Leeds International Medieval Congress
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Call for Papers

The Medieval Papacy, 500-1500

IMC 2020 will witness the inauguration of a new, and hopefully recurring strand on the Medieval papacy. The topic of this strand is intentionally broad, embracing any and all research which intersects with the successors of St Peter between c.500 and c.1500. The purpose of this strand is to cross borders and boundaries: it is hoped that proposals will be received from scholars at all career stages, from scholars of all countries and from scholars looking at all periods of the Medieval papacy.

Because the popes interacted with every part of Christendom (and many areas outside it too), there are many differing national historiographies and methodological approaches to studying the papacy. These sessions will encourage engagement across different traditions. Equally the papacy impacted on many aspects of Medieval life and so many medievalists must deal with popes at some point. These sessions will therefore also serve as an introduction to the latest work being done on the papacy for medievalists in other fields.

Proposals for twenty-minute papers are welcomed from scholars at all stages. Any topic which engages with the Medieval papacy is deemed relevant, including those on post-Medieval historiography. Topics can also discuss the conference theme of ‘Borders’, although this is in no way essential. A roundtable discussion of the Medieval papacy is also possible; please indicate your interest in being part of it.

Bene Valete!

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