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# Consuetudo

## Thomas Aquinas on Common Practices and the Foundations of Normativity

**SEPTEMBER 29TH 2025**

**ROSSAZZO ABBEY,  
PIAZZA ABBAZIA 5  
MANZANO**

**9.00**

**Greetings**

**Silvia Bolognini**

Director of the Department  
of Legal Sciences,  
University of Udine

**Introduction and  
Chairperson:**

**Gabriele De Anna**

University of Udine,  
Project Coordinator

*Species in Habitu vs.  
Intellectual Habits?: Light,  
Memory, and Scientific  
Knowledge in Aquinas*

**Thérèse Scarpelli Cory**

University of Notre Dame, USA

*Why Some Think Faster:  
Aquinas on Intelligence*

**Luca Gili**

University of Chieti, Italy, and  
University of Vilnius, Lithuania

*Discerning the Natural Law  
via Phronesis: How can Plain  
Persons Vindicate,  
Revise, or Reject their  
Consuetudines?*

**Daniel De Haan**

Oxford University, UK

**13:00**

**Lunch**

**14:30**

**Chairperson:**

**Manuele Dozzi**

University of Udine

*Aquinas and Wittgenstein on  
Habits and Customs*

**Paul O'Grady**

Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

*What is Custom and What is  
its Value?*

**Tom Angier**

University of Cape Town, South  
Africa

*Consuetudo, Second Nature,  
and Practical Rationality*

**Matteo Negro**

University of Catania, Italy

**20.30**

**Conference concert**

**The University of Udine  
Symphony Orchestra at  
Rosazzo Abbey**

*Music by Bach, Baermann,  
Marcello and Mozart*

**Conductor:**

**Maestro Davide Pitis**

**Soloists:**

**Anna Piani** and

**Giovanni Freschi** (violins),

**Francesco Savonitto** (oboe)

and **Mario Zanette** (clarinet)

**SEPTEMBER 30TH 2025**

**AUDITORIUM,  
DEPARTMENT  
OF LEGAL SCIENCES,  
VIA TOMADINI 3, UDINE**

**9.30**

**Greetings**

**Angelo Montanari**

Rector of the University of Udine

**Elvio Ancona**

University of Udine,  
Coordinator of the  
Normativity Research Group

**Chairperson:**

**Andrea Tabarroni**

University of Udine

*Are Individual Prudence,  
Household Prudence and  
Political Prudence  
Specifically the Same Virtue?  
Thomas Aquinas, Godfrey of  
Fontaines, and John of  
Pouilly on the Kinds of  
Prudence*

**Tobias Hoffmann**

Sorbonne University, Paris,  
France

*Imagination and the  
Intelligence of Animals in  
Albert the Great and Thomas  
Aquinas*

**Matthias Perkams**

University of Jena, Germany

*Inventio and disciplina. Two  
Ways to Acquire Knowledge  
according to Thomas Aquinas*

**Luca Tuninetti**

Urbanian University of Rome,  
Italy

**13:00**

**Lunch**

**14:30**

**Chairperson:**

**Giulia Codognato**

University of Udine

*Gutta cavat lapidem.*

*Albert the Great,*

*Consuetudo,*

*and the Via to Being Good*

**Marco Vorcelli**

University of Padua, Italy

*Prius addiscere logicam.*

*On the Transmission of*

*Knowledge According*

*to Aquinas*

**Michele Saracino**

University of Turin, Italy

*Bad Custom Cannot  
Become Law: Thomas  
Aquinas and Contemporary  
Debates on Customary Law  
Abstract*

**Hagos Woldeeselassie**

**Fissuh**

Gregorian University  
of Rome, Italy



**DISG<sup>30</sup>**

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**Scientific Organisation**

**Gabriele De Anna**

**Giulia Codognato**

**Further Information**

Shuttles between Udine and the  
Rossazzo Abbey will be arranged.  
Those interested in having places  
in the shuttles are kindly requested to  
book well in advance by writing to the  
organisers

**For any question**

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