LAW & LEGAL AGREEMENTS 600-1250
Cambridge University 12-13 January 2018
Voices of Law: Language, Text and Practice
Friday 12 January 2018
Registration 09:15- 09:45
Housekeeping Notices & Welcome 09:45-10:00

KEYNOTE: THINKING IN PAIRS: LAW AND LANGUAGE IN MEDIEVAL WALES
– CHAIR: PAUL RUSSELL
10:00-11:00
ROBIN CHAPMAN STACEY (UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON)

COFFEE BREAK 11:00-11:30

PANEL 1: LEGAL AGREEMENTS AND DISAGREEMENTS – CHAIR: HAN NIJDAM
11:30-13:00

Alice Taylor (Cambridge University) – Gúbretha Caratniad: Agreement and Disagreement in the Classroom

Keith Ruiter (University of Aberdeen) – Agreeing to Disagree: Exploring the Violent Power of Language in Early Scandinavian Disputes

Paul Russell (Cambridge University) – Insult, Shame and Disgrace: Legal Register in Medieval Welsh Law

LUNCH 13:00-14:00
PANEL 2: LEGAL AGREEMENTS AND BORDERS – CHAIR: MATTHEW MCHAFFIE
14:00-15:30

Jenny Benham (Cardiff University) – Exile, Arbitration and Trade: "International" Law, 700-1200

Alex Sigston (Cambridge University) – Aliens across the Border: Regulating the alltud in Medieval Wales

Lucy Hennings (Oxford University) – International Arbitration from Magna Carta to the Mise of Amiens

COFFEE BREAK 15:30-15:45

PANEL 3: LEGAL AGREEMENTS: WITNESSES AND TESTIMONY – CHAIR SARA PONS-SANZ
15:45-17:15

David Peterson (Universidad de Burgos) – Generic Witnesses in Spanish Charters

Megan Welton (University of Notre Dame) – Witnesses, Intercessors and Tenth-Century Practice in Anglo-Saxon England and Late Carolingian Francia

Rebecca Searby (University of York) – Constructing Jewish Testimony in the Court Coram Rege

RECEPTION 17:15-18:30

Conference Dinner 19:00
PANEL 1: LAW, SIN AND JUDGEMENT – CHAIR: CAROLE HOUGH

09:30-11:00

Stefan Jurasinski (State University of New York) – The Ordeal in Anglo-Saxon England: Reconsidering Felix Liebermann's *Judicia Dei*

Lukas Bothe (Free University of Berlin) – From Debt to Sin? Wergild Liability and the Evolution of Individual Guilt in Frankish Law (c.6th-C.9thC)

R. Gwynedd Parry (Swansea University) – *Awdl yr Haearn Twym*: A Poetic take on trial by ordeal in Medieval Wales

COFFEE BREAK 11:00-11:30

PANEL 2: LEGAL AGREEMENTS AND PROPERTY RIGHTS – CHAIR MELISSA JULIAN-JONES

11:30-13:00

Jacqueline Bemmer (University of Vienna) – Pledge-contracts entered by women? Exploring the evidence in Early Irish Law Texts c.650-750AD

Gianmarco De Angelis (University of Padua) – Written documents and spoken words, impostures and violence: Claiming rights and properties in Early Medieval Italy (c.800-c.1100)

Emma Cavell (Swansea University) – Foreign Practices and Native Agreements: Widows and their dower in Pre-Conquest Wales

LUNCH 13:00-14:00
LAW AND LANGUAGE ROUNDTABLE
CHAIR: STEPHEN WHITE (EMORY UNIVERSITY)

14:00-15:00

REFRESHMENTS 15:00-15:30

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