

## Religion, Politics & Culture in the Papacy of Gregory XV (online, 5 Feb 21)

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An international, virtual conference (5 February 2021) hosted by Kutztown University of Pennsylvania. Organized by T. Corey Brennan (Department of Classics - Rutgers University) and Pierette Kulpa (Department of Art, Kutztown University).

We invite papers (20 minutes, pre-recorded) on any aspect—political, diplomatic, theological, cultural—of the pontificate of Gregory XV Ludovisi (1621-1623), for presentation at a one day virtual conference on Friday 5 February 2021 (9am-5pm Eastern US time). We hope to attract participants from a range of academic levels and fields. To be considered, please submit an abstract (350-500 words) to [progettoludovisi@gmail.com](mailto:progettoludovisi@gmail.com) by [new extended deadline] 20 November 2020. The program will be announced 6 November 2020. Selected participants should plan to attend (via ZOOM) their assigned panel in real time for discussion following their pre-recorded presentation. The default language of the conference is English; however presenters may deliver their papers also in Italian, German, French, or Spanish, if they provide a written English translation. The recorded presentations will be closed captioned for accessibility.

This conference is meant to anticipate the 400th anniversary of the election of Alessandro Ludovisi as pope on 9 February 1621. At the time, few must have expected the frail 67 year old Bolognese cardinal to live long enough to make much of a difference with his pontificate, beyond perhaps resolving the most urgent political challenges he inherited from his predecessor, Paul V Borghese (reigned 1605-1621). Yet before his death just 29 months later (8 July 1623), Gregory XV Ludovisi registered an impressively broad series of accomplishments that invite renewed attention, analysis and critique.

Conference website: <https://ludovisi.org/>

Reference:

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