



April 28-29, 2023

Albert the Great on the Human Being

An Inter-disciplinary Colloquium

The imago Dei
Epistemology
Man as a social animal
Virtue and human finality
Contemplation and beatitude



Friday, April 28

9,00 Welcome Addresses

Session 1: Imago Dei

9,15 Isabelle Moulin (University of Strasbourg): Le vestige comme l' "autre" image chez Albert le Grand

9,45 Sebastien Milazzo (University of Strasbourg): L'imago Dei dans le traité *De angelorum creatione*

10,15 Discussion

10,45 Break

Session 2: The Limits of Nature

11,00 Fabio de Gregorio (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science): Albert the Great's Physics of the Human Soul in Judah Romano's Commentary on Genesis 1,1-2,4 (1330)

11,30 Amos Bertolacci (Scuola IMT Alti Studi, Lucca): Strategies of Human Divinization: Avicenna and Albert the Great

12,00 Discussion

12,30 Lunch

Session 3: Platonic Themes

15,00 Alessandra Beccarisi (Università degli Studi di Foggia): Neoplatonic Theories in Albert the Great's Gospel of Matthew

15,30 Dominic Dold (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science): Albert the Great on Meno's Paradox

16,00 Discussion

16,30 Break

Session 4: Epistemology

16,45 Paul D. Hellmeier (LMU, Munich): Of Bats and Eagles. What they See and what they Do Not See: Two Key Metaphors for Human Knowledge in Albertus Magnus

17,15 Thérèse Scarpelli Cory (Univ. of Notre Dame, USA): The Self-knowing Soul in Albert the Great

17,45 Discussion

18,30 End of Day 1

Saturday, April 29

Session 5: Empirical Knowledge

- 9,00 Katja Krause (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science): Albert and Scientific Experience
- 9,30 Paloma Hernández Rubio (Univ. Autónoma Metropolitana, Mexico): Grasping the Naked Individual: Albert the Great on Common Sensation in *De homine*
- 10,00 Discussion
- 10,30 Break

Session 6: The Social Animal

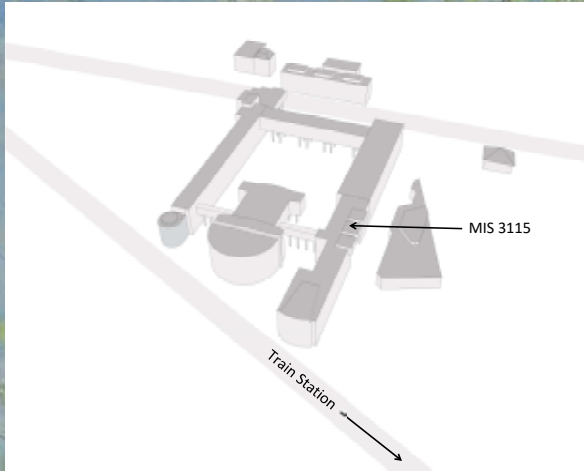
- 11,00 Hans-Joachim Schmidt (University of Fribourg): Social Cohesion and the Defence of Private Life
- 11,30 Bernhard Blankenhorn (University of Fribourg): L'homme comme être social et ecclésial selon Albert le Grand
- 12,00 Discussion
- 12,30 Lunch

Session 7: Virtue and Perfection

- 14,45 Tobias Hoffmann (Sorbonne, Paris): Albert the Great's Early Account of Prudence
- 15,15 Tracy Wietecha (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science): Becoming a Moral Subject: *civilitas* in Albert the Great's Ethical Commentaries
- 15,45 Discussion
- 16,15 Break

Session 8: God and Human Knowledge

- 16,30 Franklin Harkins (Boston College): Divine Providence and Human Knowledge in Albert's *Super Iob*
- 17,00 Meghan Duke (Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.): God's Infinitude in Albert's Thought on the Beatific Vision
- 17,30 Discussion
- 18,00 Concluding Remarks and Discussion of Future Steps
- 18,30 End of the Colloquium



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