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Medieval Encounters in 13th-Century Eurasia: Mobility, Identities, Imaginaries, and Emotion

Zur Veranstaltung (Zoom):

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Mongol conquests and the formation of their steppe empire changed the political, ethnic, religious, and economic landscape of larger part of Eurasia. The Christendom's encounter with another nomadic Other (after the Huns, Avars, Magyars, Cumans – just to mention a few) reopened the repository of images and references 'reserved' for such dangerous peoples. These images did not only have a *longue durée* palimpsestual and axiological character, but were also soaked with powerful emotional content. In short: the reports on the Mongol Other are full of references and symbols that need to be interpreted within the contemporary worldview and cultural frameworks. Also, the emotional content is skillfully interwoven into words and images.

The author will discuss various issues of the life in the Mongol empire as perceived by Christian authors. The accent will be put on the elements mostly related to the fields of cultural history and the history of emotions.

Dr Mirko Sardelić is a historian of medieval and early modern cross-cultural exchange, especially between the Mediterranean world and Eurasian steppe. He is a Research Associate at the Department of Historical Research of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts (Zagreb), and also an Honorary Research Fellow at the ARC Centre for the History of Emotions (Europe 1100-1800), based at the University of Western Australia (2018-2021). Very much interested in the history of emotions, he is Co-Director of the Centre for the Study of Emotions in Cross-Cultural Exchange, based in Croatia.

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