



Database Overview

The RELMIN database contains a collection of legal texts related to the status of religious minorities in the Euro-Mediterranean world. Coverage spans from the 5th to the 15th century. The texts are presented in their original language (Latin, Arabic, Greek, Hebrew, etc.) together with translations, notes, and commentaries in English AND French.

The default access point to the database is the French language interface. Use the link at the top of the search screen to toggle to the English language interface. The interface determines whether you see English or French translations, notes, and commentaries.



Advanced Search



The advanced search interface facilitates discovery in more than one way. A list of keywords acts as a thesaurus and brings together all texts on the same topic. Although situated adjacent to the title search fields these are not title keywords. You may limit your search by date, original language, or text type (e.g., fatwas and responsa). A second advanced search interface accessible via a radio button offers advanced author search options.

Texts



The texts tab generates a list of the over 600 texts contained in the database. Texts are ordered in the sequence in which they were entered into the database.

Authors



The authors page lists over 100 authors in alphabetical order. Each author's record is linked to texts by the author and includes a short biography. Authors whose names are transliterated can be difficult to identify. Use the advanced author search to locate their texts.

Glossary



The glossary provides concise definitions of the specialized terminology used in the database.

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Text Records

The text records in the database contain an impressive amount of information about each text. Every record includes the translation together with an original language copy of the text as well as a reference of the publication or archive from which the text was sourced. A short paragraph contextualizes the text and describes its historical significance. Related secondary sources are listed in addition. Other information provided includes the author's name, the common English title together with a descriptive title, the text type, the original language and the date of the text, available print editions and translations, links to related texts in the database, assigned hyperlinked keywords, and the article's authors and contributors.

Related Publications

The RELMIN project conference proceedings are available online. Search for the title "Religion and law in medieval Christian and Muslim societies" in the Library's catalog to access individual volumes.

1. *The Legal Status of Ḍimmī-s in the Islamic West (second/eighth-ninth/fifteenth Centuries)*
2. *Jews in Early Christian Law: Byzantium and the Latin West, 6th-11th Centuries*
3. *Religious Cohabitation in European Towns (10th-15th Centuries).*
4. *Les papes et le Maghreb aux XIIIème et XIVème siècles: Étude des lettres pontificales de 1199 à 1419*
5. *Expulsion and Diaspora Formation: Religious and Ethnic Identities in Flux from Antiquity to the Seventeenth Century*
6. *Religious Minorities, Integration and the State*
7. *Jews and Christians in Medieval Europe: The Historiographical Legacy of Bernhard Blumenkranz*
8. *Religious Minorities in Christian, Jewish and Muslim Law (5th-15th Centuries)*
9. *Law and Religious Minorities in Medieval Societies: Between Theory and Praxis*

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