

Globalvat Research Program

« Law, Institution and Politics under the Pius XII's pontificate »

Sceaux Colloquium

University of Paris-Saclay – Faculté Jean Monnet (Law, Economics and Management)

Droit et Sociétés Religieuses (DSR) Unit Research

7th-8th December 2023

The recent opening (2020) by Pope Francis of the Vatican archives for the period of the pontificate of Pius XII (1939-1958) has drawn the attention of the scientific media and a broad public to the Roman archives and their contribution to knowledge of the history of the contemporary world. Among the many research programs underway, the GlobalVat program, supported by the French National Research Agency (Agence Nationale pour la Recherche – ANR) for a period of four years (2022-2025), brings together some twenty specialists around the French School of Rome and the LARHRA (Laboratoire de recherche historique Rhône-Alpes, UMR 5190). Within this framework, a two-day colloquium will be held in Sceaux on December 7 and 8, 2023, under the aegis of the Droit et Sociétés Religieuses (DSR) laboratory of the Paris-Saclay University, associated with the GlobalVat program, on the theme « Law, Institution and Politics under the Pius XII's pontificate ».

Coming from an old family of jurists and diplomats traditionally attached to the service of the Holy See, himself a doctor *in utroque* of the Apollinaire and then a professor of canon law at the Roman Seminary as well as at the Academy of Noble Ecclesiastics, Pope Pacelli has, throughout his pontificate, maintained an intimate intellectual relationship with the questions and values of law, placed at the heart of his magisterium and allowing to evoke a *juridical thought* of Pius XII.

Conceived in articulation with two other scientific events that will be held respectively in Lyon in 2024 (on diplomacy and the international stakes of the pontificate) and in Brest in 2025 (on Pius XII and France), this colloquium will welcome interventions of a theoretical nature or presenting case studies. The aim will be to understand and analyze the evolution of the Church's government during this period, the evolution of canonical doctrine, ecclesiology and theology in preparation for the revision of the *Codex juris canonici* of 1917, as well as Rome's view of the political life of European countries and the juridical themes deployed by Pius XII in his magisterial teaching.

This call is addressed to doctoral students, teacher-researchers and researchers.

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Conference languages:
English, French, Spanish, Italian.

Modalities of submission of the proposals of communication:

The proposals of communication, of 3000 signs maximum, accompanied by a bibliography of 1000 signs maximum, will have to be sent by e-mail before April 30, 2023 to François Jankowiak (francois.jankowiak@universite-paris-saclay.fr) and Sarah Thomas (sarah.thomas1@universite-paris-saclay.fr).

The papers selected by the scientific committee will be announced in early June by e-mail. The contributions will be the subject of a complementary expertise and a publication after the conference.