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### I COLLEGI PER STRANIERI a/e ROMA NELL'ETÀ MODERNA, vol. I: CINQUE-SETTECENTO.

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This publication is the first of two concerning Colleges for Foreigners in Rome (it will be followed by *I Collegi per stranieri a Roma 1750–1915*). Conceived within the series *Studi di Storia delle istituzioni ecclesiastiche*, this work is the result of the cooperation between the Istituto Nazionale di Studi Romani, University of Tuscia and Fraknói Vilmos Római Történeti Kutatócsoport (Vilmos Fraknói Vatican Historical Research Group), a research institute founded in the Catholic Péter Pázmány University and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. This cooperation, in the past, has already led to the publication of other volumes, also belonging to the same series: *Gli "angeli custodi" delle monarchie: i cardinali protettori delle nazioni*, edited by Matteo Sanfilippo and Péter Tusor, and the two books *Gli Agenti presso la Santa Sede delle comunità e degli stati stranieri*, vol. I: *Secoli XV-XVIII* and vol. II: *Secoli XVIII–XX*.

This volume allows an in-depth study of a peculiar aspect of the foreign presence in Rome (and other cities), namely the flow of young men into the city to educate themselves in facilities dedicated to their places of origin. The chronological span observed in this book encompasses the sixteenth and eighteenth centuries and maintains the work of the Holy See as a fundamental point of reference. This is a task that has fascinated many scholars over the years and yet is a challenging one. Indeed, the adoption of unsatisfactory angles has made it necessary to re-examine the subject, trying to deliver an organic view of it.

The book is structured in ten chapters, each describing one or more aspects of a Rome-based collegiate institution for foreigners, its birth, history, administrative vicissitudes, and the personalities who have succeeded it. The first chapter, *I Collegi per stranieri a/e Roma nel Cinque-Settecento: una introduzione storico-storiografica*, written by Matteo Sanfilippo, examines the work of Gaetano Moroni, who in his compendium recalls the institutions that disappeared in the late Eighteenth and early Nineteenth Centuries. Focusing on the colleges for foreigners, it shows how the city of Rome became a centre of linguistic and cultural learning and exchange. However, the conflict between the various *nationes*, which did not always accept the return of students to their homeland, also emerged.

The second chapter, *Il Collegio Germanico-Ungarico di Roma ed il suo "Liber Ordinationum*", written by Péter Tusor, is divided into two paragraphs. The first, *Il Collegium Germanicum Hungaricum alla luce della storiografia*, focuses on the new aspects surfacing from the study of monographs on its history, such as the spread of religious culture by students over a wide area of Europe and the influence of Rome,

which can be traced in every sphere. The second section, *Il libro delle ordinazioni del Collegium Germanicum et Hungaricum*, focuses on this document, the book of ordinations of the *Collegium Germanicum et Hungaricum*, which enriches the history of the institution with new research findings, which include places and dates of ordinations, but also the administrative aspects of these.

The third chapter, *La raccolta inedita di Endre Veress sulla storia del Collegio Germanico-Ungarico*, by Tamas Véghseo, is an account of a study begun during another research. Emblematic of this section are Endre Veress's studies on the phenomenon of peregrinatio academica, which focuses on the *Collegio Germanico-Ungarico* students from the Kingdom of Hungary.

The fourth chapter, *Ruteni scismatici, ruteni uniti e la fondazione del collegio di Vilnius*, was written by Alessandro Boccolini and is divided into three paragraphs. The first, *Premessa*, deals with geographic and religious considerations and the relations between the Holy See and Polish rulers, to which the Moscow threat on Ruthenia, both political and religious, is combined. The second paragraph, *La fondazione del Collegio*, examines the reasons that led to the choice of Vilnius as a suitable place for the building of the collegiate institution. The third paragraph, *L'efficacia del Collegio di Vilnius*, focuses on the development and critical issues of the college.

The fifth chapter, *Tolleranza e pluriconfessionalità nella Rzeczpospolita del XVII secolo. L'istituzione a Leopoli del collegio armeno-cattolico*, belongs to the pen of Gaetano Platania. Divided into five paragraphs, the first, *Premessa*, describes the handling of the religious issue by the rulers of the *Rzeczpospolita*, who were dealing with a territory characterized by extreme religious diversity. From these considerations, the second paragraph, *Gli Armeni di Leopoli e l'idea di un "collegio"*, focuses on the process that led to the founding of a college in Lviv, addressing administrative and logistical issues. The third and fourth paragraphs, *Nascita del Collegio Armeno-cattolico a Leopoli* and *Il difficile lavoro di padre Galeno*, dwell on the difficulties encountered in establishing the college and economic issues. The Conclusioni is about the death of the rector, Father Clemente Galeno, and the stability gained by the collegiate institution.

The sixth chapter, *I Collegi illirici in Italia*, written by Jadranka Neralic, presents an excursus of the history of teaching pastoral clergy until the advent of colleges. Divided into four paragraphs, *Il Collegio Illirico ungarico di Bologna*, *Collegio Illirico di Bologna*, *Collegio Illirico di San Pietro e Paolo di Fermo* and *Studenti illirici/dalmati a Roma*: the chapter focuses on the colleges in Bologna, Loreto, and Fermo, which were established for Croatian and Albanian students, to educate them and send them on mission to their homelands.

The seventh chapter, *The English College, Rome, and the English colleges of Valladolid and Saint-Omer*, was written by Maurice Whitehead. Beginning with the figures of Cardinal Reginald Pole and Queen Mary Tudor, it is about the development of post-Reformation goals in England and Wales to the attendance by young English and Welsh men at Catholic colleges that had embraced the Catholic mission. Next, the focus shifted to establishing colleges in Spain and Portugal, which occurred thanks to the English Jesuit Robert Persons, and then returned to secular clergy in England, Wales, and Scotland.

The eighth chapter is entitled Il collegio irlandese di Roma e la rete di analoghi collegi

*nell'Europa cattolica*. Matteo Binasco writes it and analyzes the Irish presence in the city of Rome from the earliest records to the problematic issue of the absence of an Irish college and the hypotheses that could justify this to the creation of the first collegiate institutions for Irish people. It then returns to a theme already examined during these chapters, namely the non-return to the home territories by students from national boarding schools and the various career outlets that could be pursued once their studies were completed.

The ninth chapter, *The Scots College Rome in the* 17<sup>th</sup> *Century: Strategies for Supporting the Catholic Mission*, was written by Karie Schultz and deals with the many difficulties faced by Catholic missionaries in Scotland. Starting with the need to prepare more missionaries for pastoral work, the differences between Scots and other nations and how the former perceived the latter are then analyzed.

Finally, the focus shifts to how Catholic authorities attempted to unify the English, Welsh, and Scottish colleges in Rome. The tenth chapter, *Note sul carattere sovranazionale/multinazionale del Collegio Urbano di Propaganda Fide*", written by Giovanni Pizzorusso, is an analysis of the *Collegio Urbano* and starts by comparing it with the Roman College of the Society of Jesus, analyzing their differences and common goals.