

Einladung zum Gastvortrag

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Women in Early Christian Armenia

The adoption of Christianity as the official religion of the Arsacid kingdom of Greater Armenia at the beginning of the fourth century is viewed as a particularly significant event in the history of the Armenian people. Christianisation not only transformed the society and introduced a new element in the geopolitical relations in the area, but it also contributed to the development and perpetuation of Armenian culture and national identity. The Armenian historical tradition has preserved memories of glorious, powerful women who had an active participation in both the conversion of the nation and the subsequent propagation of the Christian faith and values.

This talk discusses the traditional narratives of Armenia's Christianisation (*History of Armenia* by Agat'angełos / Agathangelos and the anonymous *Martyrdom of St Thaddeus and Sanduχt*), and explores the ways in which women are represented by the first generation of Christian Armenian writers.

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Anschließend wird zu einem Glas Wein gebeten!
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