

JUSTICE AND RULERSHIP

- 15.30 Aitor Fernández Delgado** (Universidad de Alcalá):
De iustitia et iure: Legal Imperial Foundations of Power and Its International Projection in Justinian's Era
- 16.00 Javier Albarrán** (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid):
The Just Ruler: Notions of Justice and Power in al-Andalus
- 16.30 Shainool Jiwa** (Institute of Ismaili Studies London):
Evolution of the Fatimid Models of Governance (909–996 CE)
- 17.00** Discussion
- 17.30** Coffee Break
- 18.00 Adrián Díaz-Plaza Casal** (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid):
Rex Legislator. Law, an Element of Royal Projection of Public Power in León (10th–11th Centuries)
- 18.30 Rodrigo Hernández Tapia** (Universitat de Barcelona):
Mercy and Justice in Two Twelfth-Century Chronicles: The Cases of Diego Gelmírez and Alfonso VII
- 19.00** Discussion
- 19.30** Conclusions

Simon Barton Conference Prize
Society for the Medieval Mediterranean

Coordination and contact:

Javier Albarrán (UAM)

javier.albarran@uam.es

Pablo Poveda Arias (UVa)

pablo.poveda@uva.es

Organising entities:

UAM

Universidad Autónoma
de Madrid



Universidad de Valladolid

Collaborating organisations:



Society for the
Medieval Mediterranean



Instituto Universitario de
Historia Simancas
Universidad de Valladolid

ATAETHIS
Grupo de Investigación en
ANTIGÜEDAD TARDÍA Y ALTA EDAD MEDIA EN HISPANIA



Asociación
Jimena



Casa Árabe
البيت العربي



International Conference PERCEPTIONS OF JUSTICE IN THE CHRISTIAN AND ISLAMIC MEDITERRANEAN (500–1200)

Casa Árabe | Madrid
(Salón de Embajadores)

14–15
March

DESCRIPTION

It may seem obvious to state that religion had a central impact on the articulation of medieval societies in all their dimensions. However, we sometimes underestimate or overlook the impact it had in some fields, such as justice. Christianity and Islam, but also Judaism, gave their own particularities to the different notions of justice that arose in the different political realities of the Mediterranean during the Middle Ages.

The main aim of this conference will be to analyse the different theoretical perceptions that developed around the notion of justice in the Mediterranean between 500-1200. To this end, a number of case studies have been selected from diverse thematic, chronological, geographical and cultural backgrounds. A comparative and intercultural analysis of justice in the first centuries of the Middle Ages will also allow to see the margins of transculturality, i.e. of mutual influence, between cultural spheres that are, a priori, very different.



THURSDAY, 14TH MARCH

15.30 Opening

RELIGIOUS/ECCLESIASTICAL VIEWS ON JUSTICE

- 15.45 **Peter Van Nuffelen** (Ghent University):
On the Moral Principles of Justice in the Christian Mediterranean (5th–6th Centuries)
- 16.15 **Pablo Poveda Arias** (Universidad de Valladolid):
Notions of Justice in Visigothic Iberia: The Ecclesiastical Point of View
- 16.45 **Alice van den Bosch** (University of Exeter):
Judging the Judge: Perceptions of Judicial Figures in Christian and Islamic Discourses
- 17.15 Discussion
- 17.45 Coffee Break
- 18.15 **Michael W. Heil** (University of Arkansas at Little Rock):
Justice and the Canons in the Lombard Kingdom of Italy
- 18.45 **Omar Alí de Unzaga** (Institute of Ismaili Studies London):
The Semantics of Justice in Fatimid Cairo: Legitimacy, Fairness and Truth vs. Usurpation, Wrongdoing and Falsity in the Lectures of al-Mu'ayyad fī'l-Dīn al-Shīrāzī (d. 1078)
- 19.15 **Marco Büttner** (Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz):
Notions of Justice and Just War in the Context of 11th and 12th Centuries Crusade Movement
- 19.45 Discussion

FRIDAY, 15TH MARCH

JUSTICE AND LAW

- 9.00 **Juan Alejandro González Nestares** (Universidad de Salamanca):
Nisi regie potestatis electio iusta et honesta permiserit esse credendum.
Unfreedom and Perceived Untrustworthiness in Visigothic Iberia
- 9.30 **Magali Coumert** (Université de Tours):
The Inspired Correction of Written Law in the Carolingian World
- 10.00 **Maribel Fierro** (ILC-CSIC):
Performing Justice: Judges in Action in Andalusí Biographical Dictionaries
- 10.30 Discussion
- 11.00 Coffee Break
- 11.30 **Delfina Serrano** (ILC-CSIC):
Jews and Christians appeal to the Sultan: redressing injustice (*mazalim*) in al-Andalus
- 12.00 **Abel Lorenzo-Rodríguez** (Universidad de Santiago de Compostela | Centro Ramon Piñeiro para as Humanidades):
Pronum ad malum: Legal Prologues and Penal Purpose in the *Liber Iudicum* (Iberia, Ninth–Twelfth centuries)
- 12.30 **Philippa Byrne** (Trinity College Dublin):
Justice and Injustice Between Law and Theology in Norman Sicily
- 13.00 Discussion
- 13.30 Lunch