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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

February 9-10, 2021

# Signs of the Future

Convenors: Klaus Herbers, Hans-Christian Lehner

Please register at <http://ikgf.fau.de/>

### Tuesday, February 9

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| 1:00 pm        | Welcome Address<br><b>Michael Lackner</b> (Erlangen), <b>Klaus Herbers</b> (Erlangen)   |
| <b>Panel 1</b> |   |
| 1:15 pm        | <i>Dum illum utero gestaret.</i> The premonitory dreams of saint's mothers in Latin hagiography<br><b>Patrick Henriot</b> (Paris)<br><i>Sepe verum somiant, qui presunt populis.</i> The dubious veracity of dreams<br><b>Albert Schirmeister</b> (Paris) |
| 2:45 pm        | Break   |
| <b>Panel 2</b> |   |
| 3:15 pm        | Kurienkardinäle und Prälaten beim Wahrsager (XIII. Jahrhundert)<br><b>Agostino Paravicini-Bagliani</b> (Fribourg)<br>Träume, Visionen und Politik im karolingischen Europa<br><b>Klaus Herbers</b> (Erlangen)   |
| 4:45 pm        | Break   |
| <b>Panel 3</b> |   |
| 5:15 pm        | Signs from the Afterlife. Consulting the Dead about the Future in Medieval Times<br><b>Matthias Heiduk</b> (Erlangen)<br>Natural Signs and Spiritual Signs as Medieval Classroom Issues<br><b>Anke Holdenried</b> (Bristol)                               |

Augsburger Wunderzeichenbuch, fol. 35  
(„There fell from the sky a huge burning torch like a column or a tower“)  
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### Wednesday, February 10

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| <b>Panel 4</b> |   |
| 9:00 am        | Signs of the future. Rainbow, shooting stars, and halos in pre-modern Arabic sources<br><b>Petra Schmidl</b> (Erlangen)<br>Between astrological divination and local knowledge: Prognostics and „epignostics“ related to natural disasters in the Middle Ages<br><b>Christian Rohr</b> (Bern)   |
| 10:30 am       | Break   |
| <b>Panel 5</b> |   |
| 11:00 am       | Analogy at work in Medieval and Early Modern Western divination techniques: astrology, geomancy, chiromancy, scapulomancy, avimancy.<br><b>Stefano Rapisarda</b> (Catania)<br>Alternative lots - patterns of a classical tool supporting decision-making<br><b>Michael Grünbart</b> (Münster)   |
| 12:30 pm       | Break   |
| <b>Panel 6</b> |   |
| 2:00 pm        | Beware when Sirius is in the sky! Thinking about the Dog Days in early medieval Europe<br><b>Carine van Rhijn</b> (Utrecht)<br>Weather Forecasting in Medieval Bohemia<br><b>Barbora Kocánová</b> (Prag)  |
| 3:30 pm        | Break   |
| <b>Panel 7</b> |   |
| 4:00 pm        | Strange Events and Shaky Ground. On Earthquakes, Matthew Paris and ‚Solid Facts‘<br><b>Manuel Kamenzin</b> (Bochum/Erlangen)<br><i>Signa, cometes, monstra</i> und das Ende der Geschichte in Hartmann Schedels <i>Liber chronicarum</i><br><b>Andrea Worm</b> (Tübingen)<br>Concluding Remarks |