STEFANIA ZUCCHINI, *Mater e domina. Ambizioni e domini territoriali del comune di Perugia dall’epoca consolare al governo di popolo (secoli XII-XIV)*

*This paper analyses the relationship between Perugia and its countryside in the Middle Ages, seen on the overall context of the relationship between the city and the rural area. The study is based on a critical revision of the traditional historiographical reconstruction and on a very large number of unpublished sources, especially related to the XIV century. The essay aims to explain the complexity of the relationship between Perugia, the neighbouring small cities and the local powers, overcoming a linear and teleological vision focused on an urban-centric reading.*

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