Eleventh CEPR Economic History Symposium

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Thursday 13 June

8.45-9.00  Welcome and Introduction

SESSION 1: MACHINE LEARNING IN HISTORY

9.00-9.45  Central Bank Independence: Views from History and Machine Learning
Nergiz Dincer* (TED University), Barry Eichengreen (University of California Berkeley and CEPR), Joan Martinez (University of California Berkeley)

9.45-10.30  Mining Chinese Historical Sources At Scale: A Machine Learning-Approach to Qing State Capacity
Wolfgang Keller* (University of Colorado and CEPR), Carol Shiue (University of Colorado and CEPR) and Sen Yan (University of Colorado)

10.30-11.00  Tea and Coffee

SESSION 2: LONG TERM GROWTH

11.00-11.45  European Business Cycles and Economic Growth, 1300-2000
Stephen Broadberry* (University of Oxford and CEPR) and Jason Lennard (LSE and CEPR)

11.45-12.30  Books Go Public: The Consequences of Monastic Libraries Expropriation on Innovation
Paolo Buonanno (University of Bergamo), Francesco Cinnirella* (University of Bergamo and CEPR), Elona Harka (University of Bergamo) and Marcello Puca (University of Bergamo)

12.30-13.30  Lunch
SESSION 3: MACROECONOMICS IN THE INTERWAR

13.30-14.15  Lost Illusions: Fiscal Roots of Inflation in Interwar France
Jean Barthelemy (Banque de France), Vincent Bignon* (Banque de France and CEPR) and Antoine Ding (LSE)

14.15-15.00  How do Financial Crises Redistribute Risk?
Kris Mitchener* (Santa Clara University and CEPR) and Angela Vossmeier (Claremont McKenna College)

15.00-15.45  Devaluation, Exports, and Recovery from the Great Depression
Meredith Paker* (Grinnell College) and Jason Lennard (LSE and CEPR)

15.45-16.15  Tea and Coffee

SESSION 4: FINANCIAL MARKETS

16.15-17.00  The Relevance of Local Stock Exchanges: Insights from 120 Years of Going Public in Germany
Sibylle Lehmann-Hasemeyer* (University Of Hohenheim and CEPR), Nadja Dwenger (University Of Hohenheim and CEPR) and Olaf Ehrhardt (Hochschule Stralsund)

17.00-17.45  The Power of Connections: Colonialism, Nationalism, and Corporate Performance in Egypt, 1890–1950
Mohamed Saleh* (LSE and CEPR) and Cihan Artunç (Middlebury College)

19.00  Dinner

Friday 14 June

SESSION 5: HISTORICAL COERCION

9.00-9.45  Bureaucracy as a tool for Politicians: Evidence from Germany
Leander Heldring (Northwestern University and CEPR)

9.45-10.30  Coercive Assimilation Policy and Ethnic Identification Across Generations
Christian Maruthiah (CEMFI)

10.30-11.00  Tea and Coffee

SESSION 6: TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY

11.00-11.45  Marshall at the times of Marshall
Filippo Boeri* (LSE), Olmo Silva (LSE) and Piero Montebruno (ESSEC)

11.45-12.30  Trade Disruptions and America’s Early Industrialization
Joseph Davis (The Varguard Group) and Douglas Irwin* (Dartmouth College)

12.30-13.30  Lunch
SESSION 7: MOBILITY

13.30-14.15  Reversing Fortunes of German Regions, 1926–2019: Boon and Bane of Early Industrialization?
Paul Berbée (ZEW Mannheim), Sebastian Braun (University of Bayreuth) and Richard Franke* (Trinity College Dublin and CEPH)

14.15-15.00  Taxing Journey: Tax Adoptions and Interstate Migration in the Early 20th Century
Stefan Smutny (University of Vienna) and Kirsten Wandschneider* (University of Vienna and CEPR)

15.00-15.45  Grim Up North? Regional Intergenerational Mobility across England, 1881-1911
Ziming Zhu (LSE)

15.45-16.15  Tea and Coffee

SESSION 8: PUBLIC POLICY ABOUT SEX

16.15-17.00  The Effects of Regulating the Sex Trade in a Laissez-Faire Environment: Evidence from Britain’s Contagious Disease Acts
Grant Goehring (Boston University) and Walker Hanlon* (Northwestern University and CEPR)

17.00-17.45  Male Sterilization and Persistence of Violence: Evidence from Emergency in India
Aditi Singh (University of British Columbia) and Sarah Vincent* (Aix-Marseille University)

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