

OXFORD CENTRE FOR MEDIEVAL HISTORY
COLLOQUIUM

4th September 2010

**The Clerical Cosmos:
Ecclesiastical power, culture, and society,
c. 900 to c. 1075**

This informal gathering will focus on clerical life in Latin Europe, from c.900 to c.1075. Our aim is to explore the period on its own terms, rather than within more familiar narratives of a long sunset of the Carolingian world, or as a precursor to the Gregorian papacy and twelfth-century developments. We will seek to examine concepts such as 'renaissance' and 'reform', the role of France in wider historiography, and the distinction between monastic and cathedral communities, bringing together work on both clerics' social-political power and their intellectual lives. Presentations will focus on France, Germany, and Italy, but discussion will be of interest to those working on all areas of Latin Europe.



Participants to include: Henry Mayr-Harting (Oxford), Sarah Hamilton (Exeter), John Nightingale (Oxford), Theo Riches (Münster), Conrad Leyser (Oxford).

Organisers: Bernard Gowers (Oxford), Hannah Williams (Manchester)

Date: 4th September 2010, 10am – 5:30pm

Location: Faculty of History, University of Oxford

Cost: £10 for those in post (payable on the day), free for everyone else. Lunch included.

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Registration by 15th August 2010.