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9–11 SEPTEMBER 2011

The seventy-first annual meetings of the Economic History Association will be held at the Seaport Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts, 9–11 September 2011. The theme of the meetings is “Crises and Turning Points.” The papers chosen for presentation follow:

BOOMS AND BUSTS IN THE LONG RUN

Farley Grubb, *University of Delaware*, “The Collapse of the Continental Dollar: The Turning Point and Its Causes: An Alternative History of Financing the American Revolution, 1775–1781”

Martin Stürmer, *University of Bonn*, “150 Years of Booms and Busts: What Drives Mineral Commodity Prices?”

Nathan Sussman and Yishay Yafeh, *Hebrew University and CEPR*, “Globalization and the Current Financial Crisis in Historical Perspective”

BACK TO THE LAND

He Yang, *George Mason University*, “Effects of Agricultural Technology on Contract Choice: Evidence from Confucius’s Lineage in Late Qing China”

Mats Olsson, Martin Dribe, and Patrick Svensson, *Lund University*, “The Demographic Response to Output Crisis in Rural Society: Grain Production, Mortality, and Fertility in Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century Sweden”

Max-Stephan Schulze and Oliver Volckart, *London School of Economics*, “The Long-Term Impact of the Thirty Years War: What Grain Price Data Reveal”

BANKING, FINANCE, AND TRADE IN EARLY MODERN AND MODERN FRANCE

Guillaume Bazot, *Paris School of Economics*, “Looking on English and German Banking in French Mirror, Banking, and Development in France (1880–1913)”

Rui Esteves, *University of Oxford*, “The Belle Epoque of International Finance: The French Portfolio, 1880–1913”

Veronica Santarosa, *Yale University*, “Financing Long-Distance Trade Without Banks: The Joint Liability Rule and Bills of Exchange in Eighteenth-Century France”

INSTITUTIONS IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD

Lee Alston, *University of Colorado and NBER*, Marcus Melo, *University of Pernambuco*, Bernardo Mueller, *University of Brasilia*, and Carlos Pereira, *Michigan State University*, “Understanding Development in the Modern World: Power, Beliefs, and Institutions, with an Application to Brazil, 1960–2010”

Marlous van Waijenburg, *Northwestern University*, and Ewout Frankema, *Utrecht University*, “Structural Impediments to African Growth? Countervailing Evidence from Real Wages in British Africa, 1880–1960”

Martine Mariotti, *Australian National University*, “Impact of African Independence on the Welfare of South African Blacks”

## INDUSTRIALIZATION AND INNOVATION

- John Tang, *Australian National University*, "Fukoku kyohei: Evaluating the Impact of Public Investment in Meiji Japan, 1868–1912"
- Liam Brunt and Erik Meidell, *Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration*, "How Fast and How Broad was British Industrialization? Evidence from a Synthetic Occupational Census for 1801"
- W. Walker Hanlon, *Columbia University*, "How Do Temporary Shocks Affect Innovation? Evidence from Nineteenth-Century Britain"

## MONEY, TRADE, AND INNOVATION DURING THE INTERWAR PERIOD

- Anna Spadavecchia, *University of Reading*, and John Cantwell, *Rutgers University*, "Innovation and British Regions in the Interwar Period"
- Christopher M. Meissner, *University of California, Davis and NBER*, and Gabriel Mathy, *University of California, Davis*, "Trade, Exchange Rate Regimes, and Output Co-Movement: Evidence from the Great Depression"
- Douglas Irwin, *Dartmouth College and NBER*, "Did France Cause the Great Depression?"

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE IN ECONOMIC HISTORY

- Gregory Niemesh, *Vanderbilt University*, "Ironing Out Deficiencies: Evidence from the United States on the Economic Effects of Iron Deficiency"
- Jonathan Fox and Mikko Myrskylä, *Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research*, "Public Health, Poverty Relief, and Declining Fertility in American Cities: 1923 to 1932"
- Karen Clay and Joel Tarr, *Carnegie Mellon University*, and Werner Troesken, *University of Pittsburgh*, "Coal, Smoke, and Death"

## OPIATE OF THE MASSES AND CAPITAL ACCUMULATION: RELIGION FROM THE MIDDLE AGES TO NINETEENTH-CENTURY EGYPT

- Anne McCants, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*, and Paul Hohenberg, *Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*, "Financing Cathedral Construction: An Investment in Social Overhead Capital?"
- Jared Rubin, *California State University, Fullerton*, "Printing and Protestants: Reforming the Economics of the Reformation"
- Mohamed Saleh, *University of Southern California*, "Laborers, Scribes, and Financiers: Modernization and Interreligious Human Capital Differentials in Mid-Nineteenth-Century Egypt"

## NETWORKS AND MARKETS: INTEGRATION AND DISINTEGRATION

- Alexander J. Field, *Santa Clara University*, "Railroads and Productivity Growth During the Depression"
- John A. James, *University of Virginia*, David F. Weiman, *Barnard College*, and James McAndrews, *Federal Reserve Bank of New York*, "Panics and the Disruption of Private Payments Networks: The United States in 1893 and 1907"
- Matthias Morys, *University of York*, and Martin Ivanov, *Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*, "Business Cycles in South-East Europe, 1870–2000: A Dynamic Factor Model"

## WAGES, KIDS, AND CAREERS

Andrew Seltzer, *Royal Holloway, University of London*, "The Impact of Female Employment on Male Wages and Careers: Evidence from the English Banking Industry, 1890–1914"

Gregory Clark, *University of California, Davis*, and Neil Cummins, *CUNY-Queens College*, "The Beckerian Family and the English Demographic Revolution of 1800"

Tomas Cvrcek, *Clemson University*, "Wages, Prices, and Living Standards in the Habsburg Empire, 1830–1914"

## YOU CALL THAT (TECHNOLOGICAL) PROGRESS?

Claudia Rei, *Vanderbilt University*, "Turning Points in Leadership: Shipping Technology in the Portuguese and Dutch Merchant Empires"

James Bessen, *Boston University School of Law*, "Was Mechanization De-Skilling? The Origins of Task-Biased Technical Change"

Peter Scott, *University of Reading*, "The Origins of the Anglo-American 'Productivity Gap' in Electronics: The British and American Interwar Radio Equipment Industries"

## BANKING DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION

Mark Carlson and Jonathan Rose, *Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve*, "Credit Availability and the Collapse of the Banking Sector in the 1930s"

Mrdjan Mladjan, *Universitat Pompeu Fabra*, "Accelerating into the Abyss: Financial Dependence and the Great Depression"

Patrick Van Horn, *New College of Florida*, and Gary Richardson, *University of California, Irvine and NBER*, "When the Music Stopped: Transatlantic Contagion During the Financial Crisis of 1931"

## FROM HERE TO THERE AND FROM THERE TO HERE: MIGRATION

Leah Boustan, *University of California, Los Angeles and NBER*, Ran Abramitzky, *Stanford University*, and Katherine Eriksson, *University of California, Los Angeles*, "A Nation of Immigrants: Assimilation and Economic Outcomes in the Age of Mass Migration"

Marianne Wanamaker, *University of Tennessee*, and William Collins, *Vanderbilt University*, "The Great Migration of African Americans: New Insights from Linked Census Data"

Martina Viarengo, *London School of Economics and Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University*, Oriana Bandiera, *London School of Economics*, and Imran Rasul, *University College London*, "The Making of Modern America: Accounting for Migratory Inflows and Outflows During the Age of Mass Migration"

## FINANCIAL MARKETS IN PEACE, WAR, AND CIVIL UNREST

Caroline Fohlin, *Johns Hopkins University*, "Transforming the NYSE: Market Microstructure and Liquidity During World War I"

Hans-Joachim Voth, *Pompeu Fabra University, ICREA, and CREi*, and Jacopo Ponticelli, *Pompeu Fabra University*, "Austerity and Anarchy: A Century of Fiscal Consolidation and Social Unrest"

Stefan Houtp and Stefano Battilossi, *Universidad Carlos III de Madrid*, “Predicting Institutional Collapse? Financial Markets and Political Violence at the Onset of the Spanish Civil War”

CAN YOU SPARE A DOLLAR/GUILDER/QUID UNTIL PAYDAY? SMALL-SCALE LENDING FROM THE SEVENTEENTH TO TWENTIETH CENTURIES

Christiaan van Bochove, *Utrecht University*, and Ton van Velzen, *Dutch National Archives*, “Loans for Salaried Employees: The Case of the Dutch East India Company, 1602–1795”

Eoin McLaughlin, *University of Edinburgh*, “Regulation and Crises in Microfinance: Irish Loan Fund Societies, 1830–1914”

Gunnar Trumbull, *Harvard Business School*, “Credit as Welfare: Consumer Lending in Postwar France and America”

PLENARY SESSION

Albert Fishlow, *Columbia University*, “Lessons for the Future: International Capital Markets in Historical Perspective”