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http://britaix17-18.univ-provence.fr/dissenting-experience.php http://www.english.qmul.ac.uk/drwilliams/events/dissexp.html

### REGISTRATION

All are welcome, and attendance at the conference is free of charge. Prior registration is essential as places are limited to 70.

Please complete the form below, detach and return. Alternatively (and preferably), email the details specified below to: anne.page@univ-amu.fr

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## Saturday 9 November 2013

## Dr Williams's Library - 14 Gordon Square - London WC1H OAR



# Dissenting Experience, Experiencing Dissent:

Church Life - Pastors & their Congregations

#### **Saturday 9 November 2013** Dr Williams's Library, 14 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0AR

This one-day conference, organised by the Centre for the English-Speaking World of Aix-Marseille Université in association with the Dr Williams's Centre for Dissenting Studies, focuses on the experience of church life for dissenting congregations (Congregational, Baptist, and Presbyterian) throughout the seventeenth century. The church stood at the centre of dissenting experience. It gave shape to religious worship and nurtured doctrine through the formation of communities with distinct religious and social identities. This conference examines the social and religious function of the dissenting church, how pastors and their congregations interacted, how individuals related to their church as a religious community, and how churches affected religious experience and conversion. This is the first in a series of three annual events exploring the collective experience of the dissenting churches in the period 1600-1800.

9.00am Registration and coffee

9.25-9.35 Welcome Dr James Vigus (Queen Mary University of London) Dr David Wykes (Director, Dr Williams's Library)

9.35-9.45 Introduction Professor Anne Dunan-Page (Aix-Marseille Université)

**MORNING SESSION: THE PRESBYTERIANS** Chair: Dr Polly Ha (East Anglia)

9.45-10.15 'Pastors, People and Presbyterianism in Revolutionary England, 1645-1660' Dr Elliot Vernon (London)

### 10.15-10.45

'Reformed Pastors: Models of Pastoral Care and Neglect at the Westminster Assembly' Dr Chad van Dixhoorn (Reformed Theological Seminary, Washington)

10.45-11.15 Discussion

### 11.15-11.45 Coffee

11.45-12.15 'Maintaining a Pastoral Identity: Presbyterian Ministers Negotiate the Restoration (1660-1672)' Professor Ann Hughes (Keele University)

12.15-12.45 Discussion

AFTERNOON SESSION 1 The Pastoral Office: Case Studies Chair: Professor John Coffey (University of Leicester)

14.00-14.30 'John Owen, Scholastic Theology and Congregational Life' Professor Crawford Gribben (Queen's University, Belfast)

14.30-15.00 'The Reformed Pastor as Nonconformist: Richard Baxter after 1662' Professor N. H. Keeble (University of Stirling)

15.00-15.30 Discussion

15.30-16.00 Coffee

AFTERNOON SESSION 2 Finding One's Place: Pastors and their Congregations Chair: Dr Joel Halcomb Joel Halcomb (University of Cambridge)

16.00-16.30 'Finding a place for dissent in seventeenth-century London' Dr Kathleen Lynch (Folger Institute, Washington)

16.30-17.00'Life After Bunyan: Ebenezer Chandler and the Pastorship of the Bedford Congregation, 1691-1720'Dr Michael Davies (Liverpool)

17.00-17.30 Discussion

12.45-14.00 Lunch