

## Organization

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## Registration and information

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**The conference will be in hybrid format.**

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## International conference



## Community, Identity, Individuals: Shaping the (Political) Nation in Premodern Europe

May 3-5, 2023





## Wednesday, 3 May

9:00 Opening speech

9:15 Éloïse Adde (CEU, Vienna) *Introduction*

9:45–12:15

### 1. Before or without the nation

**Chair: Walter Pohl (University of Vienna)**

**Patrick Geary (IAS, Princeton)** *The Pre-History of the Medieval Nation: from the Imperium Romanum to Regna in Late Antiquity (400–800)*

**Daniel Ziemann (CEU, Vienna)** *From Bulgars to Bulgarians – The Problem of National Identity in the First Bulgarian Realm (681–1018)*

**Break**

**Igor Mineo (University of Palermo)** *A nationless space? Autonomies and state building processes in the Italian peninsula*

**Michael Depreter (University of Oxford)** *From merchant to soldier: what is in a nation?*

**Lunch**

13:45–16:15

### 2. The sources of the nation. Imperial idea, confession, regions

**Chair: Andreas Zajic (IMAFo, AAS, Vienna)**

**Przemysław Wiszewski (University of Wrocław)** *Medieval communities on the border. Catalonia, Silesia, and Transylvania – on the verge between nation and regional community.*

**Daniel Bagi (ELTE, Budapest)** *Nation building, regional identity in the Styrian Rhymed Chronicle of Otacher aus der Gaal*

**Break**

**Len Scales (University of Durham)** *“For love of you I have given up my Saxons and all Germans.” Emperors, Rome, and nation*

**Mikhail V. Dmitriev** *Natio and confessio in medieval Rus’: what was different from medieval Poland and the “Latin” West?*

**Break**

16:45–17:45

### 3. Defining and delimiting national communities. Internal and external forces in interplay

**Chair: Katalin Szende (CEU, Vienna)**

**Cathleen Sarti (University of Oxford)** *The Importance of the “Other” – Emerging National Identity in Scandinavia, 1397–1599*

**Roman Tymoshevskiy (CEU, Vienna)** *The ruler’s depositions and political community in England and Holy Roman Empire, 1298–1327*

## Thursday, 4 May

9:00–10:00

### 3. Defining and delimiting national communities. Internal and external forces in interplay

**Chair: Katalin Szende (CEU, Vienna)**

**Jakub Razim (Palacký University, Oloumco)** *Excommunication as a tool for shaping a legal and religious community. A case study on a canonical procedure in medieval Bohemia*

**Eric Bousmar (Saint-Louis University, Brussels)** *The Burgundian State Formation from Within and from Below. A view from Hainault: networks, dynasty, and nation in the eyes of the memorialist Jean de Haynin*

**Break**

10:30–12:30

### 4. Images and symbols of the nation. Between self-perception and (self-)representation

**Chair: Jonathan Dumont (IMAFo, AAS, Vienna)**

**Flocel Sabate (University of Lleida)** *The Catalan nation in the late Middle Ages: perception and representation*

**Mario Damen (University of Amsterdam)** *The construction and perception of a legal landscape in the late medieval Low Countries*

**Break**

**Marcin R. Pauk (University of Warsaw)** *Saint patron, peace, and princely jurisdiction: the process of early institutionalization of state power in Central Europe (12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> century)*

**Lunch**

14:00–17:00

### 5. Narration, language(s), history, literature. Nation as a cultural project?

**Chair: Anja Božič (CEU, Vienna)**

**Claudia Wittig (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)** *Administrating History. “National” History and State Building in Later Medieval France*

**Benoît Grévin (CNRS, Paris)** *Natio or lingua? Revisiting a semantic couple (1200–1600)*

**Break**

**Julia Verkholantsev (University of Pennsylvania)** *The Dynamics of Literary Beginnings and the Question of National Narrative: the Cases of Czech, Polish and Croatian Literatures*

**Arthur Pérodeau (EHESS, Paris)** *Analyzing the national feeling through the interest in historical works. The spread and reception of Cosmas’ chronicle till the beginning of the 13<sup>th</sup> century*

**Camille Rutsaert (UCL, Louvain-la-Neuve/Saint-Louis University, Brussels)** *Duchesse Joanna (1355–1406) and the idea of a Brabant’s Nation. An historical representation or an historiographical construction?*

## Friday, 5 May

9:00–12:00

### 6. The “nation of the individuals”. Subjectivity, emotions, stereotypes, expectations

**Chair: Balazs Nagy (ELTE, Budapest and CEU, Vienna)**

**Philippe Urfalino (EHESS, Paris)** *The nation, as a collection of individuals*

**Andrzej Pleszczyński (UMCS, Lublin)** *The genesis and character of the Polish self-stereotype as a determinant of cultural and national identity*

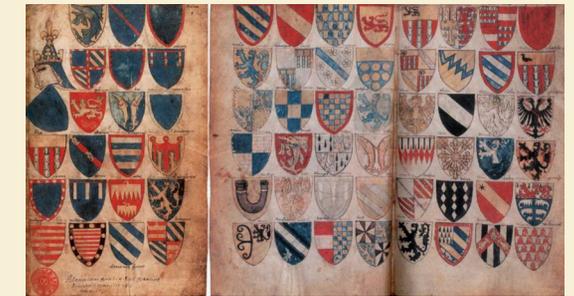
**Break**

**Corinne Leveaux (University of Orleans)** *Writing law in 13<sup>th</sup> century France. Between social expectations and political communication*

**Julia Burkhardt (LMU, Munich)** *A nation and its foreigners. Discourses and possibilities of political participation in Hungary (1490–1526)*

**Michał Machalski (CEU, Vienna)** *Loyalty and Language in the Warsaw Trial of 1339*

**Concluding discussion 12:00–13:00**



**Images:**

*Armorial Bellenville* [1401–1500], Bibliothèque nationale de France, MS Français 5230, ff. 1r–2r

*The Chronicle of the so-called Dalimil*, Latin Fragment [1330–1346], Národní knihovna České republiky, Prague, XIL.E.17, f. 1v

