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LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

4-6 September 2014

The Group

The British International History Group is organised under the auspices of the British International Studies Association (BISA). The Association acts as a professional body for teachers, researchers and practitioners interested in the area of International Studies, including International History. The Annual Conference of the British International History Group brings together International Historians from a variety of backgrounds and offers them the opportunity to exchange views.

The Conference

The main work of the conference takes place in panels with five sessions on Thursday evening, Friday and Saturday morning. There will also be two keynote lectures on the first and second evenings, a round table on Thursday and a plenary session on Friday afternoon. The Annual General Meeting will be held during the conference.

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Thursday 4 September – Round Table: 15.00-16.30

'The State of the Discipline of International History in Britain: A panel in Memory of Professor Saki Dockrill': Effie Pedaliu [convenor], Christopher Baxter, Antony Best, Michael Dockrill, Keith Hamilton, Michael Kandiah, Saul Kelly, Kate Utting, John Young.

First Panel Session – Thursday 4 September - 17.00-18.30

Panel A

Andrew Cobbing, University of Nottingham, 'Satow's *Guide to Diplomatic Practice*: Japan and the Frederick Marshall Connection'.

Takahiro Yamamoto, London School of Economics, 'Governing a Borderland: the Russians and the Japanese in Sakhalin, 1867-1873'.

Matthew Glencross, King's College London, 'In his Father's Shadow: Revisiting George V's Contributions to Diplomacy'.

Panel B

Matthew Brand, University of East Anglia, 'The Duke of Bordeaux's visit to Britain and the Entente Cordiale, 1843'.

Rogelia Pastor-Castro, University of Strathclyde, 'Benevolent support from the outside: Anglo-French relations and the Paris Embassy, 1948-1954'.

Julien Brault, Graduate Institute Geneva, 'Before your Fountains: Oil Protectionism and French Political Economy, 1920-1970s'.

Panel C

Elisabetta Tollardo, University of Oxford, 'Nationalism at the League of Nations: the Italian case'.

Saho Matsumoto-Best, Nagoya City University, 'Giulio Andreotti, Italy and the Cold War'.

David Schriffl, Austrian Academy of Sciences, 'Cooperative neighbours or impassable border? Austrian-Slovak relations from 1945 to 1968'.

Panel D

Nigel Ashton, London School of Economics, 'Searching for a just and lasting peace: Anglo-American diplomacy and the road to the UN Security Resolution 242'.

Benjamin Martill, University of Oxford, 'Politics of Atlanticism: Rethinking Transatlantic relations during the Cold War'.

Niklas Roszbach, Swedish Defence Research Agency, 'The British and American Empire at a time of crisis- a useful comparison [since 1945]'.

Keynote Lecture – Thursday 4 September – 18.45-20.00

Professor Arne Westaad, London School of Economics, 'Worlds Apart: The Cold War in the Twentieth Century'.

Second Panel Session – Friday 5 September – 9.15-10.45

Panel A

Richard Langhorne, University of Buckingham, 'Clearing the Decks: Slimming diplomatic procedures and the origins of the Concert of Europe'.

Jan Lemnitzer, University of Oxford, 'Creating and enforcing universal international law: A Nineteenth Century Revolution'.

Quentin Bruneau, University of Oxford, 'The development of the Global Economy and Ranking Sovereigns: Banks, Statistics and Credit Ratings in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries'.

Panel B

Maartje Abbenhuis, University of Auckland, 'An Error in World History: Revisiting the Hague Peace Conferences of 1899-1907'.

Dhara Anjaria, Independent Researcher, 'An independent and not always friendly power: British colonial governments and their relations with other colonies in the late nineteenth century'.

Andres Sanchez-Padilla, University Complutense Madrid, 'Procrastination defeats Power: US-Spanish Trade Negotiations, 1877-1895'.

Panel C

David Kaufman, University of Edinburgh, 'Sir Eyre Crowe and the German-Polish Borderlands, 1919'.

David Varey, Royal Military College of Canada, 'The Foreign Office, the World Disarmament Conference and the question of tanks, 1932-1934'.

Jonathan Murphy, University College Cork, 'Changing enemies: Anglo-Soviet insistence upon unconditional surrender and the failure of Romanian peace feelers in 1944'.

Panel D

Rakesh Ankit, University of Southampton, 'In the twilight of empire: Britain and India at the United Nations, 1945-1947'.

Dionysios Chourchoulis, University of the Peloponnese, 'Cold War tension, regional pressures, intra-allied disputes and the abortive efforts to establish a Mediterranean defence pact, 1946-1950'.

Evanthis Hatzivassiliou, University of Athens, 'Probes in the third dimension: Establishing the NATO Committee on the Challenges of Modern Society, 1969-1970'.

Panel E

Jordan Becker, United States Military Academy Westpoint, 'The Continent of the Grand Large? The effect of strategic culture on burden sharing and the future of the Atlantic Alliance'.

Ian Horwood, York St John University, Niall MacKay, University of York and Christopher Price, York St John University, 'Concentration and Asymmetry in Air Power: From the Battle of Britain to the First Gulf War'.

Dimitrios Bourantonis and Spyros Blavoukos, Athens University of Economics and Business, 'From Primary to Shared Responsibility: Their interplay throughout the life of the United Nations'.

Third Panel Session - Friday 5 September - 11.15-12.45

Panel A

Chong XU, L'Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris, 'The French Concession of Shanghai at the moment of the Boxer Rebellion, 1900-1903'.

Seung-young Kim, University of Sheffield, 'The Franco-Japanese Agreement of 1907: Balancing of Threat and securing Profit'.

Cornelis Heere, London School of Economics, 'His impulsiveness is a danger: The British Empire, Theodore Roosevelt and the problem of Japan, 1905-1909'.

Panel B

Jasper Trautsch, The Free University of Berlin, 'The West as Christianity? Religion in discourses on western civilisation in the early phase of the Cold War'.

Andrew Johnstone, University of Leicester, 'Freedom's eldest and most cherished child is religion: American internationalism and religion on the eve of the Second World War'.

Bevan Sewell, University of Nottingham, 'Woodrow Wilson's Heir: The pragmatic and traditional roots of John Foster Dulles's Christian internationalism in the 1930s'.

Panel C

Neville Wylie, University of Nottingham, 'The protection of prisoners of war in the Great War: US diplomats in Russia, 1914-1917'.

Sarah Frank, Trinity College Dublin, 'The long road home and origins of discontent: colonial prisoners of war and the end of the Second World War'.

Geoff Roberts, University College Cork, 'Warrior in silk stockings: the wartime correspondence of Kathleen Harriman, 1941-1945'.

Panel D

Louise Kettle, University of Nottingham, 'Going it alone: the repercussions of the Suez Crisis on the British intervention in Jordan, 1958'.

Norasmahani Hussain, University of Leeds, 'British Foreign Office objections towards the admission of Greece and Turkey into NATO, 1947-1950'.

Begum Yildizeli, University of Exeter, 'Riding the Storm: The Dynamics of Anglo-Turkish relations from 1918 to 1923'.

Panel E

Alastair Noble, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, 'The worst government in modern British History: the foreign policy of the Wilson Administration of 1974-1976'.

Simon Smith, University of Hull, 'Dear Mr Prime Minister: Lyndon Baines Johnson's correspondence with Harold Wilson and the Anglo-American special relationship, 1964-1969'.

Matthias Haeussler, University of Cambridge, 'Harold Wilson, Helmut Schmidt and the British renegotiation of EC-Membership, 1974-1975'.

Panel F

Helen Parr, University of Keele, 'The British Paratrooper and the Falklands War, 1982 and after'.

James Ellison, Queen Mary University London, 'Double Standards? Liberal intervention, Blair, Bush and the Iraq War'.

Michael Kandiah, King's College London, 'What if anything has changed for British diplomats since the 1980s?'.

Fourth Session Plenary Panel – Friday 5 September - 14.00-16.00

Professor David Stevenson and Professor Mick Cox, both London School of Economics, '1914 from an International History and International Relations Perspective'.

Keynote Lecture – Friday 5 September – 18.45-19.45

Professor Steven Casey, London School of Economics, 'Propaganda, casualties and domestic support for war: The US experience in the twentieth century'.

Fifth Panel Session - Saturday 6 September - 9.15-10.45

Panel A

John Fisher, University of the West of England Bristol, 'The British colony in Morocco and the issue of sacred and contested space'.

Roberto Mazza, Western Illinois University, 'A Honest Broker? The American Consul in Jerusalem, Otis A. Glazebrook, 1914-1920'.

Alloul Houssine and Henk de Smaele, University of Antwerp, 'Belgian Catholic opinion and the Armenian Massacres of 1894-1896'.

Panel B

Tina Tamman, Independent Scholar, 'British Intelligence Service's interest in Estonia, 1920-1940'.

Mika Suonpää, University of Turku Finland, 'Promoting Anglo-Finnish commercial relations in the inter-war period'.

Miroslav Svirčević, Institute of Balkan Studies, Belgrade, 'The Munich Agreement of 1938 and the Decree on Banovina of Croatia in 1939'.

Panel C

Peter Whitewood, York St John University, 'The Red Army and the Great Terror, 1937'.

David Motadel, 'University of Cambridge, 'Islam and Germany's War: Military Conflict and the Politics of Religion, 1941-1945'.

Russel Hart, Hawaii Pacific University, 'Never have so few fought so much for so little: Strategic Dimension and Command Friction between British, Canadian and American ground force commanders in the Normandy Campaign, June-July 1944'.

Panel D

Jessica Shahan, Aberystwyth University, 'Writing controversial memoirs: Examining key debates on intelligence memoirs in the United Kingdom'.

Chikara Hashimoto, Aberystwyth University, 'A story behind the Official History of the Lebanese Sureté Générale'.

Len Scott, Aberystwyth University, 'Deception and Deterrence: 1977 British-Argentinian Crisis'.

Panel E

Dean White, University of Northumbria, 'The United Kingdom, the United Nations and Rwanda, 1994'.

Poppy Cullen, University of Durham, 'Kenya, Britain and Somalia: the making of a military understanding, 1967-1968'.

Fewzi Borsali, 'The Colonial Office, the British Council and West Africa during World War II'.

Sixth Panel Session - Saturday 6 September - 11.15-12.45

Panel A

Martin Thornton, University of Leeds, 'The First Lord of the Admiralty and a Naval Policy for the Dominions in 1912: Protection from the big dog'.

Richard Hammond, University of Portsmouth, 'Demonising the Fleet: British perceptions of the Italian Navy in the Second World War'.

Neil Fleming, University of Worcester, 'Gentlemen Amateurs? The Conservative Party 1922 Committee on Overseas Affairs, 1923-1939'.

Panel B

Sakiko Kaiga, King's College London, 'A Quasi-International movement under the League of Nations: The Anglo-American Pro-League of Nations groups, 1914-1918'.

Paul Horsler, London School of Economics, 'Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and the coming of the Second World War'.

Sue Onslow, Institute of Commonwealth Studies, 'The Commonwealth and the Cold War, 1949-1990'.

Panel C

Dimitris Kamouzis, Centre for Asia Minor Studies, Athens, 'One day the mouse may gnaw the cords that bind the lion: British foreign policy in the Eastern Mediterranean and Greece's projected role c. 1912-1922'.

Valentin Valanos, London School of Economics, 'Anglo-American relations and the Cyprus Crisis, 1963-1964: The shift in leadership'.

Alexandros Nafpliotis, National Hellenic Research Foundation, 'Working with a country where deals are continuously cooked up behind the scenes; Anglo-Greek relations, NATO and the EEC in the 1970s'.

Panel D

Stuart Butler, University of Manchester, 'The score is now plus two ministers, minus one organisation: British scientific diplomacy and the declining role of the 1964-1968 Foreign Office'.

Yoshitaka Okamoto, Queen Mary University London, 'British foreign policy and European security under the Callaghan Government, 1976-1979'.

Andrew Holt, King's College London, 'The Thatcher-Carter relationship, 1979-1981'.

Panel E

Tracy Steele, Sam Houston State University, 'Torn between the two Chinas: Normalizing relations with the People's Republic of China whilst courting trade with Taiwan, the Republic of China in the 1970s'.

Mark Chi-Kwan, 'Royal Holloway University of London, 'Nixon First: Anglo-Chinese normalisation, Sino-American rapprochement and the Anglo-American special relationship, 1971-1972'.

Timetable

Thursday, 4 September

13.00 onwards	Arrival at London School of Economics, report to reception Clement House
15.00-16.30	Round Table
16.30-17.00	Coffee
17.00-18.30	First Panel Session
18.45-20.00	Keynote Lecture
20.00	Wine Reception
20.30	Conference Dinner

Friday, 5 September

09.15-10.45	Second Panel Session
10.45-11.15	Coffee
11.15-12.45	Third Panel Session
12.45-13.45	Lunch
14.00-16.00	Plenary Session
16.00-16.30	Coffee
16.30-17.30	BIHG AGM
18.45-19.45	Keynote Lecture
19.45	Wine Reception followed by buffet dinner

Saturday, 6 September

09.15-10.45	Fifth Panel Session
10.45-11.15	Coffee
11.15-12.45	Sixth Panel Session
12.45	Lunch

General Information

Accommodation and Sessions

The conference will be held at the [London School of Economics](#). Sessions will be held entirely within Clement House, aside from the first keynote lecture which will take place in the Shaw Library in the Old Building. Lunch on both days will be served in the Brunch Bowl in the Old Building. The Conference Dinner will take place on Thursday evening in the Senior Dining Room of the Old Building. A buffet dinner will be served on Friday in the Senior Common Room of the Old Building.

Accommodation is available at two LSE residences: High Holborn (B & B) £100 (for two nights) where fifty-five bedrooms have been reserved; and Grosvenor House (Bed only) £140 (for two nights) where twenty en-suite bedrooms have been reserved. These will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Registration

Registration will take place in [Clement House](#) (CLM) 3.02 from 13.00 to 18.00 on Thursday 4 September 2014. Delegates will receive full documentation on registration.

Conference Fees and Charges

Fees and charges will be: Conference Fee which is payable by all delegates except for postgraduate students presenting papers; Full Conference Meal Package or individual meal requirements. See booking form.

Please indicate your requirements on the booking form and return to: Professor Glyn Stone, BIHG Secretary, ACE Faculty, Department of Arts, University of the West of England Bristol, Frenchay Campus, Coldharbour Lane, Bristol BS16 1QY.

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Charing Cross - on the Strand at the Trafalgar Square end.

Approximately 10 minutes away. Trains mainly to south east London and into Kent.

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