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*Financial crises and socio-political conflicts: an inter-urban comparison of guild movements in the early 16th century*

In 1525 a guild riot against the municipality broke out in Groningen and led to a temporary guild regime. Guild movements are also known from Utrecht, where the unrest began in 1521 and in fact continued until 1528, from Deventer, in 1526 to 1528, while for instance in Zutphen after an initial burp in 1494 riots broke out in 1526 and again in 1538 to 1539. In all cases, a crisis in the management of urban finance was the stumbling block, but the context in which the tensions unloaded seems to be different. External and internal political relations, but also internal urban social relations and local and regional economic conditions play a role. The aim is to gain visibility on structural or incidental factors by comparing conditions and sequence of events.