

MÄLARDALEN ESOTERICISM SEMINARS (MES)

AUTUMN 2025

DESCRIPTION

The Mälardalen Esotericism Seminars (MES) is a collaborative series of research seminars bringing together established scholars, PhD candidates and advanced students researching various aspects of esotericism at universities in the Mälardalen area. Seminars focus on work in progress by MES members or invited scholars, and on discussion of new developments in the field. MES currently consists of regular participants from Stockholm University, Södertörn University, Linköping University, and Uppsala University. The Autumn 2025 seminars will be hosted at Stockholm University.

For information about the seminar series or to join the mailing list, please contact Egil Asprem (egil.asprem@rel.su.se).

PROGRAM

October 23, 14.00–16.00 (Stockholm University, D4120)

Focus seminar: Esotericism and the Far Right. Current approaches and debates. Contributing: Gustaf Forsell (Uppsala University), Egil Asprem (Stockholm University).

November 13, 14.00–16.00 (Stockholm University, Gula villan, Ninox)

Juhan Björn (Bernadotte fellow; Lund University): Presentation of a new research project on illustrations in the Arabic magical manuscript, *Kitāb al-Mandal*. Reader: Andrea Franchetto.

December 3, 14.00–16.00 (Stockholm University, D4120)

Discussion of two research application ideas.

- Kristoffer Noheden (SU) and Per Faxneld (SH), project on esotericism and film.
- Malin Fitger (Linköping) and Fredrik Gregorius (Linköping), project on the Archives for the Unexplained.