



SEEING, HEARING, READING AND BELIEVING

Authorities in the Middle Ages

Helsinki, Finland
20th to 23rd of September 2010

Monday 20 September 2010

8:30 REGISTRATION OPENS

9:00 OPENING WORDS

Room 505

Sami Pihlström, Director, Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies

9:30 KEYNOTE

Room 505

David Abulafia (University of Cambridge, England) - Hearing and Believing. Wandering Gypsies in Fifteenth-Century Europe.

10:30 COFFEE

11:00 SESSION 1A: VARIETIES OF FEMALE AUTHORITY

Room 505

Chair: **Sirpa Aalto**, Joensuu

Alexandr Koptev (University of Tampere, Finland) - Woman in Power: Princess Olga in the Early Rurikid Dynasty.

Alexandra Vukovic (University of Cambridge, England) - Concord and Reconciliation in the 'Life of Queen Helen' by Archbishop Daniel II.

Jessica Barr (Eureka College, Illinois, USA) - Body Language: The Semiotics of Saintly Bodies in Medieval Women's Hagiography.

Dámaris M. Otero-Torres (Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, USA) - Perplexity and Divine Grace in Teresa de Cartagena's *Admiración Operum Dey*.

11:00 SESSION 1B: EPISCOPAL AUTHORITY BETWEEN THE EMPIRE AND THE PAPACY

Room 404

Chair: **Christian Krötzl**, Tampere

Ken A. Grant (University of Texas Pan American, USA) - A Defense of Papal Authority - Pope Gregory VII's Second Letter to Bishop Hermann of Metz.

Sigga Engsbro (University of Southern Denmark, Denmark) - Secular Sanctity, The Bishop in the East Frankish Realms in the 10th -11th centuries, Archbishop Bruno of Cologne - an Exemplar?

Britt Forde (University College of Cork, Ireland) - 'Make right what is wrong,' *Auctoritas* in Adam of Bremen.

Christopher Pettitt (City University of New York, USA) - Empire and Sanctity in the Hagiography of Peter Damian.

12:45 LUNCH

Restaurant Piano (Rauhankatu 15)

- 14:15 SESSION 2 A: LEADERSHIP AND SECULAR AUTHORITY
Room 505 Chair: **Antti Matikkala**, HCAS
- Miia Ijäs** (University of Tampere, Finland) - Shifting Authorities and Political Negotiation in the Sixteenth Century Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.
Inka Moilanen (University of Bergen, Norway) - The Problem of Authority: Ælfric of Eynsham, Lay Aristocracy, and the Ideals of Society.
Mollie Madden (University of Minnesota, USA) - The Black Prince in Command: Sources of Military Authority in the Duchy of Gascony during the Hundred Years War.
- 14:15 SESSION 2 B: AUTHORITATIVE TEXTS AND TEXTUAL AUTHORITIES I
Room 404 Chair: **Maijastina Kahlos**, Helsinki
- Csaba Nemeth** (Central European University, Hungary) - Fabricating Philosophical Authority The Twelfth Century: The Case of the *De septem septenis*.
Mathilde van Dijk (University of Groningen, Netherlands) - Working with the Authorities in the *Devotio Moderna*.
Samu Niskanen (University of Oxford, Jesus College, England) - A Text as an Author: Anselm's Friendship and Cassian's Conferences Once Again.
- 15:45 COFFEE
- 16:15 SESSION 3A: SUPERNATURAL AUTHORITY
Room 505 Chair: **Jesse Keskiaho**, Helsinki
- Susanna Niiranen** (University of Jyväskylä, Finland) - *Pater noster* or *gogum gogum*? *Auctoritas* and Healing Power in an Occitan Remedy Collection.
Nicole Leapley (St Anselm College, New Hampshire, USA) - Vision and Blindness in Matthew Paris's *Estoire de Seint Aedward le Rei*.
Jen Reid (University of Amsterdam, Netherlands) - Patrick and the Power of Words in Medieval Ireland.
- 16:15 SESSION 3 B: THE AUTHORITY OF IMAGES AND OBJECTS
Room 404 Chair: **Elina Räsänen**, Helsinki
- Jill Bradley** (Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands) and **Tuula Hockman** (University of Tampere, Finland) - The Harrowing of Hell and Romanesque Baptismal Fonts.
Sarah Parker (The University of Texas at Austin, USA) - "That You Yourself are God's Temple": Shifting Identities and the Foundation of Faith in the *Hortus deliciarum* Tabernacles.
- 18:00 RECEPTION
HCAS - Helsinki Collegium of Advanced Studies (Fabianinkatu 24)

Tuesday 21 September 2010

9:30 KEYNOTE
Room 505

Albrecht Classen (University of Arizona, USA) - The Authority of the Written Word, the Sacred Object, and the Spoken Word.

10:30 COFFEE

11:00 SESSION 4 A: LAW AND AUTHORITY IN LATE MEDIEVAL CITIES
Room 505 Chair: **Anu Lahtinen**, HCAS

Maija Ojala (University of Tampere, Finland) - By 10 Mark Brokes – Late Medieval Craft and Guild Statutes.

Charlotte Vainio (University of Helsinki, Finland) - The Medieval Wife and the Law - A Study in Guardianship, Prohibitions and Possibilities in Sweden 1350-1442.

Krisztina Rábai (University of Szeged, Hungary) - Charters in the Fourteenth-Century Hungarian Kingdom.

11:00 SESSION 4 B: AUTHORITATIVE TEXTS AND TEXTUAL AUTHORITIES II
Room 404 Chair: **Jen Reid**, Amsterdam

Maijastina Kahlos (University of Helsinki, Finland) - *Sed antiquiora nostra sunt* – The Authority of the Past in Late Antique Debates.

James B. Williams (University of Indianapolis, USA) - Legitimizing Apocrypha: The Importance of Marian Apocryphal Texts in Matters of Orthodoxy during the Carolingian Age.

Symke Haverkamp (University of St Andrews, Scotland) - Eugippius' Use of Augustine's Authority in the *Excerpta ex operibus Sancti Augustini*.

12:45 LUNCH
Restaurant Piano (Rauhankatu 15)

- 14:15 SESSION 5A: CONSTRUCTING AUTHORITY IN CHAUCER
Room 505 Chair: **Leena Kahlas-Tarkka**, Helsinki
- John Martti Hill** (U. S. Naval Academy, USA) - Chaucer and a New *Auctoritas* by Indirection.
Christina M. Carlson (Iona College, USA) - Seeing, Hearing, Reading and Writing: Constructing Authority through Structure in Chaucer's House of Fame.
Jacek Kozłowski (University of Helsinki, Finland) - Authority and Insults in Troilus and Criseyde.
- 14:15 SESSION 5B: THE IDEAL AND THE REAL: AUTHORITY IN ENGLISH
Room 404 LEGAL DOCUMENTS, 1150-1500
Chair: **Mia Korpiola**, Helsinki
- Robin Sutherland-Harris** (University of Toronto, Canada) - Legal Uses of the Medieval English Cartulary.
Eileen Kim (University of Toronto, Canada) - "... suum condidit testamentum in hec verba": Negotiating Authority in the London Husting and Commissary Court Wills, 1350-1485.
Nicole Hamonic (University of Tennessee, USA) - Saints, Suffragans and Templars? Authority of Irish Bishops in English Episcopal Indulgences Issued to New Temple, London, in the 12th and 13th Centuries: A Case Study.
- 15:45 COFFEE
- 16:15 GALLÉN -PRIZE AWARD LECTURE
Room 104
- Presentation of the award: **Ulla-Maija Forsberg**, Vice Rector, University of Helsinki
- Anders Andrén** (University of Stockholm/University of Heidelberg) - The Civil War on Gotland in 1288. Towards an Archaeology of Historical Events.
- 18:00 RECEPTION
University of Helsinki (Senate Square, Unioninkatu 33), Vice Rector **Jukka Kola**
- PUB NIGHT

Wednesday 22 September 2010

- 9:30 KEYNOTE
Room 505
- Sverre Bagge** (University of Bergen, Norway) - From Fist to Scepter. Authority in Norway in the Middle Ages
- 10:30 COFFEE
- 11:00 SESSION 6A: CONSTRUCTING AUTHORITY IN VERNACULAR TEXTS
Room 505 Chair: **Päivi Salmesvuori**, Helsinki
- Sean Otto** (University of Toronto, Canada) - Teaching Authority and the Pastoralia in the Sermons of John Wyclif.
Laurie Mckee (Northumbria University, England) - Mastering Misrule: Robin Hood and the Ethics of Hospitality.
Jenny Lee (Northwestern University, USA) - From Complaint to Confession: Confessional Authority in Thomas Hoccleve's *Compleynt* and *Dialogue*.
- 11:00 SESSION 6B: RELIGIOUS AND LEGAL AUTHORITY IN MEDIEVAL
NORTHERN EUROPE
Room 404 Chair: **Robin Sutherland-Harris**, Toronto
- Johnny Jakobsen** (University of Copenhagen, Denmark) - "What Jesus means' is..." - The Dominican Order as Theological Authority for Kings, Clerks and Peasants in Medieval Northern Europe.
Michael H. Gelting (Danish National Archives, Denmark / University of Aberdeen, Scotland) - Frozen in Time: Perpetuating the Authority of Oral Testimonies of Court (*tingsvidner*) in Fourteenth-Century Denmark.
Reima Välimäki (University of Turku, Finland) - Authority of Archbishop Nicolaus Catilli of Uppsala in a 14th Century Swedish Heresy Trial.
- 12:45 LUNCH
Grand Casino, Fennia Salonki (Fennia Salonki, Mikonkatu 19)

- 14:15 SESSION 7 A: TWELFTH-CENTURY SCHOLARS AND AUTHORITY
Room 505 Chair: **Jaakko Tahkokallio**, Helsinki
- Nadja Johansson** (University of Helsinki, Finland) - "King Ptolemy and the Sages of India" - Abraham Ibn Ezra's Scientific Sources and Their Roles in His Ideology.
Sigbjørn Sønnesyn (University of Bergen, Norway) - *Scito te ipsum*: The Anthropology of Authority in Twelfth-Century Thought.
Toivo J. Holopainen (University of Helsinki, Finland) - Authority and Reason: Lanfranc, Berengar, Anselm.
- 14:15 SESSION 7 B: MIRACULOUS AUTHORITY IN MEDIEVAL ICELAND
Room 404 Chair: **Susanna Niiranen**, Jyväskylä
- Kirsi Kanerva** (University of Turku, Finland) - Authority of the Deceased. The Restless Dead and Their Influence on the Living in Medieval Iceland.
Frog (University of Helsinki, Finland) - Snorri Sturluson qua Fulcrum in the Evolution of Mythology and Poetics in Medieval Iceland.
Sirpa Aalto (University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu, Finland) - Saga of the Jómsvikings as an Example of Heroic Storytelling.
- 15:45 COFFEE
- 16:15 PLENARY SESSION:
Presentation given by the recipient of the 'Valoisa Keskiaika' -award
Room 505
- CLOSING REMARKS
- 19:00 CONFERENCE DINNER
Restaurant Sipuli (Kanavaranta 7)

Thursday 23 September 2010

CONFERENCE EXCURSION

10:00 – 16:00

A cruise to the islands around Helsinki on the paddleboat *p/w/s Vispilä*. Lunch and refreshments will be served on board.

During the boat trip, Professor Yrjö Kaukiainen will give a lecture on the topic

“Medieval Navigation on the Northern Rim of Europe“.

The excursion is organised in cooperation with the Jarl Gallén Prize given by Thure Galléns Stiftelse.

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