The decades at the turn of the 17th century were a crucial period in the Swedish state- and society-building process.

The system of political participation, of decision-making and jurisdiction was transferred from the medieval kingdoms and played a significant role in forming the political and cultural identity of the newly emerging Realm in the 16th century. In the course of growing influence in the Baltic region and internal consolidation these overcome administrative structures had to be adjusted to the current needs of an efficient administration. New input came either from foreign experts employed to important positions at court or from Swedes studying abroad to enter services in the church or state administration. The importance of such transfer of knowledge had often been stressed.

The aim of this workshop is to bring scholars together to explore issues related to transfer processes between Sweden and the Holy Roman Empire. The topics of juridical transfer will be embedded in the wider context of European migration and transfer processes in the fields of politics, science, trade, administration and arts.

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