

## CONCEPT

The meeting aims at discussing the discourses triggered by processes of migration and expansion during the mediaeval millennium. An important trait of such debates in past and present is the tendency to portray one's own lifeworld as endangered by mingling. Notions of purity and pollution thus play a role for discourses of migration and require careful analysis. They are but one variant of resistance to alleged or factual mixing and form part of the wider field of persistence or resilience to foreign influences. It was momentous both for those migrating and for the societies they encountered. The relation between these two groups became particularly dramatic in cases of military expansion and conquest. How did the subjects consider the new lords, how did they depict and narrate foreign rule, under which conditions could "they" become "we", in which circumstances was alterity constructed, upheld or reinforced?

The interconnections between migration, mobility, mingling and persistence shall be analyzed both on a theoretical scale and with reference to concrete spaces and times. The meeting is therefore organized in four major sessions comprising fifteen talks by internationally renowned historians. The first session will be dedicated to discussing more general and theoretical notions of movement and mixing in the Middle Ages. Sections two to four will consist of case studies from a broad range of different periods and areas. The talks are grouped chronologically and thematically. These case studies, too, will not so much focus on the actual processes of migration, but rather center on the reactions to it.

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### PROGRAMME

#### Thursday, July 27

Venue: Universitätsbibliothek Heidelberg,  
Plöck 107-109, Handschriftenlesesaal

##### 14.45–15.00

Nikolas Jaspert (Heidelberg)  
*Welcome and Introduction – Begrüßung und Einführung*

##### Section I:

Chair: Marc von der Höh (Rostock)

##### 15.00–15.45

Gert Melville (Dresden)  
*Die Reinheit der Regel. Über eine klösterliche Leitidee und ihre Grenzen*

##### 15.45–16.30

Harald Derschka (Konstanz)  
*Mischung in der mittelalterlichen Naturlehre*

Coffee Break

##### 17.00–17.45

Ragnhild Zorgati (Oslo)  
*Debates and Rulings concerning Mixed Marriages in the Middle Ages*

##### 17.45–18.30

Walter Pohl (Wien)  
*Völkerwanderung: Migrationen, Reichsbildungen, Persistenzen*

#### Friday, July 28

Venue: Universitätsbibliothek Heidelberg,  
Plöck 107-109, Handschriftenlesesaal

##### Section II:

Chair: Klaus Oschema (Bochum)

##### 09.30–10.15

Patrick Geary (Princeton)  
*Integration and Persistence in post-Migration Longobard Society: Textual and Genomic evidence*

##### 10.15–11.00

Steffen Patzold (Tübingen)  
*Verortung in einer mobilen Welt: Diskurse vom Wandern und Bleiben im Karolingerreich*

Coffee Break

##### 11.30–12.15

Jörg Peltzer (Heidelberg)  
*Eroberung und Behauptung: Angelsachsen und Normannen*

##### 12.15–13.00

Anti Selart (Tartu)  
*Post hoc oder propter hoc? Eroberung, Einwanderung und Gesellschaftswandel im mittelalterlichen Livland*

Lunch Break

##### Section III:

Chair: Jenny Oesterle (Heidelberg)

##### 14.30–15.15

Stephan Conermann (Bonn)  
*Nomaden und Mamluken – ein schwieriges Verhältnis*

##### 15.15–16.00

Nora Berend (Cambridge)  
*Tales of Migration in Hungary*

Coffee Break

##### 16.30–17.15

Miriam Frenkel (Jerusalem)  
*In Praise of Migration: Mobility as an Organizing Principle in Medieval Jewish Society under Islam*

##### 17.15–18.00

David Nirenberg (Chicago)  
*Migrating Souls, Persistent Blood: Jewish and Muslim Conversion in Medieval and Early Modern Spain*

#### Saturday, July 29

Venue: Karl Jaspers Centre, Voßstraße 2

##### Section IV:

Chair: Johannes Heil (Heidelberg)

##### 09.00–09.45

Daniel König (Heidelberg)  
*Migratorische Zwischenepisoden? Die Kreuzfahrerstaaten aus arabisch-islamischer Sicht*

##### 09.45–10.30

Johannes Pahlitzsch (Mainz)  
*Das Lateinische Kaiserreich von Byzanz aus byzantinischer Sicht*

Coffee Break

##### 11.00–11.45

Lioba Geis (Köln)  
*Wechselnde Fremdherrschaften? Erfahrung und Bewältigung migrationsbedingter Umbrüche in Süditalien*

##### 11.45–12.30

Bernd Schneidmüller (Heidelberg)  
*Conclusion and Final Discussion – Schlussbemerkung und Abschlussdiskussion*