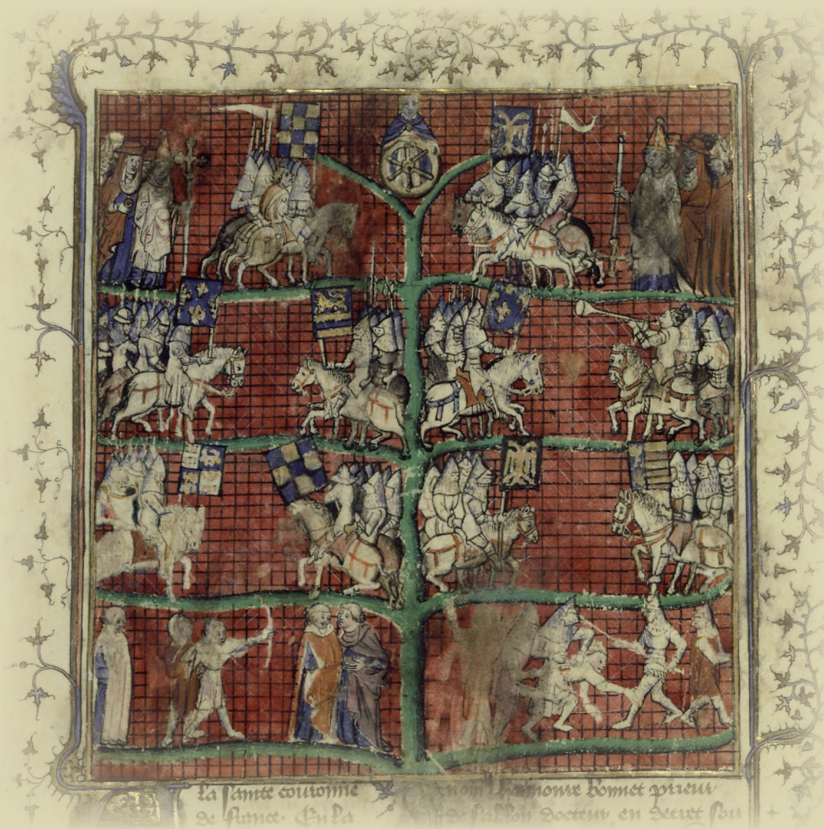
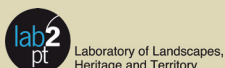


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# Solving the Schism: Empire and Papacy in the Vortex of Change, 1378–1417



22–25 April 2026, Prague,  
Academic Conference Centre, Husova 4a



## 22 April 2026

### **Specialist guided tour of the Old New Synagogue**

16:15 Tour of the Old New Synagogue guided by Lenka Blechová

## 23 April 2026

### **Solving the Schism: The political situation; the princely and non-princely actors; papal propaganda**

Academic Conference Centre, Husova 4a Praha 1

8:45–9:15 Registration

9:15–9:30 Welcome and introductions

#### ***The political and military situation in Italy***

Chair: Christophe Masson

9:30–10:05 Armand Jamme: *Comuni, Signorie, Urbanists and Clementists in the Italian Lands of the Church: Forms and Reasons for State Chaos after the Destruction of the Albornozian Model (1375–1409)*

10:05–10:40 Emiliano Bultrini: *Between Rome and Avignon: Onorato I Caetani and War in the Early Great Schism (1378–1380)*

10:40–11:10 *Coffee break*

#### ***Princely actors***

Chair: Mário Farelo

11:10–11:45 Ondřej Schmidt: *Campaigning for the Pope of Rome: King Wenceslas and the Italian States in the Face of the Schism*

11:45–12:20 Jana Fantysová Matějková: *The Great Western Schism and the House of Luxembourg's Dynastic Policy towards the Valois under Wenceslas IV*

12:30–13:30 *Lunch*

#### ***Papal propaganda: Rome vs. Avignon***

Chair: Alexandra Gajewski

13:30–14:05 Claudia Bolgia: *The Role of Urban V's Images in Political Propaganda during the Great Schism*

14:05–14:40 Uri Smilansky: *Papal Song as Schismatic Propaganda*

14:40–15:10 *Coffee break*

### **Non-princely actors**

Chair: Karl Kügler

- 15:10–15:45 Lorenzo Geri: 'O si materia detur de scismate scribere!' *The Influence of Petrarch on Coluccio Salutati's Liber de Schismate*
- 15:45–16:20 Christophe Masson: 'Qui plus ait travaillé au bien d'union et paix?' *The Attempts of Marshal Boucicaut to Solve the Schism and Their Implications*
- 16:20–16:55 Eva Doležalová – Lenka Blechová: *Between Church and Crown: John of Jenštejn and the Political Agenda of Wenceslas IV*

## **24 April 2026**

### **Solving the Schism: Political, religious, ideological and cultural strategies**

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#### **Cultural and religious strategies**

Chair: Francesca Manzari

- 9:15–9:50 Joëlle Rollo-Koster: *Performing Legitimacy One Flower at a Time: The Great Western Schism and the Golden Rose*
- 9:50–10:25 Claudia D'Alberto – Roberta Cerone: *Claiming Legitimacy: Avignon's Schismatic Curia and the Tombs of Notre-Dame des Doms*
- 10:25–11:00 Alexandra Gajewski: *The Cult of Pierre of Luxembourg and the Construction of Saint-Pierre-Célestin in Avignon during the Great Schism*
- 11:00–11:30 *Coffee break*

#### **Influences on Wenceslas IV**

Chair: Jana Fantysová Matějková

- 11:30–12:05 Dušan Coufal: *Wenceslas IV and the Solving of the Schism. The Burden of His Father's Legacy*
- 12:05–12:40 Vojtěch Večeře: *The Idea of a Conciliar Solution to Schism and Ecclesiological Debate in Bohemia at the Turn of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Centuries*
- 12:40–13:40 *Lunch*

## ***Towards the conciliar solution***

Chair: Eva Doležalová

- 13:40–14:15 Karl Kügle: *A Tale of Two Phebuses? The Motet Inter densas/Imbribus irriguis, Pietro Filargo, and Cultural Politics in the Age of the Great Schism*
- 14:15–14:50 Mário Farelo: *The Portuguese at the Councils of Pisa and Constance: People, Texts, Representations*
- 14:50–15:30 Attila Bárány: *King Sigismund and the English nation at the Council of Constance*
- 15:30–16:00 *Coffee break*
- 16:00–16:30 **Panel discussion, open floor, and conclusions**  
Chair: Francesca Manzari

**25 April 2026**

## **Specialist guided tour of Karlštejn Castle**

- 10:00 Tour of Karlštejn Castle guided by art historian Barbora Uchytlová

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