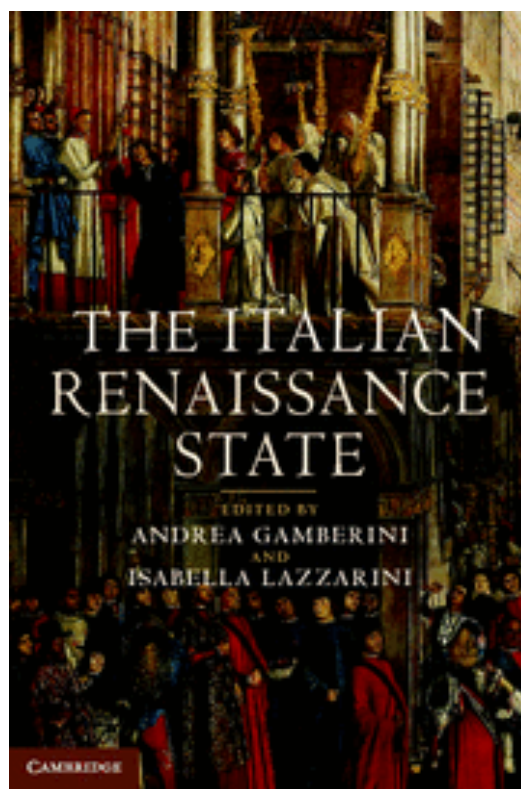


# The Italian Renaissance State?

History Faculty, Oxford: 3 November 2012

A Workshop on



- 9.50 a.m. **Welcome** by John Watts (Oxford) and Patrick Lantschner (Oxford)
- 10.00 a.m. **Cities and States**  
**Patrick Lantschner (Oxford); Respondent: Andrea Gamberini (Milan)**
- Where does this book stand in relation to the role Italian historiography has attributed to cities?
  - How can cities be conceptualised and understood after the recent research on regional states, diplomacy and pan-Italian forms of political organisation?
  - Is there an 'Italian' story of cities, and how does it fit into the wider European picture or that of the Mediterranean?
- 11.20 a.m. Coffee break
- 11.50 a.m. **Regions and States**  
**Tom Scott (St Andrews); Respondent: Marco Gentile (Parma)**
- How has the concept of 'region' been employed in recent European research? How can regions be defined and boundaries be drawn?
  - How do the economic and political imperatives of the city-states influence the development of distinct economic regions?
  - What similarities and what differences existed between the regional states of Italy?
- 1.15 p.m. Lunch
- 2.30 p.m. **The 'Renaissance State'**  
**Oren Margolis (Vienna); Respondent: Isabella Lazzarini (Molise)**
- Where is the Renaissance in the 'Renaissance state'?
  - How have works on political culture and language differentiated our notion of statehood in the Renaissance? How does this compare to similar developments in the historiographies of other European states?
  - How does state formation square with the profusion of internal conflicts within Italian polities and warfare between them?
- 4.00 p.m. Coffee break
- 4.15 p.m. **Concluding discussion introduced by John Watts (Oxford)**
- 5.00 p.m. Drinks

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