Contents

Acknowledgments VII
Contributors VIII

Introduction 1
Albrecht Cordes and Stefania Gialdroni

PART 1 Mediterranean Networks

- Migrating Words and Migrating Custom among the Geniza Merchants:

 Maimonides on Commercial Agency Law 13

 Mark R. Cohen
- 2 Propter Conversationem Diversarum Gentium: Migrating Words and Merchants in Medieval Pisa 28 Stefania Gialdroni
- 3 'Migrating Seamen, Migrating Laws'? An Historiographical Genealogy of Seamen's Employment and States' Jurisdiction in the Early Modern Mediterranean 54 Maria Fusaro
- 4 Lingua Franca and Migrations 84 *Guido Cifoletti*

PART 2 European Networks

- 5 Brokers as German-Italian Cultural Mediators in Renaissance
 Venice 95

 *Uwe Israel**
- 6 German-East Slavic (Language) Contacts in Legal Texts of the Thirteenth-Fifteenth Centuries 118 Catherine Squires

- 7 The Language of the Law: The Lübeck Law Codes (ca. 1224–1642) 137 Albrecht Cordes
- 8 A Legal World Market? The Exchange of Commercial Law in Fifteenth-Century Bruges 163 Bart Lambert
- 9 Wörter für Wucher: Ius commune and the Sixteenth Century Debate on the Legitimacy of South German Trading Houses 176 David von Mayenburg
- Transfer of Credit, Mercantile Mobility, and Language among Jewish Merchants in Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Central and East Central Europe 232 Cornelia Aust

PART 3 Atlantic Networks

- 11 Coming to Terms with the Atlantic World: German Merchants,
 Language, and English Legal Culture in the Early Modern
 Period 263

 Mark Häberlein
- Laws Customs Conventions: French Merchants and French Legal
 Doctrines in the Brazilian Law Courts in the Second Half of the
 Nineteenth Century 289
 Hanna Sonkajärvi

Index of Names 311
Index of Places 315
Index of Subjects 319