

Call for Papers

RESEARCH GROUP IN  
**EARLY  
MODERN  
RELIGIOUS  
DISSENTS &  
RADICALISM**

# TOWARDS A VOCABULARY *of* DISSENT

*Early modern religious dissents, conflicts,  
and pluralities in Renaissance and Early  
Modern Europe*

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EMoDIR (the Research Group on *Early Modern Religious Dissents and Radicalism*) is an international research group dedicated to the study of religious differences, conflicts, and pluralism in early modern Europe. The group's aim is to examine the ways in which religious dissent was constructed in the early modern period as well the social and cultural practices of radical movements and religious minorities.

For the next RSA Annual Conference (Toronto, 2019), we seek papers addressing the key-terms and categories that have been or are used to define early modern religious dissenting practices and beliefs.

The aim of these panels is to deconstruct, reconstruct, and historically contextualize such commonly used categories as **Dissent, Dissidence, Radicalism, Libertinism, Atheism, Blasphemy, Nicodemism, Otherness, Hybridity.**

We also welcome papers about terms that were used in early modern times to describe heterodox religious experience (as for example **Enthusiasm, Fanaticism, Sectarianism, Heresy**).

Each paper should investigate the emergence of a specific concept, its semantic contents, its 'labeling' uses and its changing meanings over times and places, taking into consideration an entangled historical approach (*histoire croisée*).

Please email Stefano Villani (villani@umd.edu) and Helena Wangefelt Ström (helena.wangefelt.strom@umu.se) by **August 10, 2018** with full name, current affiliation, and email address; a paper title (15-word maximum), an abstract (150-word maximum), keywords, PhD completion date (past or expected), and a brief CV (150 words maximum).