



VISUALIZING KNOWLEDGE IN EARLY MODERNITY
LEARNING PRACTICES AND THEIR MEDIA

CONTENT

How do images allow us to "visualize" the knowledge we are earning as we learn? What kind of contribution do they make to our cognitive process?

The planned workshop will focus on these questions by exploring the ways in which the content of different university disciplines was described through images in early modern manuscript sources. The event will run within the framework of the ERC-funded research project: *From East to West, and Back Again: Student Travel and Transcultural Knowledge Production in Renaissance Europe (c. 1470 - c. 1620)*. The main objective of the project is to analyze the notebooks created by early modern students during their stays at the university. The driving idea is that their handwritten notes offer unique material for observing both the practices of learning and reworking of knowledge. Within this broad framework, the workshop will concentrate on images in manuscripts, the interpretation of which presents a stimulating challenge.

Although written words retained a prominent role in manuscript university documents, they were often accompanied by different types of images such as diagrams, symbols, maps and manicules. During the meeting, the different functions of these images in the learning practices, such as text explanation and memory enhancement, will be discussed. Attention will also be devoted to the relationship of manuscript images both to those contained in coeval printed textbooks and to the images adopted by some pedagogical systems of the time, primarily Ramism.

The objectives of the meeting include discussing developments in the research carried out by scholars involved in the project, receiving feedback, providing a forum for strengthening existing scholarly networks and building new ones. All this will be accomplished through an informal and friendly meeting, without the traditional presentation of papers.

ORGANIZERS

Gniewomir Hawrasz, Gábor Förköli, and Valentina Lepri.

TIME AND VENUE

Thursday, October 5 (from 9:30 am) to Friday, October 6 (till 5 pm) October, 2023.

Vienna, Austria.

PROGRAMME

Wednesday, October 4th

4:00 – 8:00 PM

Arrival at the hotel and check-in

Thursday, October 5th

09:30 – 11:00 AM

The University of Vienna Archives
(Postgasse 9, 1010 Vienna)

- Urlike Denk (Head Deputy of the University of Vienna Archive) – *An introductory talk on the history of the University of Vienna Archive*
- Gábor Fölköli and Gniewomir Hawrasz – *Early Modern University of Vienna, its late medieval and Jesuit past: presentation of selected manuscripts*

11:10 – 11:30 AM

The Austrian Academy of Sciences / The Jesuit Church
(Doktor-Ignaz-Seipel-Platz 2, 1010 Vienna)

- A tour at the premises of the Austrian Academy of Sciences; visit to the old Jesuit Library
- A tour to the Jesuit Church / The University Church

11:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Free time & lunch

3:00 – 5:00 PM

Working session

(Room STEFAN ZWEIG, Hotel Rathauspark Wien a member of Radisson Individuals,
Rathausstrasse 17, 1010 Vienna Innere Stadt)

- An extensive *Laboratorium* session – an update on current work and future initiatives, i.a. publications, collaborations, workshops and conferences

7:00 PM

Dinner in the Café Bierbeisl Einstein
(Rathauspl. 4, 1010 Vienna)

Friday, October 6th

9:30 – 11:00 AM

Working session

(IWM Library, Institute for Human Sciences, Spittelauer Lände 3, 1090 Vienna)

- Introduction by the Rector of the Institute for Human Sciences, Misha Glenny
- Presentations of team members and guests – their individual works such as case studies, readings, problems, ideas, and more

11:00 – 11:30 AM

Coffee break

11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Working session

(IWM Library, Institute for Human Sciences, Spittelauer Lände 3, 1090 Vienna)

- Suggested readings session – sharing information about materials useful to other team members and guests

1:30 – 3:00 PM

Lunch break

3:00 – 5:00 PM

Working session

(Room SUITE 319, Hotel Rathauspark Wien a member of Radisson Individuals, Rathausstrasse 17, 1010 Vienna Innere Stadt)

- *'Margins at the Centre'* – project presentation by Dr. Cinzia Grifoni
- Final remarks & perspectives for the future, i.a. grant applications, planned conference attendance

7:30 PM

Dinner in the Restaurant Roter Löwenhof

(Rotenlöwengasse 17, 1090 Vienna)

WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

Team

1. Alicja Bielak
2. Danilo Facca
3. Gábor Förköli
4. Olga M. Hajduk
5. Gniewomir Hawrasz
6. Farkas Gábor Kiss
7. Valentina Lepri
8. Katarzyna Rusinek-Abarca
9. Dennj Solera

Invited guests

1. Luisa Brotto (University of Pisa)
2. Matthias Roick (PASIFIC (Marie Skłodowska-Curie) Fellow, IFiS PAN)

CONTACT

For any assistance contact Olga M. Hajduk [olga.hajduk@ifispan.edu.pl] or Katarzyna Rusinek-Abarca [katarzyna.rusinek-abarca@ifispan.edu.pl].