

New Chances for Research on Early Modern Christianity: A workshop for Scholars

Date: October 7–8, 2021
Venue: BBU Cluj-Napoca (details to be communicated later)

About the Workshop

The Babeş-Bolyai University together with REFORC and the *Long Reformation in Eastern Europe (1500–1800) Research Team* organizes a workshop that seeks to present and discuss new projects, new possibilities for cooperation and new initiatives to support junior and senior researchers, universities, and libraries.

Support from Teamwork

Our starting point is the conviction that individual research, can usually be improved significantly, if it gains support from the joint efforts of a teamwork. Yet, teamwork itself and its benefits often originate from informal networks, groups and clusters beyond the formal support of institutions, but brought together temporarily and driven by similar quests and scholarly curiosity.

Encounter and Exchange of Knowledge

The idea of the workshop was inspired by these new and functional forms of scientific collaborations, as our declared goal is to facilitate the encounter and exchange of knowledge between research communities of various format engaged in the investigation of Early Modern Christianity. The Reformation Research Consortium (REFORC) has over the last ten years stimulated and facilitated these collaborations. As of 2021 this consortium is open to individual members as well, and has also expanded possibilities of financial support for specific academic activities. The workshop in Cluj is meant to present this new REFORC and also to create a forum where various scholarly enterprises both individual and group efforts (Lendület/Momentum, the Coram Deo Program, etc.) introduce their profiles and research agenda.

Tentative Program

October 7, 2021

16:00–16:15 Welcome addresses
 16:15–17:45 Presentations of REFORC, The Long Reformation Project and the Coram Deo Program
 17:45–18:30 Q/A
 19:00 Dinner



October 8, 2021

- 09:00–10:30 Presentation of projects I (each presentation max. 10 minutes, followed by 5 max. Q/A)
- Coffee Break
- 11:00–12:30 Presentation of projects II (each presentation max. 10 min., followed by max. 5 min. Q/A)
- 12.30 -13.00 Concluding remarks
- 13.00 -14.00 Lunch and Departure

The organizers of the workshop hosted by the Babeş-Bolyai University encourage doctoral candidates and scholars coming from the fields of history, theology, literature, art history and legal history to attend the event in order to engage in a truly multidisciplinary and multi-confessional dialogue upon the study of Early Modern Christianity.

This event is part of the research agenda of *Long reformation in Eastern Europe (1500–1800)* supported by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and REFORC.

Corona Policy

We are aware of uncertainties because of corona. Currently we assume that in October a physical meeting will be possible. If this should change, we will inform you in time about another format.

Conditions

- Attendants can be individual scholars, or scholars affiliated with an institution.
- You will be informed on acceptance within two weeks on receipt of your application.
- You will take care of your own travel and lodging.
- As soon as your application has been accepted, you will receive a cost declaration form.
- Participants will receive financial support for travel and lodging up to € 75 per person.
- Dinner, lunch, and refreshments will be supplied by the organizers.
- Declaration forms accompanied by receipts can be handed to the organizers during the workshop.
- Payments of travel and lodging cost will be made within a month.
- Presentations of projects as well as discussions may be in English, and also in Rumanian, Hungarian, or German.

Application

If you are interested in attending our workshop, you are invited to apply by April 15, 2021 via <https://www.reforc.com/new-chances/>.

On behalf of the organizers,

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