

JOINT RESEARCH SEMINAR PANTHÉON SORBONNE UNIVERSITY (PARIS 1) – HICSA
AND
THE MEDICI ARCHIVE PROJECT

THE MEDICI & THEIR WORLDS

SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2026

HICSA, GALERIE COLBERT, PARIS

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ALESSIO ASSONITIS (THE MEDICI ARCHIVE PROJECT)

SCHEDULE

ALL SEMINAR SESSIONS TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAYS AT 11:00 A.M. (SALLE JULLIAN, 1ST FLOOR)
LECTURES WILL BE HELD IN ENGLISH OR FRENCH

Thursday, 24 September 2026

Sefy Hendler (Hicsa Paris 1), Alessio Assonitis (MAP),

Gwladys Le Cuff (Paris 1 – INHA)

Introduction:

Who Were the Medici, and What Did the "World" Mean to Them?

Thursday, 1 October 2026

Sefy Hendler (Hicsa Paris 1)

The Medici and the Jews: Between Myth and Reality.

The Case of Joseph the Patriarch

Thursday, 8 October 2026

Sefy Hendler (Hicsa Paris 1)

The Medici and the Holy Land:

A New Look at the Medici Altar

Thursday, 15 October 2026

Gwladys Le Cuff (Paris 1 – INHA)

Cultural Exchanges, Diplomatic Gifts, and the Hegemonic

Projects of the Medici Popes Leo X and Clement VII

Thursday, 22 October 2026

Gwladys Le Cuff (Paris 1 – INHA)

Eastern Cultural Presence in Italy and

the Medici Collections of Islamic Art

Thursday, 3 December 2026

Alessio Assonitis (The Medici Archive Project)

Searching for the Other in the Medici Archives

(1537–1743): Letters, Inventories, and Maps

Thursday, 10 December 2026

Valentina Conticelli (Uffizi Galleries)

The World in a Room: Cabinets, Laboratories,

and Chambers of Wonders in the Theatre of

Knowledge of the Uffizi Gallery