# Journal of Global History



**CAMBRIDGE** UNIVERSITY PRESS

https://doi.org/10.1017/S1740022812000198 Published online by Cambridge University Press

## Journal of Global History

#### **Chief Editor**

Professor William Gervase Clarence-Smith SOAS Department of History Thornhaugh Street London WC1H 0XG, UK *E-mail: wc2@soas.ac.uk* 

#### Editors

Professor Kenneth Pomeranz University of California, Irvine Department of History 200 Murray Krieger Hall Irvine CA 92697-3275, USA *E-mail: klpomera@uci.edu* 

Professor Merry E. Wiesner-Hanks University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Department of History Holton Hall 2442 E. Hartford Milwaukee WI 53211 USA E-mail: merrywh@uwm.edu

#### Dr John Chalcraft

London School of Economics and Political Science Department of Government Houghton Street London WC2A 2AE, UK *E-mail: journal.global.history.reviews* @lse.ac.uk Editorial Board

Professor Ravi Ahuja University of Göttingen, Germany

Professor Barbara Andaya Watson University of Hawaii, USA

**Dr Gareth Austin** Institut de hautes études internationales et du développement, Switzerland

Professor Maxine Berg Warwick University, UK

Professor David Christian Macquarie University, Australia

Professor Felipe Fernández-Armesto University of Notre Dame, USA

**Professor Ulrike Freitag** Free University of Berlin, Germany

Professor Nelly Hanna American University in Cairo, Egypt

**Professor Marnie Hughes-Warrington** Australian National University, Australia

Professor Joseph E. Inikori University of Rochester, USA

**Professor Li Bozhong** Tsinghua University, China

Professor Victor Lieberman University of Michigan, USA

**Professor Dominic Lieven** University of Cambridge, UK

*Journal of Global History* is published by Cambridge University Press for the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Journal of Global History is indexed and abstracted in the following Thomson-Reuters product services: Arts and Humanities Citation Index<sup>®</sup>; Current Contents<sup>®</sup>/Arts & Humanities; Current Contents<sup>®</sup>/Social and Behavioral Sciences; Journal Citation Reports' Social Sciences Edition; Social Sciences Citation Index<sup>®</sup>

#### Subscriptions

Journal of Global History (ISSN 1740-0228) is published three times a year in March, July and November. Three parts form a volume. The subscription price which includes delivery by air where appropriate (but excluding VAT) of volume 7, 2012, which includes print and online access, is £171 (US \$292 in USA, Canada and Mexico) for institutions; £25 (US \$45 in USA, Canada and Mexico) for individuals, which includes print only. Students ordering direct from the publishers and certifying that the journal is for their personal use can subscribe to the print version at £18 (US \$32 in USA, Canada and Mexico). The online-only price available to institutions is £161 (US \$277). Single parts are £62 (US \$102 in USA, Canada and Mexico) plus postage. EU subscribers (outside the UK) who are not registered for VAT should add VAT at their country's rate. VAT registered members should provide their VAT registration number. Japanese prices for institutions (including ASP delivery) are available from Kinokuniya Company Ltd, P.O. Box 55, Chitose, Tokyo 156, Japan.

Orders, which must be accompanied by payment, may be sent to a bookseller, subscription agent or direct to the publisher: Cambridge University Press, The Edinburgh Building, Shaftesbury Road, Cambridge CB2 8RU; or in the USA, Canada and Mexico: Cambridge University Press, 32 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10013-2473.

#### Copying

This journal is registered with the Copyright Clearance Center, 222 Rosewood Drive, Danvers, MA 01923, USA. Organizations in the USA who are also registered with the C.C.C. may therefore copy material (beyond the limits **Professor Mary Jo Maynes** University of Minnesota, USA

**Dr Anna-Maria Misra** University of Oxford, UK

**Professor Patrick O'Brien** London School of Economics and Political Science, UK

**Professor Olivier Pétré-Grenouilleau** Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris, France

**Professor Shalini Randeria** University of Zurich, Switzerland

Professor Patricia Seed University of California, Irvine, USA

**Professor Kaoru Sugihara** Kyoto University, Japan

Professor Peer Vries University of Vienna, Austria

#### Managing Editor

Pauline Khng Journal of Global History London School of Economics and Political Science Academic Publishing Office 4th Floor, Tower 3 Houghton Street London WC2A 2AE, UK

E-mail: journal.global.history@lse.ac.uk Website: journals.cambridge.org/jgh

permitted by sections 107 and 108 of U.S. Copyright law) subject to payment to the C.C.C. of the per copy fee of \$15.00. This consent does not extend to multiple copying for promotional or commercial purposes. Code 1740-0228/12. ISI Tear Sheet Service, 3501 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104, USA, is authorized to supply single copies of separate articles for private use only. Organizations authorized by the Copyright Licensing Agency may also copy material subject to the usual conditions. For all other use, permission should be sought from Cambridge or from the American Branch of Cambridge University Press.

Journal of Global History is included in the Cambridge Journals Online journals service which can be found at http://journals.cambridge. org/jgh. For further information on other Press journals access http://cambridge.org/journals. © London School of Economics and Political Science 2012

Printed in the UK by Latimer Trend

### Contents

#### **EDITORIAL**

157 The roots of global civil society and the interwar moment Andrew Arsan, Su Lin Lewis, and Anne-Isabelle Richard

#### ARTICLES

- 166 'This age is the age of associations': committees, petitions, and the roots of interwar Middle Eastern internationalism Andrew Arsan
- 189 Between the crisis of democracy and world parliament: the development of the Inter-Parliamentary Union in the 1920s Martin Albers
- 210 The League of Nations: a retreat from international law? Stephen Wertheim
- 233 Competition and complementarity: civil society networks and the question of decentralizing the League of Nations Anne-Isabelle Richard
- Bringing Asia to the world: Indian trade unionism and the long road towards the Asiatic Labour Congress, 1919–37 *Carolien Stolte*
- 279 'Our common humanity': print, power, and the colonial press in interwar Tanganyika and French Cameroun Emma Hunter
- 302 Rotary International's 'acid test': multi-ethnic associational life in 1930s Southeast Asia Su Lin Lewis

#### REVIEWS

- 325 Edward Wang on Daniel Woolf's A global history of history
- 326 Michael Farquhar on Cemil Aydin's The politics of anti-Westernism in Asia
- 328 Uta Raina on Thomas Fischer's Die Souveränität der Schwachen
- 329 Jagjeet Lally on Peter Golden's Central Asia in world history
- 331 Suresh Naidu on David Graeber's Debt
- 332 Sossie Kasbarian on Sebouh David Aslanian's From the Indian Ocean to the Mediterranean

- 334 Emily Rosenberg on David Ekbladh's The great American mission
- 336 Walter LaFeber on Noel Maurer and Carlos Yu's The big ditch
- 337 Jennifer Liu on Andrew Morris's Colonial project, national game
- 339 Frank Biess on Stephan Feuchtwang's After the event