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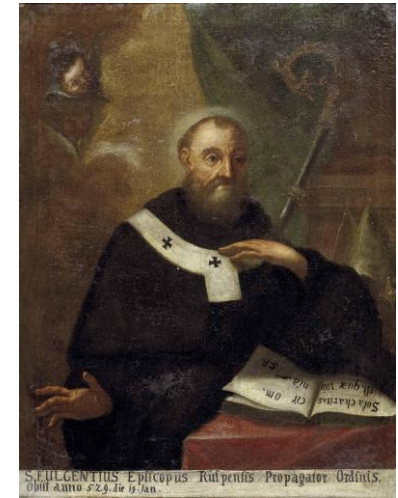
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Rediscovering Fulgentius: Beyond the Shadow of Augustine

International Conference |
Tübingen, Germany
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Conference programme

Thursday, 1st October

1:30pm **Carandino, Martina** (University of Oxford): *Opening remarks*

Panel A: Theology

Chair: Carandino, Martina (University of Oxford)

1:45pm **Gilbert, Corentin**: *A glimpse of Fulgentius' Christology: the Epistula de quinque quaestionibus*

2:30pm **Janssen, David Burkhart** (Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen): *Christ and Grace in the Church: Fulgentius's Effort to Solve an Augustinian Riddle*

3:15pm **Spianato, Antonio** (Pontificium Institutum Patristicum Augustinianum): *Between Theology and Liturgy: Fulgentius of Ruspe and the reflection on prayer to the Father*

4:00pm coffee break

4:30pm **Caban-Bonet, Pablo** (University of Notre Dame, IN): *A treatise fit for a king: Theology and Persuasion in Fulgentius of Ruspe's Ad Trasamundum*

5:15pm **Odrobina, László** (University of Szeged / Budapest): *When Marriage Becomes "Dogma": Fulgentius of Ruspe and the Closure of the Augustinian Legacy*

6:00pm break

Keynote

6:30pm **Heil, Uta** (Universität Wien): *Nothing new after Augustine? Fulgentius of Ruspe and the doctrine of the Trinity*

8:15pm conference dinner

Friday, 2nd October

Panel B: Literature

Chair: Drecoll, Volker Henning (Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen)

9:00am **Mantelli, Sincero** (Pontificium Institutum Patristicum Augustinianum): *Fulgentius of Ruspe's Augustinian style*

9:45am **Müller, Hildegund** (University of Notre Dame, IN): *Fulgentius of Ruspe and his school of preaching*

10:30am coffee break

11:00am **Grondeux, Anne** (Université Paris Diderot): *The Contra Fabianum in the Liber Glossarum (c. 650)*

11:45am **Scheerer, Christoph** (Universität Wien): *Insights in and conclusions from the transmission of the corpus of Fulgentius' antihomoean writings*

12:30pm lunch

Panel C: Historiography

Chair: Leyser, Conrad (University of Oxford)

2:00pm **Vössing, Konrad** (Universität Bonn): *Fulgentius and the Vandal Kings Thrasamund and Hilderic*

2:45pm **Rosaci, Fabiana** (Università degli Studi di Messina): *The Catholic Fulgentius and an Arian rex*

3:30pm coffee break

4:00pm **Auria, Isabella d'** (Università degli Studi di Napoli): *Fulgentius of Ruspe as Bishop and Defensor Civitatis in the Vita Fulgentii*

5:00pm **Janssen, David Burkhart** (Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen): *Closing remarks*

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Fulgentius of Ruspe (c. 467–533) stands as one of the most significant voices of the post Augustinian Latin Church. Writing amid the turbulence of Vandal rule and Nicene exile, Fulgentius participated in the most important theological and (ecclesio-)political debates and controversies of his time (on Trinitarian doctrine with Homoians and even the Vandal king Thrasamund, on Christology with Latin- and Greek-speaking Chalcedonians, on grace with Southern Gaul and North African theologians). In this context, he articulated a theology of grace, Trinitarian unity, and ecclesial identity that bridged the worlds of Augustine and the early medieval West. Yet despite his profound influence on Western theology and Church, his thought, rhetoric, and historical context remain understudied compared to those of his contemporaries.

Therefore, this conference endeavours to reexamine Fulgentius's life, works, and intellectual legacy through an interdisciplinary approach that brings together theological, historical, and literary perspectives. By uniting specialists in Late Antiquity from diverse backgrounds, we aim to reassess the place of Fulgentius within the broader continuum of North African Christianity and late antique intellectual culture.