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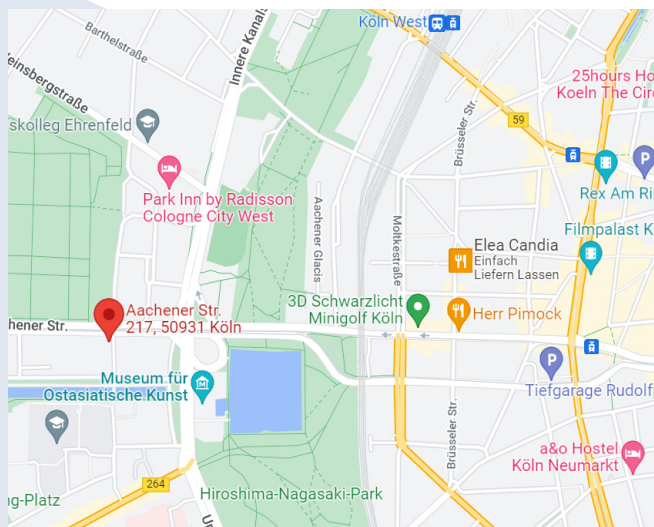


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- 09.30-10.00 Welcome and Introduction: Eva-Maria Cersovsky (University of Cologne) and Julia Exarchos (RWTH Aachen)
- 10.00-11.00 **KEYNOTE: Jeremy Goldberg** (University of York)
“They Put Them Out, Both Males and Females, to Hard Service and in the Houses of Other People”: English Servanthood in Comparative Perspective
Chair: Karl Ubl (University of Cologne)

11.00-11.30 *Coffee Break*

SESSION 1: DOMESTIC SERVICE AND WORK IN URBAN AND RURAL CONTEXTS

Chair: Sabine von Heusinger (University of Cologne)

- 11.30-12.15 **Dorothee Rippmann** (UZH Zürich)
Gender, Work, and Visibility: The Examples of Agriculture and Textile Production (15th and 16th Centuries)
- 12.15-13.00 **Eyal Levinson** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
“If there Is an Elderly Woman in the Home, there Is a Treasure in the Home”: Work, Old Age, and Conceptualizations of Gender Among Medieval Ashkenazi Jews
- 13.00-14.00 *Lunch Break*
- 14.00-14.45 **Jacqueline Turek** (RWTH Aachen)
Gender-Specific Aspects of Domestic Service: Work, Wages, and Migration of Male and Female Servants in Late Medieval Southern Germany

SESSION 2: PROSTITUTION AND UNFREE LABOR

Chair: Julia Exarchos (RWTH Aachen)

- 14.45-15.30 **Jamie Page** (Independent Scholar)
Sex, Work, and Social Identity: Evidence from Late Medieval Europe
- 15.30-16.00 *Coffee Break*
- 16.00-16.45 **Michael Hammer** (University College of Teacher Education Styria)
Prostitution in the Late Medieval “Frauenhaus” – Sex Work between Slavery and Protection?
- 16.45-17.30 **Angela Zhang** (Harvard University)
“She Keeps the House”: Enslaved Labor in the Racializing Processes of Late-Medieval Florence
- 17.45-18.45 **KEYNOTE: Judith Bennett** (University of Southern California)
Poor Women and the Intimate Labor of Sex in Late Medieval England
Chair: Eva-Maria Cersovsky (University of Cologne)
- 19.30 *Dinner*

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SESSION 3: MILITARY AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICES

Chair: Julia Bruch (University of Cologne)

- 9.00-9.45 **Edward Loss** (I Tatti, Harvard University Research Center)
Far from the Exception: Female Couriers and Information Gatherers in Late Medieval Italy
- 9.45-10.30 **Markus Jansen** (University of Cologne)
Women of War. Urban Women and Martial Service in the Late Middle Ages

10.30-11.00 *Coffee Break*

SESSION 4: SERVING AND WORKING IN RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES

Chair: Lioba Geis (University of Cologne)

- 11.00-11.45 **Adrian Kammerer** (University of Cologne)
Male and Female Tertiaries as Workers at Dominican Convents: A Gendered Approach
- 11.45-12.30 **Emma Gabe** (University of Toronto)
Lay Sisters, Social Status, and Labor in Late Medieval Female Monasteries
- 12.30-13.30 *Lunch*

SESSION 5: SERVING AND WORKING IN TEXTILE PRODUCTION

Chair: Milan Pajic (Free University of Berlin)

- 13.30-14.15 **Marco Tomaszewski** (University of Freiburg)
Gender, Age, and Status in the Export-Production of Linen. A Multi-Relational Approach (St. Gallen, 15th/ 16th Century)
- 14.15-15.00 **Ivana Lemcool** (University of Belgrade)
Donors or Embroiderers: Late Medieval Serbian Noblewomen and their Votive Textiles
- 15.00-15.15 *Coffee Break*
- 15.15-16.00 **Meagan Khoury** (Stanford University)
Silken Sensualities and Wayward Women: High and Low Cultural Labor in Early Modern Bologna
- 16.00 Concluding Remarks