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2010 ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETINGS 24–26 SEPTEMBER 2010

The seventieth annual meetings of the Economic History Association will be held at the Hotel Orrington in Evanston, Illinois, 24–26 September 2010. The theme of the meetings is "Thinking Comparatively: Economic and Historical Perspectives on Places, Periods, and Institutions." The papers chosen for presentation follow:

BANKS AND THE PROBLEMS THEY CREATE

- Michael Bordo, *Rutgers University*, Angela Redish, *University of British Columbia*, and Hugh Rockoff, *Rutgers University*, "Why Canada Didn't Have a Banking Crisis in 2008?"
- Jagjit S. Chadha, *University of Kent*, and Elisa Newby, *Fitzwilliam College*, "'Midas, Transmuting All, into Paper': The Bank of England and the Banque de France during the Napoleonic Wars"
- Moritz Schularick, *Freie Universität, Berlin*, and Alan M. Taylor, *University of California, Davis*, "Credit Booms Gone Bust: Monetary Policy, Leverage Cycles, and Financial Crises, 1870–2008"

THE ART OF MEASUREMENT

- Stephen Broadberry, *University of Warwick*, Bruce Campbell, *Queen's University*, *Belfast*, Alexander Klein, *University of Warwick*, Mark Overton, *University of Exeter*, and Bas van Leeuwen, *University of Warwick*, "British Economic Growth, 1300–1850"
- Aurora Gomez Galvarriato, *CIDE, Mexico*, and Jeffrey G. Williamson, *Harvard University and University of Wisconsin*, "Early Industrialization in Latin America, Asia, and Africa, 1870–1970"
- Alvaro S. Pereira, *Simon Fraser University*, and Ana Margarida Silva, *Instituto de Ciêcias Sociais*, "How Unequal is Latin Inequality? Five Centuries of Inequality, Portugal, 1500–1910"

BANKS THAT AREN'T BANKS

- Lars Boerner, *Free University of Berlin*, and John William Hatfield, *Stanford University*, "The Economics of Debt-Clearing Mechanisms in Europe from the Thirteenth to the Eighteenth Century"
- Christopher L. Colvin, *London School of Economics*, "God and Risk: A Comparison of Early-Twentieth-Century Rural Banking in Three Regions of the Netherlands"
- Kirsten Wandschneider, *Occidental College*, "Credit Intermediation in Eighteenth-Century Prussia: The Case of Landschaften"

TECHNOLOGY

- Ralf Richter, *Hans Böckler Foundation*, and Jochen Streb, *University of Hohenheim*, "Catching Up and Falling Behind: Knowledge Spillover from American to German Machine Tool Makers"
- Ross Thomson, *University of Vermont*, "Eras of Technological Convergence: Machine Tools and Mechanization in the United States, 1820–1929"
- Karine van der Beek, *Ben-Gurion University*, "Technology-Skill Complementarity on the Eve of the Industrial Revolution: New Evidence from England, 1710–1770"

THE ORIGINS AND CONSEQUENCES OF INSTITUTIONS

- Luz Marina Arias, *University of California, San Diego*, and Desha M. Girod, *Georgetown University*, "Indigenous Origins of Colonial Institutions"
- Irineu de Carvalho Filho, *International Monetary Fund*, and Renato P. Colistete, *City University of Sao Paolo*, "Education Performance: Was It All Determined 100 Years Ago?"
- Philip Slavin, *Yale University*, "The Crisis of the Fourteenth Century Reassessed: Between Ecology and Institutions: Evidence from England, 1310–1350"

INFORMATION: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE MADE-UP

- Vincent Bignon and Marc Flandreau, *Graduate Institute, Geneva*, "Defamation, Racketeering, and the French Financial Press Before World War I"
- Jeremiah Dittmar, *American University*, "Information Technology and Economic Change: The Impact of the Printing Press"
- Peter Koudijs, *Pompeu Fabra*, "The Boats That Did Not Sail: Evidence on the Sources of Asset Price Volatility from an Eighteenth-Century Natural Experiment"

THE ECONOMIC HISTORY OF POLICY INTERVENTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES

- Daniel Aaronson and Bhashkar Mazumder, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, "The Impact of Rosenwald Schools on Black Student Achievement"
- Rob Gillezeau, *University of Michigan*, "Did the War on Poverty Cause Race Riots?" Gray Kimbrough, *University of North Carolina at Greensboro*, "The Educational Legacy of the Greatest Generation: Veteran Status and Children's Educational Attainment"

THE ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF IDENTITY

- Ying Bai and James Kai-sing Kung, *Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*, "Religion or Knowledge Diffusion: A Protestant Economic History of China, 1840–1920"
- Henning Hillmann and Brandy L. Aven, *Stanford University*, "Fragmented Networks and Entrepreneurship in Late Imperial Russia"
- Jacob Metzer, *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*, "Self-Employment in Jewish Communities: A Comparative Examination Across Time and Places"

THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF ECONOMIC LIFE

- Ann M. Carlos and Jennifer Lamping, *University of Colorado at Boulder*, "Bankruptcy and the Rights of Debtors in Eighteenth-Century England"
- Carola Frydman, *MIT Sloan School*, and Eric Hilt, *Wellesley College*, "Predators or Watchdogs? Bankers on Corporate Boards in the Era of Finance Capitalism"
- Pierre-Cyrille Hautcoeur, *EHESS-PSE*, Amir Rezaee, *Université d'Orléans-EDHEC*, and Angelo Riva, *EGS-IDHE Paris Ouest*, "How to Regulate a Financial Market? The Impact of the 1893–1898 Regulatory Reforms on the Paris Bourse"

NATURAL RESOURCES

- Alan Dye, *Barnard College, Columbia University*, and Sumner J. La Croix, *University of Hawaii-Manoa*, "The Political Economy of Land Privatization in Argentina and Australia, 1810–1856"
- Richard Hornbeck, *Harvard University*, and Pinar Keskin, *Harvard Kennedy School*, "Long-Run Adjustment to Water Availability: Evidence from the Ogallala Aquifer"
- Ian Keay, *Queen's University*, "The Impact of Commodity Price Volatility on Resource Intensive Economies"

WHEN PEOPLE MOVE

- Johan Fourie, Stellenbosch University and Utrecht University, and Dieter von Fintel, Stellenbosch University, "Settler Skills and Colonial Development"
- Erik Hornung, *Ifo Institute for Economic Research*, "Immigration and the Diffusion of Technology: The Huguenot Diaspora in Prussia"
- Trevon D. Logan, *Ohio State University*, and Paul W. Rhode, *University of Michigan*, "Moveable Feasts: A New Approach to Endogenizing Tastes"

BANKING AND FINANCE: EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVES

- Frans Buelens, *University of Antwerp*, and Marc Deloof, *Universitė Catholique de Louvain*, "Are Stocks Always Good in the Long Run? Evidence from Belgium, 1838–2008"
- Carsten Burhop and David Chambers, *University of Cambridge*, "The Value of Regulation and Reputation: Going Public in London and Berlin, 1900–1913
- Richard S. Grossman and Masami Imai, *Wesleyan University*, "Contingent Capital and Disorderly Deleveraging: Evidence from British Banking Experience in Prewar Era"

RAISING AND SPENDING THE PUBLIC'S MONEY

- Latika Chaudary, *Scripps College*, Aldo Musacchio, *Harvard Business School*, Steven Nafziger, *Williams College*, and Se Yan, *Peking University*, "Big BRICs, Weak Foundations: The Beginning of Public Elementary Education in Brazil, Russia, India, and China, 1880–1920"
- Mark Dincecco, *IMT Lucca Institute for Advanced Studies*, and Giovanni Federico, *European University Institute and University of Pisa*, "Regime Threats, Fiscal Capacity, and Development: Evidence from Italian Unification"
- Oscar Gelderblom and Joost Jonker, *Utrecht University*, "One System, Seventeen Outcomes? Exploring Public Finance Policies and Outcomes in the Low Countries, [1514]–1795"

HEALTH AND HUMAN CAPITAL

- Brian Bettenhausen, Joseph Burton, Louis Cain, and Robert Fogel, *University of Chicago*, "Was What Ail'd Ya' What Kill'd Ya'?"
- Christina Gathmann and Steffen Reinhold, *University of Mannheim*, "Do Electoral Systems Affect Your Health? Evidence from the Epidemiological Transition"
- Ahmed Rahman, *United States Naval Academy*, "The Value of Human Capital During the Second Industrial Revolution: Evidence from the U.S. Navy"

WHEN BONDS GO BAD

Stéphanie Collet, *Université de Bruxelles*, "How Big is the Financial Penalty for Dictators? The Case of the Cuban Bonds"

Chun-Yu Ho, *Georgia Institute of Technology*, and Dan Li, *Fudan University*, "Marching in the Storms: Chinese Bond Market from 1918 to 1942"

Leonardo Weller, *London School of Economics*, "What is Worst, Trade Crisis or Revolution? Foreign Creditors, Sovereign Debt, and Bailouts in Brazil and Mexico, 1912–1914"

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE COLUMBUS, OHIO 14–16 APRIL 2011 CALL FOR ACADEMIC PAPERS

Proposals are now being accepted for the thirty-sixth annual conference of the Economic and Business Historical Society (EBHS), to be held at the Hyatt on Capitol Square in Columbus, Ohio. *Proposals for presentations on any aspect of economic or business history are welcome*.

The EBHS conference offers participants an opportunity for intellectual interchange within a collegial interdisciplinary group of scholars from around the world (a typical mix of participants includes around half from economics departments and half from history/economic history departments). The society prides itself on being welcoming toward new members and offers reduced conference fees for graduate students and early career researchers (four years or less since doctorate earned).

Papers presented at the conference may be submitted for consideration by the EBHS's peer-reviewed journal, *Essays in Economic and Business History*, edited by Janice Traflet, Bucknell University.

The society seeks proposals for individual papers and/or for panel sessions. Proposals should include an abstract of no more than 500 words, a brief curriculum vita, postal and email addresses, and telephone and fax numbers. Panel proposals should also suggest a title and a panel chair. Submissions are welcome from graduate students and non-academic affiliates.

Proposals may be submitted via email to ebhs2011@gmail.com or via post to Jason E. Taylor, 2011 EBHS President, 321 Sloan Hall, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Michigan 48849, USA. The deadline for submission of proposals is January 1, 2011.