



Current project

Collective identities and group solidarities in the late Middle Ages

Information

Title: Collective identities and group solidarities in the late Middle Ages ('*Identidades colectivas y solidaridades de grupo en la baja edad media*')



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Summary

ICYSG studies expressions of late-medieval collective identity (faction, universitas, municipality, Crown, nation, Cortes, General, estate, etc.) and its mechanisms, in order to specify its functioning as a form of group solidarities and to assess its contents, intersection and permeability, and the fit between the various existing groups, as well as its transversality between the various social and estate bodies. It focusses on the Iberian framework, with special attention to the Crown of Aragon, due to its features of political structure (force of the estates and invoked representativeness of municipalities and General Diputations in front to a weak monarchy). The ICYSG culminates the previous journey progressively carried out by the promotor group in the study of power; it is interdisciplinary (history, art history, philology, history of law, philosophy and architecture); and its methodology incorporates analysis vectors from social sciences (perception, from human geography; internal assumption, from psychology; common cultural policies from sociology; and the perspectives of solidarity and community from anthropology). The researchers will work with unpublished data from documentary, literary and artistic sources, which will result in a database shared, managed and safeguarded by the promotor group in the UdL. The general objectives are: 1) To verify the concepts of collective identity and group solidarity; 2) To consider the exercise of power as a relationship between social bodies; 3) To contrast the notion of representativeness in the various levels of generation of collective identities; 4) To confirm that the word, language and image do not merely exercise a vehicular function but also generate realities imbricated in the exercise of power between social bodies.

The specific objectives analyse and verify the functioning of collective identities in each field: contractual monarchy; estate representativeness; symbolic and architectural visualisation of power; positions on the basis of gender, estate, training (Studium Generale), slavery, Jewish identity or social inequality; cohesive function of Christianity as a social ideology. The activities have been programmed using the three-year schedule. The research team is made up of 15 researchers (8 members from

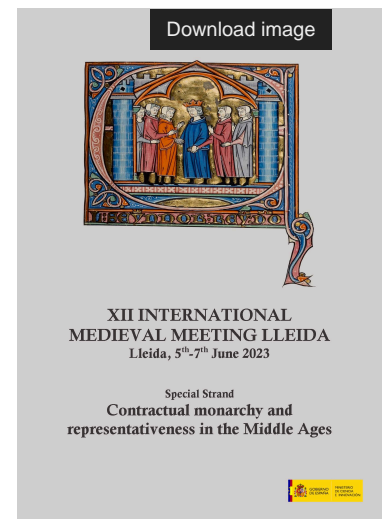


the promotor group at the UdL, 3 from Univ. San Jorge de Zaragoza, 1 Univ. Internacional de Catalunya, 1 UJI, 2 UIB), assisted by 16 members of the working group (8 renowned international researchers, 2 renowned national researchers, 1 inv. Post. Margarita Salas and 5 in pre-doctoral training). The researchers debate advances through three working seminars and an international congress enables results to be compared with groups working on related topics in other countries. Eight possible critical points have been identified for which the contingency plan has been prepared. The promotor groups capacity for training supports the outlook of incorporating personnel in doctoral studies. The results will be openly presented on-line and discussed in the leading international forums; they will rise to a collective book by a publisher recognised prestige, and to 63 articles and chapters in books and in top quartile journals and publishers in high positions in the SPI. A plan is contemplated to transfer results through social media and dissemination activities.

Activities

Workshop: *Collective identities and group solidarities in the late Middle Ages* with the participation of the members of our research project: Flocel Sabaté (IP-Universitat de Lleida), Carles Rabassa (Universitat Jaume I), Albert Cassanyes (Universitat de les Illes Balears), Isabel Grifoll (Universitat de Lleida) and Alberto Velasco (Universitat de Lleida).

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Results

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