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The seventy-fourth annual meetings of the Economic History Association will be held at the Renaissance Downtown Columbus Hotel in Columbus, Ohio, 12–14 September 2014. The theme of the meetings is “Political Economy and Economic History.” The papers chosen for presentation follow:

**POLITICAL ECONOMY: THE GREAT DEPRESSION**

Joshua K. Hausman, *University of Michigan*, “Stagflation in the 1930s: Why Did the French New Deal Fail?”
Andrew Jalil, *Occidental College*, “Inflation Expectations and Recovery from the Depression: Evidence from the Narrative Record”

**HEALTH AND WELFARE**

John Parman, *College of William and Mary*, “Adoption and Adult Outcomes in the Early Twentieth Century”

**A LOOK BACK TO THE ANCIENT WORLD**

Joseph Manning, *Yale University*, “Kings and People: The Political Economy of the Ptolemaic Kingdom and Beyond”
Graham Oliver, *Brown University*, “People and Cities: Economic Horizons Beyond the Hellenistic Polis”
Alain Bresson, *The University of Chicago*, “Flexible Interfaces of the Hellenistic World”
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CITIES
Richard Hornbeck, Harvard University, “Creative Destruction: Barriers to Urban Growth and the Great Boston Fire of 1872”
Gregory Niemesh, Miami University, “Impact of Migration on Infant Health: Evidence from the Great Migration”
Randall Walsh, University of Pittsburgh, “Race, Ethnicity, and Zoning: The Case of Chicago’s First Comprehensive Land Use Ordinance”

MIGRATION AND IMMIGRATION
Leah Boustan, University of California, Los Angeles, “To the New World and Back Again: Return Migration and Upward Mobility”
Martine Mariotti, Australian National University, “Long-Run Impacts of Labor Migration on Human Capital Accumulation: Evidence from Malawi”
Ariell Zimran, Northwestern University, “Self-Selection of Immigrants on the Basis of Living Standards: Evidence from the Stature of Italian Immigrants at Ellis Island, 1907–1925”

POLITICAL ECONOMY: EUROPE
Mark Dincecco, University of Michigan, “Military Conflict and the Economic Rise of Urban Europe”
Rui Pedro Esteves, University of Oxford, “Archomania: The Place of Venality in French Public Finances”
Noel Johnson, George Mason University, “From State Capacity to Rule of Law in Old Regime France”

POLITICAL ECONOMY: LATIN AMERICA
Jose Diaz, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, “Perspiration and Inspiration: Two Centuries of Chilean Growth in Perspective”

TRADE
Alan de Bromhead, University of Oxford, “Women Voters and Trade Protectionism in the Interwar Years”
Christopher M. Meissner, University of California, Davis, “Technology and Geography in the Second Industrial Revolution: New Evidence from the Margins of Trade”

DIVERGING AND CONVERGING
Mark Koyama, George Mason University, “Unified China and Divided Europe”
Tony Moore, University of Reading, “Did Purchasing Power Parity Hold in Medieval Europe?”
POLITICAL ECONOMY: AMERICAN STATES AND TRIBES


DEBT, WEALTH, AND PENSIONS IN THE LONG NINETEENTH CENTURY

Brian Beach, *University of Pittsburgh*, “Do Markets Reward Constitutional Reform? Lessons from America’s State Debt Crisis”
Frank Garmon Jr., *University of Virginia*, “Wealth Levels and Distribution in the Early American Republic, 1785–1815”
Laura Salisbury, *York University*, “Determinants of Confederate Pension Legislation and Participation”

CORPORATIONS

Amanda Gregg, *Yale University*, “Factory Productivity and the Concession System of Incorporation in Late Imperial Russia”
Carl Kitchens, *University of Mississippi*, “Electricity Adoption and the Evolution of the Labor Market”

PRIESTS, WARS, AND PROPERTY

Metin Cosgel, *University of Connecticut*, “Theocracy”
Jessica Vechbanyongratana, *Chulalongkorn University*, “Property Rights, Land Markets, and Land Use in Bangkok: Consequences of Siam’s 1901 Land Act”

EDUCATION

Brian A’Hearn, *University of Oxford*, “Enfranchisement and Public Schooling: Evidence from Liberal Italy”
Shawn Kantor, *Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*, “Universities and Regional Development”

SOMETHING BLUE

Arnaud Mehl, *European Central Bank*, “Has the Dollar Always Dominated Global Oil Markets? Evidence and Implications for the International Monetary System”
Ahmed Rahman, *United States Naval Academy and Brown University*, “Benchmarking Job Mobility and Returns to Technical Skill for an Era with Rapid Innovation”
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BORROWING AND SHOCKS

Latika Chaudhary, *Scripps College*, “Protecting the Borrower: An Experiment in Colonial India”


ECONOMIC HISTORY SOCIETY ANNUAL CONFERENCE

27–29 MARCH 2015

UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON (TELFORD CAMPUS)

CALL FOR ACADEMIC PAPERS

The 2015 annual conference of the Economic History Society will be hosted by the University of Wolverhampton, at its Telford campus, from 27–29 March.

The conference programme committee welcomes proposals in all aspects of economic and social history covering a wide range of periods and countries, and particularly welcomes papers of an interdisciplinary nature. Scholars are not expected to present a paper in more than one session and preference may be given to those who did not present in the academic sessions at the previous year’s conference. Those currently studying for, or who have recently completed, a Ph.D. should submit a proposal to the New Researcher session; please contact Maureen Galbraith (ehsocsec@arts.gla.ac.uk) for further information.

The committee invites proposals for individual papers, as well as for entire sessions (3 speakers are optimum and no more than four papers will be accepted for any session of 105/120 minutes duration). Please note that the committee reserves the right to determine which papers will be presented in the session if it is accepted. If a session is not accepted, the committee may incorporate one, or more, of the proposed papers into other panels.

Proposals should please be submitted online via the Economic History Society website (www.ehs.org.uk). You will be asked to submit:

For single paper submissions:
- The title of the paper proposed.
- A short abstract of the paper proposed (400–500 words).
- Up to five keywords to help the conference coordinating committee allocate papers between sessions.
- Contact details (name, affiliation, and e-mail address; including those of co-authors).
- A brief C.V.

For sessions:
- The title of the proposed session.
- The rationale for the session (up to 100 words).
- The titles of each paper proposed.
- A short abstract for each paper proposed (400–500 words).
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Contact details for each speaker (name, affiliation, and e-mail address; including those of co-authors).

A brief C.V. for each proposed speaker.

For full consideration, proposals must be received by 5 September 2014. Notices of acceptance will be sent to individual paper-givers by mid-November 2014 when they will be asked to provide the following:

- A revised abstract of the paper (750–1,000 words) for inclusion in the conference booklet (by 12 December 2014).
- A brief non-technical summary of the paper (if required) for the “Media Briefings” section of the Society’s website (by 4 February 2015).
- An electronic copy of the full paper, or a web address where the paper is available for consultation (by 4 March 2015).

It is the normal expectation that speakers who submit a proposal for a paper to the conference committee should be able to obtain independent financial support for their travel and conference attendance. However, a very limited support fund exists to assist overseas speakers who are unable to obtain funding from their own institution or from another source. Details of this fund and an application form can be obtained from the Society’s administrative secretary, Maureen Galbraith. The completed application form must be submitted by the September deadline as later applications for support will be considered only in exceptional circumstances.

Any queries should please be directed to Maureen Galbraith.

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UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON (TELFORD CAMPUS)
CALL FOR NEW RESEARCHER PAPERS

The 2015 annual conference of the Economic History Society will be hosted by the University of Wolverhampton, at its Telford campus, from 27–29 March.

The annual conference opens with papers presented by new researchers. They offer those completing (or who have recently completed) doctorates the opportunity to present their own work before professional colleagues and to benefit from informed comment. Preference will be given to proposals from speakers who have not participated in a new researcher session at a previous Economic History Society conference.

The session will be held on the afternoon of Friday, 27 March 2015. Those wishing to be considered for inclusion in the programme must submit an application via the Economic History Society website (www.ehs.org.uk) by 5 September 2014. This should provide:

- A firm title.
- A succinct summary of the principal themes and methodology of the paper.
- An outline of probable conclusions.
- A supporting statement from the supervisor must be emailed separately.
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The summary should not exceed 500 words and should contain a clear statement of the progress of research and intended date for submission of the thesis. Please note that proposals from researchers at an early stage of their work will not normally be accepted.

Those selected for inclusion in the programme will be asked to submit a paper, 2,250–2,750 words in length, by 12 December 2014 for circulation in the conference booklet. Each new researcher will have the opportunity to speak for 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes of discussion. Up to two prizes of £500 will be awarded for the best sole-authored papers presented in the new researchers’ session.* The procedure for judging papers will be circulated to all participants.

The Economic History Society is able to offer limited financial support to enable new researchers to attend the conference when this is not available from their institution.

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* New researchers, who have achieved their Ph.D. by 31 December in the year preceding the conference, will not be eligible for the New Researcher Prize.