

Einladung zum Gastvortrag

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Sailing to Byzantium: the life and career of George – Gregory of Cyprus

To construct the life and career of George—Gregory of Cyprus (1241-1290) we have as a guide his concise *autobiography*, composed by the author in 1285 to serve as an introduction to the edition of his works. Further assistance is offered by his voluminous correspondence and his other surviving works, which shed light both on his teaching and his involvement in the theological debates of his day. Additional information can be culled from the works of his students as well as his contemporaries who were either in friendly relations or declared enemies of his. George as a young man secretly left his native island to pursue advanced studies in Nicaea and later in Constantinople under George Akropolites. He became a distinguished teacher of rhetoric in the «Higher Imperial School» c. 1273 and ten years later was elevated to the patriarchal throne as Gregory II. Six years later he was forced to abdicate and died shortly afterwards in Constantinople. His students formed a leading group in the capital and dominated the intellectual circles for nearly two generations.

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