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2008 ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETINGS
12–14 SEPTEMBER 2008

The sixty-eighth annual meetings of the Economic History Association will be held at the Omni New Haven Hotel at Yale in New Haven, Connecticut, 12–14 September 2008. The theme of the meetings is “The Engines of Growth: Innovation, Creative Destruction, and Human Capital Accumulation.” The papers chosen for presentation follow:

AFRICA AND COLONIALISM

Warren Whatley, *University of Michigan*, “Guns for Slaves: The Eighteenth-Century British Slave Trade”

Jutta Bolt, *University of Groningen*, and Dirk Bezemer, *University of Groningen*, “Understanding Long-Run African Growth: Colonial Institutions or Colonial Education? Evidence from a New Data Set”

Muriel Petit-Konczyk, *Lille 2 Université*, and Antoine Parent, *Université de Nancy 2*, “Heart of Darkness, 1919–1939: Did French Colonial Investment Pay?”

AGRICULTURE

Lee Alston, *University of Colorado*, “[Up and] Down on the Farm: Causes and Consequences of Tenure Mobility”

James Simpson, *Universidad Carlos III de Madrid*, “Response to Technological Change: The International Wine Industry, 1850–1939”

Julian Alston, *University of California, Davis*, and Philip Pardey, *University of Minnesota*, “Technology Creation and Diffusion and its Economic Consequences in U.S. Agriculture in the Twentieth Century”

ASIA

Gary Hamilton, *University of Washington*, and Cheng-shu Kao, *Tunghai University*, “Taiwan’s Industrialization: The Rise of a Demand-Responsive Economy”

Kaoru Sugihara, *Osaka University*, “Resources and the Dependence on Foreign Trade in Japanese Economic Development”

Wen-Kai Lin, *University of California, Irvine*, “The Impact of Japanese Colonial Rule on Land Property Rights: The Transformation of Land Regimes in Taiwan from Qing Period to Japanese Colonial Period”

ASIA

Wang Yuru, *Nankai University*, “Economic Growth and the Medium-Long Cycles in Modern China”

Zhang Li, *Nankai University*, “Changes in the Wuxi Rural Economy and the Possibility of Successful Transformation into a Modern Economy”

Debin Ma, *London School of Economics*, "Re-Interpreting the Traditional Chinese State in Institutional Perspective"

CORPORATE

Robert Wright, *New York University*, "Corporate Entrepreneurship and Economic Growth in America, 1790–1860"

Eric Hilt, *Wellesley College*, "Incorporating Industry: Nineteenth-Century General Incorporation Acts for Manufacturing Companies"

Daniel Holt, *University of Virginia*, "Controlling Capital, Creating Investors: State Public Service Commission Regulation of Corporate Securities in Early-Twentieth-Century United States"

DEMOGRAPHY

Joseph Ferrie, *Northwestern University*, and Karen Rolf, *University of Nebraska, Omaha*, "The May-December Relationship Since 1850: Age Homogamy in the United States"

Stanley Engerman, *University of Rochester*, and Enriqueta Camps, *Universitat Pompeu Fabra*, "What do Women do: Is Fertility Decline Universal?"

John Brown, *Clark University*, "Household Choice of Technique in the Fog of Uncertainty: Strategies of Fertility Control and Patterns of Choice during the German Fertility Transition, 1895–1915"

DEMOGRAPHY

Gregory Clark, *University of California, Davis*, and Neil Cummins, *London School of Economics*, "Malthus to Modernity: Income, Fertility, and Economic Growth in England, 1500–1914"

Simone Wegge, *City University of New York*, "Did Migrant Origins Matter? Migrants vs. Non-Migrants in Nineteenth-Century Germany"

Rui Esteves, *University of Oxford*, and David Khoudour-Castéras, *Universidad Externado de Colombia*, "A Fantastic Rain of Gold: European Migrants' Remittances and Balance of Payments Adjustment during the Gold Standard Period"

EDUCATION

Noam Yuchtman, *Harvard University*, and Davide Cantoni, *Harvard University*, "Legal Institutions, Medieval Universities, and the Commercial Revolution"

Sun Go, *University of California, Davis*, "Free Schools in America, 1850–1870: Who Voted for Them, Who Got Them, and Who Paid"

Linda Carter, *Vanderbilt University*, "A Hard Day's Night: Evening Schools and Child Labor in the United States, 1870–1910"

HEALTH

Timothy Hatton, *Australian National University*, and Richard Martin, *University of Bristol*, "Family Size and the Heights of Children in Britain, 1900–1940"

Jaret Treber, *Kenyon College*, and Melissa Thomasson, *Miami University*, "The Evolution of Modern Medical Education in the United States: Institutional Changes and the Consolidation of Medical Schools"

John Murray, *University of Toledo*, "Identifying, Separating, and Managing Asymmetric Information in Early-Twentieth-Century Health Insurance"

HUMAN CAPITAL

- Patrick Wallis, *London School of Economics*, "The Practice of Apprenticeship in Early Modern England"
- David Mitch, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*, "The Engineer as a Catalyst of Innovation and Creative Destruction: Industry Case Studies from Twentieth-Century Britain"
- Gloria Main, *University of Colorado*, "From Farm to Factory to School: Child Labor in Southern New England"

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Gerben Bakker, *London School of Economics*, "The Emergence of Rights-Based Multinationals: Sunk Costs, Intellectual Property Rights, and the Political Economy of Globalization, 1870–2000"
- Carsten Burhop, *Max Planck Institute*, "The Market for Patents in Imperial Germany"
- William Phillips, *University of Georgia*, "The Democratization of Invention in the American South: Antebellum and Postbellum Technology Markets in the United States"

RURAL ORGANIZATION

- Alan Dye, *Barnard College*, "Creative Destruction and Entrepreneurial Obstruction: Cuban Sugar, 1898–1939"
- Lorena Walsh, *Colonial Williamsburg*, "Agricultural Innovation, Environmental Destruction, and the Exploitation of Accumulated Human Capital: Chesapeake Planters, 1790–1820"
- Steven Nafziger, *Williams College*, "Democracy in Tsarist Russia? The Case of the Zemstvo"

TECHNOLOGY

- Alexander Field, *Santa Clara University*, "Does Economic History Need GPTs?"
- Shane Greenstein, *Northwestern University*, Timothy Bresnahan, *Stanford University*, and Rebecca Henderson, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, "Schumpeterian Competition within Computing Markets and Organizational Diseconomies of Scope"
- James Bessen, *Boston University*, "Economic Growth from the Loom Up"

TRADE AND TRADE BARRIERS

- Kevin O'Rourke, *Trinity College, Dublin*, and Sibylle Lehmann, *Trinity College, Dublin*, "The Structure of Protection and Growth in the Late Nineteenth Century"
- Dan Bogart, *University of California, Irvine*, "Developmental States? Explaining Cross-Country Differences in Private vs. State Ownership of New Railroad Miles, 1860–1912"
- Florian Ploeckl, *Yale University*, "Borders, Market Size, and Urban Growth, The Case of Saxon Towns and the Zollverein During the Nineteenth Century"

URBAN

- Gavin Wright, *Stanford University*, "Urban Entrepreneurship in the Post-Civil Rights South"

Margaret Levenstein, *University of Michigan*, and Naomi Lamoreaux, *University of California, Los Angeles*, "The Decline of an Innovative Region: Cleveland in the Twentieth Century"

Mark Geiger, *University of Minnesota*, "A Cohort of Mid-Nineteenth-Century Entrepreneurs: St. Louis Bank Promoters, 1857–1861"

ECONOMIC HISTORY SOCIETY ANNUAL CONFERENCE
3–5 APRIL 2009, UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
CALL FOR ACADEMIC PAPERS

The 2009 annual conference of the Economic History Society will be hosted by the University of Warwick from 3 to 5 April.

The conference program 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. Preference may be given to scholars who did not present a paper at the previous year's conference. Those currently studying for, or who have recently received, 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 (three speakers, 1.5 hours duration). The latter should include proposals and synopses for each paper in the session, although 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.

For each proposed paper, please send (by e-mail or via the website) a brief c.v. and a short abstract (including name, postal and e-mail addresses) of 400–500 words to: Maureen Galbraith; Economic History Society; Dept. of Economic & Social History; University of Glasgow; Lilybank House, Bute Gardens; Glasgow G12 8RT; Scotland, UK. E-mail: ehsocsec@arts.gla.ac.uk. Website: www.ehs.org.uk

For full consideration, proposals must be received by 19 September 2008. Notices of acceptance will be sent to individual paper givers by 17 November 2008.

Should your paper be accepted, you will be asked to provide the following: A brief nontechnical summary of your paper for the "Media Briefings" section of the society's website (by 5 January 2009); an abstract of the paper for inclusion in the conference booklet and website (by 5 January 2009); and an electronic copy of your full paper, or a web address where the paper is available for consultation (by 2 March 2009).

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 (ehsocsec@arts.gla.ac.uk). It is important that a completed application form is included with the paper proposal and the brief c.v. which are submitted to the conference committee for the September deadline. Only in exceptional circumstances will later applications for support be considered.