

Session 1606 – University House, Cloberry Room

Social Cohesion IV
Methods to Reconstruct Migration –
History, Archaeology and Genetics

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Magic Bullet or Blank?: What Genetics Can
Tell Us About the Past

Francesca CONSELVAN • IfG, Universität Wien

**Archaeological and Genetic Evidence
for the Anglo-Saxon Migration**

Celine WAWRUSCHKA • IMAFO, ÖAW

**The Beginning of a Wonderful
Friendship:** German and British Perspectives
on Anglo-Saxon Ethnogenesis

Moderator/Chair: Walter POHL • IMAFO, ÖAW – IfG, Universität Wien

Organiser: Clemens GANTNER/ Celine WAWRUSCHKA

Thursday 9 July 2015 • 11.15-12.45

Abstract

The 'Social Cohesion' strand will end with this experimental and innovative session dedicated to hybrid methods and the use of genetic analysis in medieval research: How do we arrive at historical conclusions on the basis of genetic evidence without methodological shortcuts? Walter Pohl will offer a short introduction on the aims of this part of the SCIRE project. Mark Jobling, a leading expert in the field of genetic history, will give a general introduction about the power and limitations of genetic data in studying the past – and present some of his current data on Viking and other influences on the British Isles. Subsequently Francesca Conselvan will summarize the archaeological evidence for Anglo-Saxon migration to the British Isles and will then compare this evidence with results of genetic analysis. In a final paper, Celine Wawruschka will review potential changes in research questions on Anglo-Saxon ethnogenesis from a comparative perspective, focusing on projects that use methods from biological anthropology and biomolecular anthropology and interpret the results from the perspective of national identities.

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Abbreviations:

Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften: ÖAW, Wien

Institut für Mittelalterforschung: IMAFO, Wien

Institut für Geschichte: IfG, Universität Wien

Social Cohesion, Identity and Religion in Europe: SCIRE



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Social Cohesion I

Concerns for Cohesion in Italy and the Carolingian Realms, 9th and 10th Centuries

Graeme WARD • IMAFO, ÖAW

Singing From the Same Hymn Sheet?

Amalarius of Metz's *Liber de ordine antiphonarii* and Social Cohesion

Clemens GANTNER • IMAFO, ÖAW

Love and Marriage. Louis II's Role in His Brother's Marriage Controversy and Its Impact on Italy

Caroline GOODSON • Department of History, Classics & Archaeology, Birkbeck, University of London

City-States in Early Medieval Southern Italy

Moderator/Chair: Celine WAWRUSCHKA • IMAFO, ÖAW

Organiser: Clemens GANTNER

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Abstract

In the early Middle Ages, Europe's political landscape was significantly shaped by the emergence of new fundamental modes of identification, both ethnic and religious. These processes created new forms of social cohesion and conflict. With the Bible, Christianity provided a repertoire of patterns suitable to give order and orientation that were significant for the shaping of ethnic identities. The SCIRE project, an ERC Advanced Grant project (No. 269591) based in Vienna and led by Walter Pohl is dealing with these problems. This session is the first of a series at this year's IMC showing results of the project, which is going to end in 2016.

First, Graeme Ward will deal with Amalarius of Metz' *Liber de ordine antiphonarii* and ask in which ways this very specific text can address two big but contentious topics: ecclesiastical 'unity' and Roman renovatio. Clemens Gantner will then look at the impact of north alpine Carolingian political strife on the imperium of Louis II in Italy. Finally, Caroline Goodson will explore the significance of interest and investment in Southern Italian cities. She will argue that the built environment was no mere backdrop but a critical tool of consensus-building among the southern polities.

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Social Cohesion II

In and through Texts

Cinzia GRIFONI • IMAFO, ÖAW

Hic et nunc: Early Medieval Social Perceptions in Latin Grammatical Works

Bojana RADOVANOVIC • IMAFO, ÖAW

Hierarchia in the Service of Social

Cohesion: Different Interpretations of St Paul's Epistle to the Romans by Carolingian Authors

Ingrid HARTL • IfG, Universität Wien

Multilingualism in Middle High German Literature

Moderator/Chair: Rosamond MCKITTERICK • Faculty of History, University of Cambridge

Organiser: Clemens GANTNER

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The second session of the SCIRE project deals with more subtle forms of social cohesion, which did not only work on the grand political or theological stage shown in the first session, but can also be detected in medieval texts. Cinzia Grifoni will show that grammars or, more generally, texts conceived as tools for early medieval school teaching bear hints of social perceptions of that time. Bojana Radovanovic will look at how the notion of hierarchy was understood in interpretations of St Paul's Epistle to the Romans in the works of Gottschalk of Orbais, Hrabanus Maurus and Hincmar of Reims. In the third paper, Ingrid Hartl will explore the positive and negative aspects attributed to multilingualism by taking a look at examples from Middle High German literature.

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Social Cohesion III

The Bible and Historiography in the Euromediterranean World

Philipp DÖRLER • IfG, Universität Wien

Biblical History as a Tool of Integration and Distinction in Gothic Historiography

Matthias M. TISCHLER • IfG, Universität Wien

Iberian Bible Manuscripts as Modes of Transcultural Historical Perception

Patrick MARSCHNER • IMAFO, ÖAW

Bible and Biblical Exegesis in the Transcultural Iberian Historical Writing

Moderator/Chair: Gerda HEYDEMANN • IMAFO, ÖAW
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This session will show how the Christian transcultural societies of the Early and Central Middle Ages compared themselves with the peoples known from the Old Testament and with their cultural and religious circumstances. This will be done from the perspective of selected Bible manuscripts and historical works. Philipp Dörler looks at the works of 6th-century historian Jordanes and the 7th-century bishop Isidore of Seville who pursue different strategies to anchor the Goths in universal history. He will investigate how biblical concepts found in these texts could be used either to integrate the Goths in or to distinguish them from the cultural and religious 'Other'. Matthias Tischler and Patrick Marschner then concentrate on the Iberian Peninsula under Muslim rule. The presence of Muslims and Christians entailed numerous varying perceptions of the respective cultural and religious 'Other'. The two papers try to show from the perspective of selected Bible manuscripts and historical works how the Christian Iberian transcultural societies placed themselves with regard to the Old Testament.