

Call for Papers



Doctoral Seminar
by Rosamond McKitterick
(University of Cambridge)

*The Uses and Communication of the Past
in the Middle Ages*

Friday 22 May 2015

Museumzaal MSI 02.08 10am-6pm
Mgr. Sencie-Institute, Erasmusplein 2, Leuven (B)

Professor Rosamond McKitterick is the holder of the 2015 **LECTIO Chair**. In addition to her public lecture on Thursday 21 May entitled “*The Authority of Rome in the Manuscripts of Early Medieval Europe*”, she will give on 22 May a **Doctoral Seminar** “*The Uses of the Past in Early Medieval Francia and Italy: Narrative Strategies and Manuscript Witnesses*”.

On the occasion of this seminar, a selection of early career scholars in the fields of history, art history, palaeography and manuscript studies, law, theology, music, philosophy, literary studies, architecture and archaeology are given the opportunity to present their research and to discuss it with the chair holder, the scientific committee and other colleagues.

The selected scholars are asked to consider the different ways in which medieval writers, scribes, artists, thinkers and composers used and communicated the past and thus, effectively or less effectively, contributed to the construction of identity, memory and commemoration, political arguments and intellectual debates. Paper givers are invited to think about how such examples were communicated, what was being communicated and how effective such examples might have been.

We invite early career researchers (PhD students and postdocs) **to submit proposals for a paper** in one of the aforementioned domains. Selected researchers are expected to give a 20-minutes presentation in English. **A one-page description** of the proposed paper and **a short CV** should be submitted no later than **30 April 2015** to lectio@kuleuven.be.

Scholars who want to attend the seminar **without presenting a paper** are also asked to register before that date.

Provisional program

Thursday 21 May 2015	
17.00	Public lecture (Lectio Chair) – Prof. Dr. Rosamond McKitterick (University of Cambridge) Promotiezaal – University Hall 01.46 – Naamsestraat 22 Leuven <i>‘The Authority of Rome in the Manuscripts of Early Medieval Europe’</i>
Friday 22 May 2015	
10.00	Introduction – Prof. Dr. Brigitte Meijns (KU Leuven)
10.05	Doctoral Seminar – Prof. Dr. Rosamond McKitterick (University of Cambridge) <i>“The Uses of the Past in Early Medieval Francia and Italy: Narrative Strategies and Manuscript Witnesses”.</i>
12.00	Lunch
13.00	Paper session 1 <i>‘The Uses and Communication of the Past in the Middle Ages’</i> (5 papers)
15.00	Coffee break
15.30	Paper session 2 <i>‘The Uses and Communication of the Past in the Middle Ages’</i> (5 papers)
17.30	Final conclusions

Scientific & organizing committee

KU Leuven	Brigitte Meijns, Pieter De Leemans, Marleen Reynders
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