Making Sense as a Cultural Practice

Mainz, 18-20 September 2012
Tuesday, September 18

9:30 Welcome
Prof. Dr. Mechtild Dreyer (Mainz)
Vice President for Learning and Teaching

SESSION 1: Texts and Knowledge

10:00 JACOLIUS MARTIN RIEGER, M.A. (Mainz)
Contingency – On the Construction of Meaning in Thucydides

10:45 Prof. Dr. Rusty Zimmermann (Mainz)
The Parables of Jesus as a Media of Collective Memory. Making sense in the Shaping of New Genres in Early Christianity

11:30-11:45 Coffee break

11:45 Marko Matti, M.A. (Verona)
Making Sense of ‘Community’ by narrating a common past. Historiographic Texts in late medieval Austria

12:30 Lunch

SESSION 2: Texts and Communities

13:30 Prof. Dr. Christina Lutter (Verona)
Constructions of Communities – Representations of Groups. Medieval Texts and Practices

14:15 PAOLO PERAMENTO (Verona)
Reading a thirteenth-century egodocument from Verona

15:00-15:15 Coffee break

15:15 PAOLO PERAMENTO (Verona)
How to create political meaning in public spaces? Some evidence from late medieval Britain

Wednesday, September 19

SESSION 5: Editions

13:45 Prof. Dr. Anu KÖRCHEN (Helsinki)
How to read a Renaissance text. Visuality, materiality and symbolic practice

14:30 Prof. Dr. Jonas LJÖDQUIST (Umeå)
Honour, virtue and manliness – changing concepts of social prestige in early modern Sweden

15:15-15:30 Coffee break

15:30 Prof. Dr. Alessandro ARCADIELLO (Verona)
Sixteenth-century classifications of passions and their historical contexts

16:15 Mania KETTAVÄINEN-SIINEN (Jyväskylä)
Between sense and sensibility. Constructing emotions in late seventeenth-century Finland

Thursday, September 20

SESSION 6: Medicine

9:30 Prof. Dr. Malou KARSTEN (Turku)
Making sense of illness - gendering medicine 1300-1700

10:15 Prof. Dr. Enno ENGEBRETSEN (Oslo)
The Semantics of Hunger in Seventeenth Century France

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15 Prof. Dr. CAY-Roger PHILL (Mainz)
Making sense of diseases - Public discussions in early West Germany 1945 to 1970

12:00-12:45 Round table