



30th Annual Conference
THE REFORMATION AND NETWORKS
9–11 April 2024
Westminster College, Cambridge

Networks were an intrinsic part of early modern society. People were connected via networks of friendship and kinship, confessional identity, education, class, cultural and social practice, and academia. During periods of exile, individuals could remain in contact with friends and family through physical networks which included post, messengers, trade, and smuggling. The vast range of correspondence produced in the Reformation period testifies to the importance of these networks and groups but much remains to be uncovered about how these networks developed, evolved, and impacted the direction of the Reformation in cities, towns and villages across Europe and beyond. This conference considers the myriad ways these networks operated in the early modern period. How can we trace networks across geographic and religious boundaries? How did existing or new confessional networks influence the development of religious groups and their interactions with one another? What impact did suppression and persecution have on these networks?

Leading us in our consideration of Reformation and Networks will be:

- Howard Hotson, University of Oxford (tbc)
- Kirsten Macfarlane, University of Oxford
- Christoph Strohm, University of Heidelberg

As always, papers which reflect the current work of participants, regardless of their relevance to the theme, are welcome. The conference is always particularly keen to hear communications from postgraduate and early career scholars. Participants are encouraged to consider submitting their papers to the *Reformation and Renaissance Review*.

Proposed paper titles together with an abstract (100–150 words) should be submitted by **31 January 2024** to Professor Charlotte Methuen (charlotte.methuen@glasgow.ac.uk).

Registrations must be received by **16 February 2024**, either by the booking form (available from Charlotte Methuen) or via Eventbrite (<https://srs2024.eventbrite.co.uk>).

This will be a hybrid conference with in-person and on-line attendance.

WITTENBERG CENTER BURSARY
for doctoral students and early career
researchers



The 'Wittenberg Center for Reformation Studies' supports graduate students and early career researchers to attend the annual SRS conference in Cambridge. If you are interested in receiving a grant to travel to Cambridge in April 2024, please send the application form to Professor Charlotte Methuen (charlotte.methuen@glasgow.ac.uk), explain your need for support and your projected travel costs, and include a letter of reference from your supervisor. The SRS will continue to accept paper proposals for a few weeks after the original deadline.

For more information about the Wittenberg Center please contact
stegmann@wittenbergcenter.de or check www.wittenbergcenter.net.



SRS Conference Bursaries

The Society for Reformation Studies is able to offer bursaries to postgraduate students or to early career scholars without a full-time post to help cover the costs of the conference and travel to the conference.

Since the bursary is intended to allow successful candidates to share their ideas and make connections as widely as possible, successful candidates are expected to attend the whole of the conference and if possible to give a paper.

The decision will be based on the academic merit and originality of the proposed paper, as well as on financial need.

Candidates should either be registered postgraduate students (or awaiting their viva) or early career scholars who were awarded their doctorate in or after 2018 and do not currently hold either a full-time or a permanent post. Candidates should ask their doctoral supervisor or another senior colleague to submit a brief reference confirming the candidate's status (including for PG students confirmation that they are matriculated in a post graduate research programme, and for early career researchers the year their doctorate was awarded). The reference should include a brief appraisal of the proposed paper.



SRS Postgraduate Bursary Application Form

Name of applicant:

For post graduate students:

Institution:

Year of study:

Sources of funding for
postgraduate study:

If your funding body or your
department provide any funds
for conference travel/attendance,
please detail these here:

For early career researchers:

Year doctorate awarded/
awarding institution:

Details of any current
institutional affiliation:

Type of post/ source(s)
of funding:

If any funds for conference travel/
attendance are available to you,
please detail these here:

Proposed paper title:

Abstract:

Referee:

Referee's email address:

Applications and references should be sent to Professor Charlotte Methuen (charlotte.methuen@glasgow.ac.uk) by **15 February 2024**.

Please note that applicants are responsible for making sure that references are submitted by the deadline.

Decisions will be made as soon as possible, in order to give applicants time to confirm their booking details by 29 February 2024.