## International Conference Early Modern Sovereignties 5-6 February 2015 - Programme

Thursday 5 February 2015   Conference day 1   Irish College	
09.30	Registration   Coffee
10.00	Opening of the Conference Welcome Luk Draye   Dean of the Faculty of Arts, KU Leuven Opening remarks Erik De Bom   KU Leuven
10.15	Session 1   Chair : Violet Soen 10.15-11.00: Robert Von Friedeburg (Erasmus Unversity Rotterdam), Bodin's Promise to France's Elites: Property and Security Through Sovereignty. 11.00-11.45: Lies Van Aelst (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Conform to the Government and Acknowledge the Sovereignty. Simon Stevin and Francois Vranck: A Practical Approach to Contested Sovereignty.
12.00	Lunch
13.30	<b>Session 2</b>   Chair : Erik De Bom 13.30-14.15: Hans W. Blom (Erasmus University Rotterdam), <i>The Power of the State and its</i> <i>Legitimation in the Political Thought of Grotius and his Followers</i> 14.15-15.00: Guus van Nifterik (University of Amsterdam), <i>Ideas on Sovereignty: Soto, Vázquez and</i> <i>Grotius</i>
15.00	Coffee
15.30	Session 3   Chair : Andrea Robiglio 15.30-16.15 : Dominique Bauer (KU Leuven), The Prince as a Self-Legislating Agent with Francisco Suárez 16.15-17.00: Erik De Bom (KU Leuven), What Makes a State a State? Humanist and Scholastic Perspectives in the Work of Nicolaus Vernulaeus
Friday 6 February 2015   Conference day 2   Irish College	
09.30	Session 4   Chair : Randall Lesaffer 09.30-10.15: James Mearns (KU Leuven), The Legal Humanist Contribution to Concepts of Power in Early Modern France 10.15-11.00: René Vermeir (UGent), Representative Institutions and Law Making in the Habsburg Netherlands During the Early 17th Century
11.00	Coffee
11.30	<b>Session 5</b>   Chair : René Vermeir 11.30-12.15: Shavana Musa (Tilburg University), <i>The Dutch: Their Wars, Their Gains and Their Losses</i> 12.15-13.00: Bram De Ridder (KU Leuven), <i>Territorial Strife and Sovereignty in the Aftermath of the</i> <i>Eighty Years War</i>
13.00	Lunch
14.00	<b>Session 6</b>   Chair : Werner Thomas 14.00-14.45: José Javier Ruiz Ibáñez (Universitad de Murcia), On Electing a Prince. The Popular Transfer of Sovereignty at the End of the Sixteenth Century 14.45-15.30: Simon Groenveld (Leiden University), Dutch Sovereigns at Work in the First Half of the Seventeenth Century
15.30	Coffee
16.00	<b>Session 7</b>   Chair : Simon Groenveld 16.00-16.45: Gustaaf Janssens (KU Leuven), 'The King is the Real Souvereign of this Countries'. Politics of Justice and Order of the Duke of Alba in the Netherlands 16.45-17.30: Alicia Esteban (Universidad de Alcalá), The Principality of the Archdukes: Project, Practice and Extinction of a "Separate Sovereignty"
17.30	Closing remarks Randall Lesaffer   Tilburg University & KU Leuven Werner Thomas   KU Leuven