



INVITATION TO AN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

The past, present and future of Heraldry: Universality and Interdisciplinarity

We cordially invite you to take part in an international academic conference on *The Past, present and future of Heraldry: Unversality and Interdisciplinarity*, which will take place at the Lithuanian Institute of History on **12-14 June 2024**.

Heraldry is more than an auxiliary historical discipline. It is an area that reflects the political, cultural, theoretical and legal changes taking place in society. The conference concentrates on several topical blocks. The first of these deals with tendencies in Heraldry during the Middle Ages and Modern Period, covering not only coats of arms of states, regions, families, institutions and so on, but also society's relationships with heraldry through, for example, analysis of heraldic traditions, etiquette, heraldic themes in literature (such as in chronicles, chivalric romances), architecture, iconography and so forth. The second block examines the place and conception of Heraldry today and in the future (for example through the prism of cultural memory, or its adaptation in popular culture, and discussion of issues and tendencies relevant to contemporary society). The third block is devoted to an analysis of the universality and interdisciplinarity of Heraldry.

This invitation is open not only to specialists in the auxiliary historical disciplines but also to scholars dealing with heraldic themes whilst examining other topics.

Presentation length – 20 min.

Conference languages: Lithuanian, Polish, English.

There will be no synchronic translation of presentations.

The Conference will be held in a hybrid fashion.

There are plans to publish Conference material.

Conference participants are requested to inform the Conference Organizers of the language in which their presentation would be read, the title of their proposed presentation and a summary (1,500–1,800 characters with spaces) in the language of their presentation by 18 March 2024. Address for communication: heraldry2024@gmail.com. Authors of proposals will be informed of the Organizers' decision by 22 March 2024.

There is no Conference fee.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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