Conference Theme

The term “resilience” is used in a variety of ways and with a diverse array of meanings in numerous scientific, professional and even everyday contexts. This conference aims at advancing the development of a social understanding of resilience and its analytical utilization in sociology and medieval contexts by examining strategies, dispositions and resources of resilience as well as unanticipated consequences and side effects of resilience strategies.

These topics will be discussed from empirical as well as theoretical vantage points, with the aim to interconnect and mutually enrich the different and interdisciplinary approaches to understanding processes of resilience and adaptive change in historical contexts. In doing so, the conference will both highlight and discuss problems associated with the concept of resilience and at the same time develop a new analytical category for understanding socio-historical processes.

Conference Venue

Main Conference Venue
Nells Park Hotel
Dasbachstraße 12
54292 Trier

Lecture and Reception
University of Trier
Universitätsring 15
54296 Trier
Lecture: Senate Room (V302)
Reception: Mensa Guest Room

Contact

The conference is organized by the DFG Research Group 2539 „Resilience. Phases of Societal Upheaval in Dialogue between Medieval Studies and Sociology“.

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Participation in the conference is free of charge.

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Strategies, Dispositions and Resources of Social Resilience. A Dialogue between Medieval Studies and Sociology

12.03.2018 – 15.03.2018
Monday, 12.03.2018

Welcome and Opening
14:00–14:30 Lukas Clemens (Trier)
Welcome and Introduction
14:30–15:00 Coffee Break

Session 1: Strategies, Dispositions and Resources – Theoretical Considerations
15:00–15:30 Benjamin Rampp (Trier)
Strategies, Dispositions and Resources in Multi-level/Multi-layer Figurations
15:30–16:00 Martin Endreff (Trier)
Strategies, Dispositions and Resources as Socio-historical Constructions
16:00–17:00 Discussion on Session 1
Chair: Marie Luise Naumann (Trier)

Wednesday, 14.03.2018

Session 4: Resilience and the Law
10:00–10:30 Heikki Pihlajamäki (Helsinki)
Medieval Nordic Laws: Instruments of Resilience?
10:30–11:00 Thomas Rüfner (Trier)
Tipping the Scales of Justice: Roman Law as a Resource in Medieval Legal Discourse
11:00–12:00 Discussion on Session 4
Chair: Maria Lux (Trier)
12:00–13:30 Lunch Break

Session 5: Resilience and Literary Studies
13:30–14:00 Beatrice von Lüpke (Tübingen)
Fueling or Defusing Conflict? The Literary Reception of the First Margrave War (1449/50)
14:00–14:30 Martin Przybilski (Trier)
Figures of Jews in Nuremberg Shrovetide Plays, Old and New
14:30–15:30 Discussion on Session 5
Chair: Sindy Müller (Trier)

Tuesday, 13.03.2018

Session 2: Jewish Resilience
10:00–10:30 Julia Itin (Halle)
Fractured History: Jewish Sources and Narratives of Black Death and Black Death Persecutions
10:30–11:00 Christoph Cluse (Trier)
Picking up the Pieces: Modelling the Fragmentary Evidence for Jewish Resilience in the German Kingdom during the Second Half of the 14th Century
11:00–12:00 Discussion on Session 2
Chair: Thilo Becker (Trier)
12:00–13:30 Lunch Break

Session 3: Resilience in the Face of Catastrophes
13:30–14:00 Tim Soens (Antwerp)
Resilient Societies, Vulnerable People:
Coastal Flood Disasters in the North Sea Area before 1800
14:00–14:30 Sabine Blum (Freiburg)
Strategic Worst Case-Thinking and the Question of Survival in the Nuclear Age
14:30–15:30 Discussion on Session 3
Chair: Michael Schlachter (Trier)

Lecture and Reception
18:15–19:30 Mark Edwards (Jönköping)
Mapping Resilience: Metatheoretical Reflections
(University of Trier, Room V302)
19:30 Reception
(University of Trier, Mensa Guest Room)

Session 6: Resilience and Economy
16:00–16:30 Markus A. Denzel (Leipzig)
How to Make an Enterprise Resilient: Methodological Questions and the Evidence from the Past
16:30–17:00 Peter Rückert (Stuttgart)
Disruptive Environmental Change and Resilience: The German South-West in the Later Middle Ages
17:00–18:00 Discussion on Session 6
Chair: Janina Krüger (Trier)
20:00 Dinner (Restaurant “Das Weinhaus”)

Thursday, 15.03.2018

Session 7: Resilience in Medieval Italy
9:30–10:00 Gerrit Jasper Schenk (Darmstadt)
More Resilient with Mars or Mary? Constructing a Myth and Reclaiming Public Space after the Destruction of the Old Bridge of Florence 1333–1345
10:00–10:30 Lukas Clemens (Trier)
Resources and Strategies of New Rulers: Early Angevin Rule in Southern Italy
10:30–11:30 Discussion on Session 7
Chair: Eileen Bergmann (Trier)
11:30–12:00 Coffee Break

Final Discussion
12:00–13:00 Final Discussion

General Discussants of the Conference
Oliver Ibert (Erkner)
Tim Lukas (Wuppertal)
Thorsten Schilling (Lausanne)