



Medieval Monastic Regions in Central Europe - The Spiritual and Physical Landscape Setting of Monastic Orders and Religious Houses



2nd international, interdisciplinary workshop on Benedictine Monasticism and Religious Houses in Central Europe – Monks and Nuns, Monasteries and Canonesses Houses

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Program

Sunday, October 4th

- 14.00-14.20 Hedwig Röckelein and József Laszlovszky: Introduction
- 14.20-14.50 Prof. József Laszlovszky, PhD, CEU Budapest: "Monastic regions as monastic landscapes? Monasticism, mission and rulers"
- 14.50-15.20 Edit Sárosi, PhD student, CEU Budapest - Cultural Heritage Office: "Early Monastic Complexes in the Danube-Tisza Interfluvium Region in Hungary: Problems of Identification and Localization"
- 15.20-15.50 Coffee break
- 16.20-16.50 Prof. Peter Aufgebauer, PhD, University of Göttingen, Institute for Regional History: "The Handbook of Lower-Saxon Monasteries and the Dynamic of Monastic Landscapes"
- 16.50-17.20 Ulrike Matzke, M.A., University of Göttingen, Doctoral Program of the State of Lower Saxony in cooperation with the Ducal Library Wolfenbüttel: "Convent life and princely rule in Late Medieval Lower Saxony: Fifteenth-Century Monastic policy in the Harz Region"
- 17.20-17.50 James Bond, B.A., F.S.A., M.I.F.A., Visiting Fellow, University of Bristol: "Premonstratensian houses in England with a comparative view to the continent"
- 18.30 Dinner at Brunshausen

Monday, October 5th

- 09.00-09.10 Hedwig Röckelein: Introduction
- 09.10-09.40 Matthias Zirm, Dipl.Ing., M.Sc., University of Halle-Wittenberg, Doctoral student of the Research Program Frauenstift Gandersheim: "New methodological approaches to the archeological ceramics of the Brunshausen monastery – a Reevaluation"
- 09.40-10.10 Christian Popp, PhD, Germania Sacra at the Academy of Sciences Göttingen, Post-Doc of the Research Program Frauenstift Gandersheim: "Relics and Saints of the Gandersheim Convent"

10.10-10.40 Coffee break

10.40-11.10 Maria Julia Hartgen, Göttingen University, Assistant of the Research Program Frauenstift Gandersheim: "Elisabeth Ernestine Antonie von Sachsen-Meiningen (1681–1766), 51th abbess of the house of canonesses in Gandersheim"

11.10-11.40 Inke Beckmann, M.A., Göttingen University, Assistant of the Research Program Frauenstift Gandersheim: "The digital reconstruction of material remains of the religious house in Gandersheim with the inventory system OPAL (Online Portal of Digitized Cultural Assets of Lower Saxony)"

11.40-13.10 Lunch at Brunshausen

13.20 Excursions to Gandersheim, Medieval Canonesses' Church and Baroque Abbesses' House; Brunshausen, Museum in the Gothic Monastery Church; Clus, Rural domain and Convent Church

Dinner at Brunshausen or Gandersheim

Tuesday, October 6th

09.00-09.10 Introduction (Hedwig Röckelein)

09.10-09.40 (em.) Prof. Michael Richter, PhD, Berlin (formerly University of Konstanz): "The early medieval Irish monastic landscape: a world without Benedict"

09.40-10.10 Marianne Sághy, Associate Professor, CEU Budapest: "Monks to Hermits: Saint Günther and the Eremitic Revival in 11th-century Hungary"

10.10-10.40 Mircea Dulus, PhD student, CEU Budapest: "Norman Kingship and Monastic Orders in Sicily: Roger II (1130-1154), Benedictines and the Foundation of San Salvatore in Messina"

10.40-11.10 Coffee break

11.10-11.40 Alison Beach, PhD, actually at the University of Trier: "The Reform of Petershausen in a Changing Religious Landscape"

11.40-12.10 Fiona Griffiths, PhD, New York University: "Inseparable Companions. Women and the Apostles in the Twelfth Century"

12.10-13.40 Lunch at Brunshausen

13.40-14.10 Thomas Labusiak, PhD, Director of "Portal zur Geschichte" (Bad Gandersheim), Post-Doc of the Research Program Frauenstift Gandersheim: "Illustrations in Benedictine rules"

14.10-14.40 Eszter Czoma, M.A., Museum of Fine Arts (Szépművészeti Múzeum) Budapest: "The sculpture program of the cloisters Ss. Pietro et Orso in Aosta"

14.40-15.10 Béla Zsolt Szakács, Associate Professor, CEU Budapest: "Regional aspects of romanesque monastic architecture in Hungary"

15.10-15.40 Coffee break

15.40-16.10 Katharina Mersch, M.A., University of Göttingen, former doctoral student of the International Max-Planck Research School Göttingen: "Baptismal fonts in benedictine nunneries and canonesses houses in 12th century Germany: Liturgy, objects and social meaning"

16.10-16.40 Stanislava Kuzmova, PhD student, CEU Budapest: "The Holy Bishop, the Monks and the Canons. The Cult of St. Stanislaus of Cracow in a Monastic Landscape"

16.40-17.10 Hedwig Röckelein and József Laszlovszky: Conclusion

Dinner for those who are staying another night at Gandersheim

Wednesday, October 7th

Morning: Transfer to Wolfenbüttel (with an excursion to Goslar) for those who are participating in the Conference at the Ducal Library from October 7-9th.

Further participants (in alphabetical order)

- Prof. David Beard, Oxford University
- Jörg Bölling, PhD, University of Göttingen
- Prof. Martin Homza, PhD, University of Bratislava
- Jasmin Hoven, M.A., Germania Sacra at the Academy of Sciences at Göttingen, Doctoral student at the University of Greifswald
- Timo Kirschberger, Assistant , University of Göttingen
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- Prof. Eva Schlotheuber, PhD, University of Münster
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- Prof. Hans-Georg Stephan, PhD, University of Halle-Wittenberg, Archaeological Consultant in the Research Project Frauenstift Gandersheim

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Location of the Workshop:

Brunshausen, Gothic Monastery Church, Museum's area, First floor

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From **Hamburg Airport** please take the ICE to Hannover or Autobahn A 7 towards Hannover



Intercity (IC), Regionalbahn (RB) or Metronom (Me) from Hannover towards Göttingen or contrarywise to Kreiensen. Change in Kreiensen into Regionalbahn RE towards Bad Harzburg exit at Bad Gandersheim then you could take a Taxi or walk (about 3 km or 45 minutes).

Walk down Bahnhofstraße and then turn left into Moritzstraße follow Neustadt and Hildesheimer Straße (see below on the maps).



From the north: Autobahn A 7 towards Kassel, Exit 67 Seesen onto Bundesstraße B248 towards Osterode/Bad Gandersheim/Seesen turn right at B 243/248 Osterode/Bad Gandersheim, at B64 turn right towards Gandersheim/B64 Holzminden, Ecit Dannhausen/Hildesheim, turn right at L489, turn left at K 632, at *Brunshausen/K632* turn right, turn right to the Parking Area of *Portal zu Geschichte/ Monastery of Brunshausen*

From the south: Autobahn A 7 towards Hannover, Exit 68 Echte onto Bundesstraße B445 towards Kreiensen/Bad Gandersheim/Kalefeld K641/Northeimer Straße onward *Moritzstraße* towards at Markt turn right; then turn left to stay on Markt, onward *Burgstraße*, then keep left Am Plan onward *Neustadt*, follow *Hildesheimer Straße* (see below on the map) at *Brunshausen/K632* turn left and then right to the Parking Area of *Portal zu Geschichte/ Monastery of Brunshausen*

Location Maps





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