Volumi della natura: the meeting dedicated to the 500th anniversary of Ulysse Aldrovandi

(September 14, 2022, The Exhibition Hall of the Library of the Russian academy of sciences)

The Library of the Russian academy of sciences organises a seminar dedicated to the 500th anniversary of Ulysse Aldrovandi. The seminar will take place on September 14 2022 at 11:00 (Moscow time). Several Russian historians of science, art historians, biologists and bibliographers are going to make presentations on Ulysses Aldrovandi's role and place in the Early Modern science, on the significance of the works of Ulisse Aldrovandi for the development of botany and zoology, on the preservation of the scientific heritage of Ulisse Aldrovandi in St. Petersburg and on related topics.

A small exhibition of rare editions of Ulisse Aldrovandi books of the 16th and the 17th centuries will be organised at the same time at the Library.

The morning session 11:00-14:00

11:00 Opening of the session

Welcoming speech by Irina M. Belyayeva, the Deputy Director of the Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences

Maxim V. Vinarski, St. Petersburg State University

Archaist and innovator: Ulysses Aldrovandi's role and place in the history of biology

Alexey V. Smirnov, the Zoological Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences Ulysse Aldrovandi and the rebirth of zoology in the middle of the 16th century

Ekaterina Yu. Basargina, the Archive of the Russian Academy of Sciences Svetlana I. Zenkevich, the Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences Ulysse Aldrovandi and Daniel Gottlieb Messerschmidt

Mikhail L. Sergeyev, the Institute of the History of Natural Sciences and Technology of the Russian Academy of Sciences

The museums of Ulisse Aldrovandi: Commentary on a letter to Thomas Jordan (1571)

The lunch break 14:00-15:00

The afternoon session 15:00-17:00

Inga G. Lander, St. Petersburg State University of Industrial Technologies and Design Exotic fauna of the newly discovered lands of America: the art of European natural science books of the 16th and 17th centuries (in the collection of the National Library of Russia)

Andrei K. Sytin, the Botanical Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences

About the book by Giacinto Ambrosini «Phytologiae hoc est de Plantis...» and about the herbarium of

Robert Areskin (Erskine)

Andrey N. Ostrovsky, St. Petersburg State University

Images of zoophytes in the works of early naturalists: an unexpected discovery in the collection of parchments of the Archduke of Tyrol

Yulia A. Dunaeva, The Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences

How complete is the collection of early Bolognese editions of Ulisse Aldrovandi in the Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences?

Display of rare editions by Ulisse Aldrovandi from the collection of the Library of the Russian Academy of Sciences.