

PROGRAM OF THE RURALIA XI CONFERENCE

“Religious places, cults and rituals in medieval rural environment”

Clervaux (G-D of Luxembourg)
September 7th-13th 2015

Monday sept 7th

Chairs: Haio Zimmermann & Christiane Bis-Worch

- 14.00-14.15 Haio Zimmermann, President RURALIA, Welcome.
14.15-14.30 Maggy Nagel, Ministry of culture, Welcome.
14.30-15.00 Christiane Bis-Worch (LU), Introduction to Ruralia XI: overview of the conference highlighted by Luxembourgish examples.
15.00-15.30 Andrea Binsfeld, Marcello Ghetta (LU), Reflections about late antique sanctuaries and Christian churches. State of research in Luxembourg.
15.30-16.00 Thomas Meier (DE), Parallel worlds - Christian multiplicities of space.

Coffee-break

Chair: Claudia Theune-Vogt

- 16.30-17.00 Bert Groenewoudt/ Roy Van Beek/ Michel Groothedde (NL), The afterlife of pagan open-air cult sites. Dutch evidence in context.
17.00-17.30 Frode Iversen (NO), Pagan "Cathedrals" in Early Medieval Norway?
17.30-18.00 Marte Spangen (NO/SE), Sami circular offering sites - medieval religious anomalies or a modern myth?

18.00-20.00 *RURALIA-Committee*
20.00 *Dinner at Hotel Koener offered by the ministry of culture*

Tuesday sept 8th

Chair: Frode Iversen

- 08.30-09.00 Juris Urtāns (LV), Offering Cave 14 - 19 C (Latvia). New discoveries.
09.00-09.30 Frédéric Surmely (FR), La Table des Bergers (Le-Mont-Dore, Puy-de-Dôme).
09.30-10.00 Finbar McCormick (IE), Struell wells: Pilgrimage and ritual.
10.00-10.30 James Bond (GB), Rock-Cut Hermitages in Britain.

Coffee-break

Chair: Christiane Bis-Worch

- 11.00-11.30 Postersession
11.30-12.00 Wim De Clercq (BE), Keys as symbols in the Medieval rural world.
12.00-12.30 Constanze Röhl (DE), The churches of the Byzantine settlement of Shivta in the Negev desert.

Lunch at Hotel Koener

Chair: Jean-Michel Poisson

- 14.00-14.30 Frédéric Chantinne, Phillippe Mignot (BE), Réflexions topologiques sur les églises antérieures à 1050 dans l'ancien diocèse de Liège.
14.30-15.00 Zoltán Soós (RO), A place of worship, medieval churches in the village of Szentlászló (Sânvăsi).
15.00-15.30 Cyrille Ben Kaddour (FR), Le site de Sainte-Catherine-de-Fierbois (Indre-et-Loire) : un nouvel exemple d'édifice religieux/funéraire alto-médiéval en contexte d'habitat rural.

coffee-break

Chair: Rainer Schreg

- 16h00-16h30 Jorge A. Eiroa Rodríguez (ES), Rural Mosques and Settlements: some reflections from the Archaeology of al-Andalus.
- 16.30-17.00 Hans-Peter Süss (DE), Judaism in the countryside of north Bavarian Franconia: History and Archaeology (PPP with English subtitles).
- 17.00-17.30 Adrie Ufkes (NL), The medieval settlement of Bakel (Brabant, The Netherlands): a grange of the monastery of Echternach.
- 18.00-20.00 Visit "Castles of Luxembourg" / "Family of Men",
Reception offered by the mayor of the city of Clervaux (Hotel Koener)
- 20.00 *Dinner at Hotel Koener*

Wednesday sept 9th

Chair: Mark Gardiner

- 08.30-09.00 Tibor Ràcz (HU), The topography and role of the priest houses in rural settlements of Medieval Hungary.
- 09.00-09.30 Duncan Berryman (GB), Rituals in the manor: a study of the buildings of fourteenth-century manorial curia.
- 09.30-10.00 Paolo de Vingo (IT), Creating memory through early medieval funerary buildings in rural Northern Italy.
- 10.00-10.30 Dries Tys (BE), Parish-formation from the perspective of the long-term dynamics of burial communities in the Frankish lowlands, a problematic pathway.

Coffee-break

Chair: Jorge A. Eira Rodríguez

- 11.00-11.30 Martin Čechura (CZ), Burial practices in Central Europe: Cemeteries as important source's understanding of medieval and post medieval mentality.
- 11.30-12.00 Yves Gleize (FR), Sépultures des marges et sépultures marginales : sur quelques exemples médiévaux du sud de la France.
- 12.00-12.30 Catarina Tente (PT), Graves and cemeteries in the medieval rural landscape of Viseu's territory.

Lunch at Hotel Koener

- 14.00-19.00 *Excursion 1 followed by a dinner offered by the University of Luxembourg)*

Thursday sept 10th

Chair: Philippe Mignot

- 08.30-09.00 Iñaki Martín Viso (ES), A place for the ancestors: the early medieval burial areas in the center of the Iberian Peninsula.
- 09.00-09.30 N. Makarov, I. Zaytseva, A. Krasnikova (RU), Medieval burial site in Shekshovo. New insight into the burial rituals of North-Eastern Rus'.
- 09.30-10.00 Nico Arts (NL), The archaeology of burial rituals in the north of Brabant, AD 550-1900'.
- 10.00-10.30 S. Krznar, T. Tkalčec (HR), The identity of the community and the identity of the individual: the burial of the deceased within the settlement in the Middle Ages in Croatia.

Coffee-break

Chair: Zoltan Soos

- 11.00-11.30 Barbara Hausmair (DE/AT), Lay attitudes towards early infancy death and the archaeology of unbaptized children.
- 11.30-12.00 Daniel Gutscher (CH), Ein Dorf wird verdrängt - die Marien-Wallfahrt mit Totgeborenen nach Oberbüren, Kanton Bern, Schweiz.
- 12.00-12.30 Mária Vargha (HU), Medieval Deviant Burials in Rural Environment - Ritual, the lack of ritual, or just another kind of it?

Lunch

14.00-21.00 *Excursion 2 followed by a dinner offered by the municipality of Beckerich at Beckerich*

Friday sept 11th

Chair: Michael Schmaedecke

- 09.00-09.30 Pawel Duma (PL), The worthy and unworthy dead in a Silesian village (13th-18thc.).
- 09.30-10.00 Wijnand A.B. van der Sanden (NL), Peripheral graves. Execution burials in the Northern Netherlands.
- 10.00-10.30 Miklós Takacs (HU), Die Identifizierung kultischer Objekte in der Archäologie mittelalterlicher dörflicher Siedlungen in Ungarn. Eine Bilanz der Forschungen der letzten Jahrzehnte.

Coffee-break

Chair: Tomas Klir

- 11.00-11.30 Elisabet Regner (SE), Transcending urbanity? Private devotion in rural contexts in Late-Medieval Sweden.
- 11.30-12.00 Johan Verspay (NL), Brabandic fields, blessed land.
- 12.00-12.30 Morten Søvstø (DK), Buried votive offerings in rural houses - popular traditions with deep roots.

Lunch

Chair : Csilla Zatykó

- 14.00-14.30 Jean-Marie Blaising (FR/LU), Pratiques chrétiennes et magie entre la Lorraine et le Luxembourg.
- 14.30-15.00 Heinrich Stiewe (DE), Magic drillholes, marks and „witch letters“, traces of everyday-magic practices in farmhouses of Northwest Germany.
- 15.00-15.30 Walter R. Wheeler (US), Apotropaic Practices in the New World Dutch Cultural Hearth.
- 15.30-16.00 Iris Niessen (CH), Building sacrifices" and magical protection - a study at canton Graubünden.

Coffee-break

Chair: Claudia Theune

16.30-17.30 *final discussion*

Poster:

- Miriam Surek-Steinborn (DE), Zur Gründungstopographie frühmittelalterlicher Klöster im ländlichen Umfeld.
- Edit Sárosi (HU), Early Monastic Complexes in Medieval Rural Hungary.
- Csilla Zatykó (HU), Pilgrimage, patron saint's day and eastern perambulation: religiously motivated travels in Medieval Hungary.
- Marianne Hem Eriksen (NO), The ritualisation of the Scandinavian-style longhouse in the Iron Age (ca. AD 400-1000).
- Jan van Doesburg (NL), Between heaven and hell: religious and secular pewter badges and medieval rural society.
- *Sonja Koenig/Stephan Krabath (DE), Memoria und Glaubensbekenntnis – Von Landmarken zu Grabsteinikonographie in Ostfriesland (not confirmed)*
- *Gyorfi Zalan (RO), unknown title*

Details of Excursions:

Half day-excursion 1, Wednesday, 9 September 2015 (Afternoon trip):

- 14.00 Departure from Clervaux
- 14.30 - 15.30 Hachiville and "Helzener Klaus": spring, chapel and hermitage
- 16.00 - 17.30 Kaundorf, "Pirminsknupp" : spring, chapel, hermitage and farmhouse
- 17.50 - 18.35 Rindschleiden : spring and chapel
- 19.20 - 19.55 Clervaux : Loreto-chapel and hermitage
- 20.00 - *Dinner at Hotel Koener offered by Uni.Lu*

Half day-excursion 2, Thursday, 10 september 2015 (Afternoon trip):

- 14.00 Departure from Clervaux
- 14.45 - 14.55 Vichten: church with reemployed roman head and roman mosaic
- 15.15 - 15.30 Ospern: church with reemployed roman sculpture
- 15.50 - 16.20 Arlon (B), old St. Martin: original church outside of the town
- 16.35 - 17.35 Clairfontaine, abbey
- 18.00 - 19.00 Beckerich-"Kahlenberg": chapel in the forest
- 19.00 - 21.00 *Dinner at the restaurant "op der millen" at Beckerich offered by the Municipality of Beckerich*

Optional Weekend excursion:

Friday, 11 September 2015, Transit from Clervaux to Echternach (Bus for those without car, please take your private-cars with you, we will not come back to Clervaux !)

- 18.30 - 19h30 check-in Youth hostel and dinner at the Youth hostel

Saturday, 12 September 2015, Daytrip

- 09.00 Departure from Echternach
- 09.10 - 10.10 Houlay
- 10.25 - 10.40 Beaufort castle and Larochette castle (no visit, only short stay)
- 11.00 - 14.30 Diekirch, St Laurentius church, museum, lunch
- 15.00 - 19.00 Echternach, visit of roman villa, SS Peter and Paul church, basilica and abbey museum
- 20.00 Dinner at the Youth hostel

Sunday, 13 September 2015, Daytrip

- 08.30 Checkout Youth hostel
- 09.15 Departure from Echternach (Bus for those without car, please take your private cars with you, we will not come back to Echternach but organize a meeting point where we can leave our cars near to the city)
- 09.30 - 10.00 Girsterklaus
- 10.20 - 10.35 Hersberg/Altrier (Marieneiche)
- 11.00 - 11.30 Schetzel, hermitage in the wood, spring (optional, if the weather conditions are bad, this point will be replaced by Neumünster- abbey)
- 11.45 - 12.00 "Eecherbiërg" in the city of Luxembourg (Peter Unruh and Quarry)
- 12.10 - 12.30 St Quirinus chapel
(Neumünster-abbey, optional)
- 12.50 - 14.00 Lunch at the National Museum (MNHA)
- 14.00 - Open end visit of the old town of Luxembourg-city (National museum, Bock-castle, actual excavation etc. ...)