

Second CEPR Economic History Symposium

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Draft Programme

Thursday 25 September

- 08.30** **Welcome – Peter Mooslechner**, Executive Director, OeNB
- 08.45-09.30 *Pulling up the Tarnished Anchor: The End of Silver as a Global Unit of Account*
Ricardo Fernholz (Claremont McKenna College), **Kris Mitchener** (Warwick University and CEPR) and Marc Weidenmier (Claremont McKenna College)
- 09.30-10.15 *Liquidity Management and Central Bank Strength: Bank of England Operations Reloaded, 1889-1910*
Stefano Ugolini (Institut d'Études Politiques de Toulouse)
- 10.15-10.30** **Coffee Break**
- 10.30-11.15 *Archomania. French Venality on the Eve of the Revolution*
Rui Esteves (Oxford University and CEPR)
- 11.15-12.00 *Direct measures of competition and Italian industry performance in the long run, 1900-1971*
Federico Barbiellini Amidei (Banca d'Italia) and Matteo Gomellini (Banca d'Italia)
- 12.00-13.00** **Lunch**
- 13.00-13.45 *The Value of Economic Expertise: Keynes' Currency Speculation and Economic Views in the 1920s and 1930s*
Olivier Accominotti (LSE and CEPR) and David Chambers (Cambridge University)
- 13.45-14.30 *Risk Aversion during World War II: Evidence from Belgian Lottery Bond Prices*
Matthieu Gilson (ULB), **Kim Oosterlinck** (ULB) and Andrey Ukhov (Cornell University)
- 14.30-14.45** **Coffee Break**

- 14.45-15.45 *Keynote Lecture: Euro Bonds and the Politics of Market Liquidity: Lessons from the Colonial Era*
Marc Flandreau (The Graduate Institute and CEPR)
- 15.45-16.00 **Coffee Break**
- 16.00-16.45 *The Link between Fundamentals and Proximate Factors in Development*
Wolfgang Keller (University of Colorado and CEPR) and **Carol Shiue** (University of Colorado and CEPR)
- 16.45-17.30 *Urbanization in Europe: Regional Variations, 1700-1900*
Davide Cantoni (Universität München and CEPR)
- 18.00-19.30 **Museum Tour: The Metropolis Experiment**
- 20.00 **Conference Dinner**

Friday 26 September

- 09.00-09.45 *The Role of Human Capital and Innovation in Prussian Economic Development*
Francesco Cinnirella (Ifo Institute for Economic Research and CEPR) and Jochen Streb (Universität Mannheim)
- 09.45-10.30 *'Keep Them Ignorant.' Did Inequality in Land Distribution Delay Regional Numeracy Development?*
Jörg Baten (University of Tübingen and CEPR) and Ralph Hippe (LSE)
- 10.30-11.15 *Economic Freedom in the Long Run: Evidence from OECD Countries (1850-2007)*
Leandro Prados de la Escosura (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and CEPR)
- 11.15-11.30 **Coffee Break**
- 11.30-12.45 *OeNB History Project presentations:*
Time Series for 200 Years of Central Banking in Austria
Clemens Jobst (OeNB and CEPR)
On Writing a Short History of the OeNB
Hans Kernbauer (Vienna University of Economics)
- 12.45-13.45 **Lunch**
- 13.45-14.30 *Egyptian and Syrian Commodity Markets after the Dissolution of the Ottoman Empire: a Bayesian VECM analysis*
Laura Panza (University of Melbourne) and Tomasz Wozniak (University of Melbourne)

- 14.30-15.15 *Anglo-Asian market integration in the early modern period (1600s-1800s): measuring price convergence for the EIC importables*
Pilar Nogues-Marco (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and CEPR)
- 15.15-16.00 *China, Europe and the Great Divergence: A Study in Historical National Accounting, 980-1850*
Stephen Broadberry (LSE and CEPR), Hanhui Guan (Peking University) and David Daokui Li (Tsinghua University)
- 16.00-16.15 Coffee Break**
- 16.15-17.00 *Pre-Reformation Roots of the Protestant Ethic*
Thomas Barnebeck Andersen (University of Southern Denmark), Jeanet Bentzen (University of Copenhagen), **Carl-Johan Dalgaard** (University of Copenhagen and CEPR) and Paul Sharp (University of Southern Denmark)
- 17.00-17.45 *Human Capital and the Industrial Revolution: The market for Mechanics in Eighteenth century England*
Karine van der Beek (Ben-Gurion University), Nadav Ben-Zeev (Ben-Gurion University) and Joel Mokyr (Northwestern University)
- 17.45-18.30 *A Colonial Legacy of Gender Inequality: Evidence from Christian Kampala, 1895-2011*
Felix Meier zu Selhausen (Utrecht University) and **Jacob Weisdorf** (University of Southern Denmark, Utrecht University and CEPR)

End of Conference

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