

You are cordially invited to submit a paper abstract for our panel proposal, for the thematic area “Methodology: Representations and Interpretations,” at the XXI IAHR World Congress “Dynamics of Religion: Past and Present,” in Erfurt, Germany (August 23 to 29, 2015).

Papers are limited to 20 minutes. Deadline for submission of abstracts (max. 150 words) is September 6, 2014. Please submit your abstract to: [giovannicasadio@libero.it](mailto:giovannicasadio@libero.it) or [riccardonanini@web.de](mailto:riccardonanini@web.de).

We look forward to your contributions. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Panel *Quaerendum est in litteris quod non est in actis*. Issues of Religious Historiography in Scholarly Correspondences

Correspondences as literary genre proved, in the last years, to be an important reading key on the religious historiographical level, in order both to get an access to the *Lebenssitz* of the scholar and to put concepts, debates, developments, structures and changes in their respective contexts.

So, the religious-historical methodology cannot afford to neglect such a literary genre, given its character as *etic* representation approaching the research object with an immediacy and originality that only personal communications can have; a freshness enriching scientific narration in all its levels with new and sometimes unexpected points of view.

This panel intends to present some recent publications dealing with particularly significant exchanges of letters in European area. It intends to have a half-open structure: besides the fixed books presentation, it heartily invites researchers to contribute to it with further proposals and ideas.

(Provisory draft: not submitted yet and subject to change depending on responses)