

ESCHATOLOGY IN THE MEDIEVAL EUROPEAN VERNACULARS

Ghent University (B), Het Pand (Onderbergen 1, 9000 Ghent)

February 14th, 2012

The *Department of Literature* of Ghent University will hold an international symposium on individual and universal eschatology in the European vernacular languages in the Middle Ages.

Attending this symposium is for free, but registration in advance is necessary. Registration is now open (until February 1st, 2012). For more information and registration, please write to Ulrike Wuttke, M.A., Ghent University (ulrike.wuttke@ugent.be).

Preliminary Program (February 14th 2012)

9:00-9:30 *Registration and welcome with coffee and tea*

9:30-9:45 **Opening**

- Prof. Dr. Youri Desplenter, Ghent University, Belgium

Session 1

Chair: Prof. Dr. Felicitas Schmieder, FernUniversität in Hagen, Germany

9:45-10:25 **Dr. Elizabeth Boyle**, University of Cambridge, UK

- Eschatological writing in Latin and Irish, c. 1000 – c. 1200

10:25-11:05 **Ulrike Wuttke, M.A.**, Ghent University, Belgium

- Eschatology in Middle Dutch - a case study in the oeuvres of Jan van Boendale, Lodewijk van Velthem and Jan van Leeuwen (14th c.)

11:05-11:35 *Coffee break*

11:35-12:15 **Petra Waffner, M.A.**, FernUniversität in Hagen, Germany

- *Le livre de Sidrac* – la fontaine de toutes sciences

12:15-12:55 **Dr. Frances Courtney Kneupper**, currently Visiting Assistant Professor at University of Mississippi, U.S.

- Who are the Germans? Using eschatological prophecy to understand political identity.

12:55 – 14:00 *Lunch*

Session 2

Chair: Dr. Anke Holdenried, University of Bristol, UK

14:00-14:40 **Prof. Dr. Kees Schepers**, Ruusbroecgenootschap, University of Antwerp, Belgium

- Judgment, Damnation, and Salvation in *Wech van Salicheit* and in Ruusbroec's Works: Eschatological Concepts in Middle Dutch Texts and their Latin Sources

14:40-15:20 **Dr. Susanne Ehrich**, University of Regensburg, Germany

- The *Apokalypse* of Heinrich of Hesler in text and image – How to deal with Antichrist as central character in an Apocalypse commentary?

15:20-15:50 *Coffee break*

15:50-16:35 **Keynote:**

- **Prof. Dr. Andrew Colin Gow**, University of Alberta, Canada

16:35-17:00 Discussion

17:00-18:00 *Reception*

Each paper includes a presentation (30 min.) and a discussion (10 min.)