

INCUNABULA

at the Universitätsbibliothek Erlangen-Nürnberg
in Context: interdisciplinary Case Studies and
International Research Perspectives



13. November
9.30 - 16 h

The printed book was one of the most extraordinary revolutions of the Modern Age. Fifty years after the Gutenberg Bible was printed in Mainz around 1455, millions of printed books circulated in Europe, reaching a great number of people thanks to their accessible price; they had a strong impact on society and economy, spreading knowledge and ideas that are the basis of our contemporary society. Half a million incunabula – books printed before 1501 – survive today, being incredible witnesses to the late fifteenth century society and its reaction to such great technological innovation.

Research devoted to incunabula brings scholars to a better understanding of history, helps libraries and private collections to preserve their printed books and contributes enormously to disseminate international

cultural heritage. Germany is home to some of the richest collections of early printed books in the world, one of them being the Library of the Friedrich-Alexander-Universität in Erlangen.

The seminar will bring together students and scholars from the universities of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Gießen, Göttingen, Mainz, Oxford, Rome, Turin, and Udine, and librarians and curators from Bamberg, Berlin, Erlangen, and Munich: their presentations will offer an insight into the incunabula in Erlangen (first session), as well as in other German collections such as Nuremberg and Bamberg (second session), exploring their history, different topics related to the material production of these books, and cataloguing perspectives in connection with the MEI database.



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Ort: Sitzungssaal, Universitätsbibliothek Erlangen-Nürnberg (UB)
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