Workshop call for papers for young researchers

“Reforming Religions in the Modern World. Jews, Christians, Muslims (16th-18th Centuries)”

Florence, 11th-13th September 2017

The Sangalli Institute for the religious history and cultures is actively engaged since 2014 on supporting the activities of young researchers, especially in the field of the religious studies, with special attention to history and humanities.

We are convinced that only through the pooling of scientific cross-sectional and generational experiences, the study of the past can effectively foster social and cultural progress. That is the reason why the Sangalli Institute is organizing between 11th and 13th of September 2017 a workshop on “Reforming Religions in the Modern World. Jews, Christians, Muslims (16th-18th Centuries)”. The workshop is scientifically coordinated by Massimo Carlo Giannini (Università degli studi di Teramo) and Maurizio Sangalli (Università per Stranieri di Siena) and it will take place at the Sangalli Institute (Piazza di San Firenze 3, Firenze - Italy).

Our initiative is intended to focus on the problem of reformation into Judaism, Christianity and Islam, paying attention, for instance, to the comparative aspects, to the interconnections and interrelations among different religious confessions and to the dynamics produced by the need for change/reformation/return to the roots.

During the morning sessions, Massimo Campanini (Università degli Studi di Trento), Yosef Kaplan (Hebrew University, Jerusalem) Paolo Ricca (Facoltà Valdese di Teologia, Roma), Laura Ronchi de Michelis (Sapienza Università di Roma) e Alain Tallon (Université Paris-Sorbonne) will give lectures followed by discussions with participants.
Then, 12 young researchers will discuss their research projects and get feedback from the above mentioned senior scholars. Researchers must be in the second year of their doctorate or held a Ph.D. in History, obtained in the last 4 years, counting from the date of this call. Lectures and discussions could be held in Italian, English and French.

The selected young researchers will receive from the Sangalli Institute a refund for travel and living expenses up to 200,00 euros, only upon presentation of relevant receipts. The Sangalli Institute will be pleased to help young researchers with finding suitable accommodation in Florence.

To participate in the selection, candidates must send their application, together with all required documents, no later than 12 pm of the 30th of April 2017, at the following address: segreteria@istitutosangalli.it.

Applications must include, exclusively in digital format:

a) a CV, with e-mail and telephone number, specifying that the young researcher is at least on his or her second year of a doctorate in History or has obtained a Ph.D. in History no more than 4 years prior to the date of this call.

b) researchers enrolled in the second year of their doctorate must present a summary of the research project of their thesis (no more than 4,000 characters). The title of this project will appear in the programme of the workshop.

c) doctors who have held their Ph.D. in the last 4 years must present the research project they are currently developing (no more than 4,000 characters). The title of this project will appear in the programme of the workshop.

Applications received after the deadline of this call or those that are incomplete will not be considered. The Sangalli Institute shall not be held responsible for any not received or incomplete application.

The results of the selection and the related merit ranking will be published on the web and Facebook sites of the Sangalli Institute for the religious history and cultures (http://www.istitutosangalli.it; https://www.facebook.com/istitutosangalli) by the 15th of May 2017.

The selected candidates must communicate their formal acceptance within 7 days following the publication of the list to the address segreteria@istitutosangalli.it. Once the deadline expired, those who have not communicate their acceptance will be excluded and their place will be taken by the following candidate on the above mentioned merit ranking.
The selected young researchers must commit to attend all the sessions of the workshop and any other related scientific activity. The refund of the expenses will be delivered at the end of the workshop, after confirmation that the candidates have fulfilled all their obligations.

The workshop is open to the public.

Florence, 1st March 2017

The President of the Institute