

The Chair of Philosophy and of the History of Philosophy at Fulda Faculty of Theology, the Chair of Christian Philosophy of Religion at the Faculty of Theology at the University of Freiburg, and the *International Association for Anselm Studies* (IAAS) will hold a conference at Fulda Faculty of Theology from the 13th to the 16th September 2018. The subject of this joint conference will be

„The philosophy of the monotheistic (world) religions in the early and high Middle Ages: Christian, Jewish and Islamic thinkers in dialogue “.

The focus is on texts by Christian authors from the time of Anselm of Canterbury to Thomas Aquinas who, by means of genuinely philosophical arguments, defend fundamental tenets of Christian belief against objections by Jewish and Islamic authors. The aim is to present and interpret such texts within their individual historical contexts and to assess their rational plausibility. In addition, the ideas of roughly contemporaneous Jewish and Islamic authors who make use of arguments based on insights from natural intellect and reason in order to prove the truth of their own religion and to counter Christian convictions are to be presented and opened to discussion amongst the participants of the conference.

This conference is intended to provide an opportunity for an in-depth exchange of ideas amongst specialists; for this reason, the maximum number of papers in addition to those by the invited speakers is limited to 10–12. Two travel scholarships of a maximum of € 200 Euro are available to doctoral or early career researchers to allow them to attend the conference. They will also receive free accommodation in one of the guestrooms (en suite, incl. breakfast) of the Fulda Seminary. If desired, guestrooms are also available to other speakers at a moderate cost. Attending the meals at the beginning and the end of the conference is optional. There will be no separate registration fee.

The conference languages are German, English and French. The three public lectures will be 45 minutes at most, followed by a maximum of 30 minutes of discussion. Papers in the different sessions will be 30 minutes at most and are also followed by a maximum of 30 minutes of discussion.

It is intended to bring the contributions of this conference together as proceedings in the series *Fuldaer Studien* (published by Herder-Verlag) following a review process.

The conference will begin in the evening on Thursday, 13th September 2018, with a dinner for all participants and a public lecture in the historic lecture hall (auditorium maximum) of Fulda Faculty of Theology. This will be followed by a reception for conference participants by the rector of Fulda Faculty of Theology.

The conference will close on Sunday, 16th September, with the opportunity of attending mass in Fulda Cathedral and, following this, an optional guided sightseeing programme to discover Carolingian Fulda. This will end with lunch for the participants of this excursion.

Those interested in presenting a paper at this conference are requested to send their proposal along with an abstract of no more than 1000 words electronically by 15 December 2017 to

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