Call for papers

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CMS Postgraduate Conference 2020

Follow the Leader: Medieval Leaders and Leadership

31 January - 1 February 2020

The subject of leadership is an ever-present part of the modern world, whether in relation to politics, the workplace, social influence, activism, or abuses of power. But how much do our own attitudes toward authority relate to those of the medieval period? How varied were medieval approaches to leadership? And what evidence do we have for these discourses?

We welcome abstracts from prospective speakers exploring aspects of and approaches to medieval leadership in history, literature, art, archaeology, philosophy, music and theatre, cinema and digital media, and other relevant disciplines (300 words for 20-minute papers, panels, or sessions). Suggested topics include, but are not limited to:

- Secular and ecclesiastical leadership
- Gender and authority
- Social hierarchies
- Corruption
- Divine authority
- Disruptive personae
- Portrayals of leadership
- Artefacts of authority
- Performances of power
- Intellectual leadership

Deadline for submissions:
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