeds)

Clemens Ragvaldi OFM, Inquisitor – At the Service of the Church or the Crown?

Jussi Hanska (Tampere)

12.30 – 14.00

Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.30

Ecce haereditas mihi ablata. Dominican Nunneries in Saxonia and Their Relations with Their Territorial Lords

Miriam Peuker (Greifswald)

Daughters of *Principes* in Mendicant Convents in Late-Medieval Germany

Jasmin Hoven-Hacker (Göttingen)

Saint Factories, Prisons, Graveyards, and Retreats: Functions of Mendicant 'Celestial Courts' in Thirteenth- and Fourteenth-Century Europe

Kirsty Schut (Toronto)

15.30 – 16.00

Coffee Break

16.00 – 18.00

Conclusion & Concluding Discussion