



British International
Studies Association



**THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL HISTORY GROUP
THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
EXETER UNIVERSITY
30 August - 1 September 2018**

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 on Thursday afternoon, Friday and Saturday morning. There will also be a round table on Thursday afternoon and a keynote lecture on Friday evening. The Annual General Meeting will be held during the conference. The conference dinner will be held at Holland Hall.

Round Table - Thursday 30 August - 13.45-15.15

New Directions in Imperial and Global History

Chair: Richard Toye (Exeter)

Panel: Emily Bridger (Exeter); Marc-William Palen (Exeter); Gajendra Singh (Exeter)

First Panel Session - Thursday 30 August - 15.15-17.00

Panel A

Chair: Robert McNamara (Ulster)

Jennifer Yuk Lum Yip (Pennsylvania), "'Fighting for Justice and Righteousness": The Moral Meaning of International Law for Wartime Republican China, 1937-1942'

Henry Penfold (Oxford), 'The King Over the Water: What China Saw in the Labour Party, 1953-6'

Gultekin Sumer (Beykent), 'How Soviet Cold War Policies Fell Prey to the Temptations of Strategic Traps'

Panel B

Chair: James Ellison (QMUL)

Spencer Mawby (Nottingham), 'The International History of Uganda 1945-2002: A Sketch'

Poppy Cullen (Cambridge), 'Decolonisation and the 1965 East and Central African Heads of Missions Meeting'

Bruno Cardoso Reis (CEI ISCTE-IUL), 'The Example of the Belgian Congo in Portuguese Decolonization: Real Impact or Legitimizing Discourse?'

Second Panel Session - Thursday 30 August - 17.15-18.45

Panel A

Chair: Martin Folly (Brunel)

Artemis Photiadou (LSE), 'Absolutely First Class': Refugees as a Source of British Intelligence, 1939-45'

Matthew Gerth (Queen's Belfast), 'Vansittartism: Anticommunist Political Repression in the United Kingdom during the Early Cold War Period'

Panel B

Chair: Patrick Finney (Aberystwyth)

Sophy Gardner (Exeter), 'Curating Violence: Air Policing in Iraq and Ireland in the 1920s'

Darius Wainwright (Reading), 'Britannia Overwhelmed? The British Council and the UK Foreign Office's Attempts to Reassert Britain's Cultural Presence in Iran, 1953-1958'

Joseph Higgins (Southampton), 'The South Arabian 'Federal Moment': Decolonisation and State-Building in the Western Aden Protectorate, 1952-63'
 Ryo Ikeda (Tohoku), 'The Aftermath of the Suez War: Negotiations towards the Reopening of the Suez Canal'

Postgraduate ECR Job Workshop - Thursday 30 August - 18.45-19.45

Wine Reception & Buffet Dinner - Thursday 30 August - 19:45-22:00

Third Panel Session - Friday 31 August - 09.00-10.30

Panel A

FCO@50: FCO Historians and 50 Years of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office
 Chair: Richard Smith (FCO)

Luke Gibbon (FCO), 'From "Ultimate Aim" to Proximate Reality: The End of Empire and the Origins of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, ca. 1962-1968'
 Gill Bennett (FCO), 'Conspiracies and Controversies: The Work of Official In-House Government Historians'
 James Southern (FCO), '"Reactionary Brahmins or Diabolically Clever Radical Schemers"? Class, British Culture and the Public Reputation of the 1960s Diplomatic Service'

Panel B

Chair: Colin McDowall (Glasgow)

Perry Biddiscombe (Victoria), '"Branding the United Nations: The Origins of the UN Insignia and Flag, 1941-1950'
 David Gill (Nottingham), 'Inexcusable Default: Rethinking the Causes and Consequences of the United Kingdom's Unpaid War Debts to the United States of America, 1917-1980'
 Michael Hopkins (Liverpool), 'Bargaining for Justice: British Financial Negotiations with the United States and Canada, 1945-1946'
 Paschalis Pechlivanis (Utrecht), 'When Promises of Change Meet Cold War Realities: The US and Romania during the Carter Years'

Fourth Panel Session - Friday 31 August - 11.00-12.30

Panel A

Chair: Robert McNamara (Ulster)

Andrew Cobbing (Nottingham), 'Propaganda and Public Diplomacy in Early Meiji Foreign Relations'
 Antony Best (LSE), 'Responding to Disaster: Britain and the Great Kanto Earthquake of 1923'

Seung Mo Kang (LSE), 'The 1919 German Peace Settlement and the Post-World War II Japanese Reparations Question'

Panel B

Chair: James Ellison (QMUL)

Ian Ruxton (Kyushu), 'Sir Ernest Satow at The Hague in 1907'

David Whittington (UWE), 'Professional and Amateur Diplomacy in the Balkans during the First World War'

David Kaufman (Edinburgh), "'I See no Merit except Ability and Vigour": Lord Balfour, Sir Maurice Hankey and the Debate over the History of the Reparation Question'

Panel C

Chair: Patrick Finney (Aberystwyth)

Matt Hefler (KCL), 'Intelligence and Anglo-French Conflict in the Middle East, 1943-1947'

Lori Maguire (Paris 8), 'France and North Vietnam, 1954-1964'

Andrew Smith (Chichester), "'Pushing and Shoving and Confusion": Franco-British Relations and the June 1954 D Day Commemoration'

Fifth Panel Session – Friday 31 August – 13.30-15.00

Panel A

French International and Strategic Policies at the End of the Cold War through the Lens of Nuclear History

Chair: Martin Folly (Brunel)

Ilaria Parisi (Paris 3 Sorbonne Nouvelle), 'Recovering European Security to Enhance French Independence: France and the Euromissiles Crisis, 1977-1987'

Yannick Pincé (Paris 3 Sorbonne Nouvelle), 'Domestic Politics First: French Communists and the Debates over Foreign and Strategic Policies'

Florian Galleri (Paris-Seine), 'The Political Question around the End of Nuclear Testing during the Mitterrand Presidency'

Panel B

Chair: Spencer Mawby (Nottingham)

Rob Joy (Southampton), 'Facing Decolonisation: British Agricultural Officers in Postcolonial East Africa'

Aranee Manoharan (Kingston), 'Legacies of Colonialism and Ethnic Conflict in Postcolonial Societies'

Panel C

Chair: Mike Hopkins (Liverpool)

John Young (Nottingham), 'Emotions and the British Cabinet's Decision for War in 1914'

Przemyslaw Piotr Damski (Vistula), 'Ignacy Paderewski's "Sound Diplomacy", President Wilson's Fourteen Points and the Emotional Turn'

Sixth Panel Session – Friday 31 August – 15.30-17.00

Panel A

Panel in Honour of Geoff Roberts

Chair: Robert McNamara (Ulster)

Patrick Finney (Aberystwyth), 'Geoff Roberts and the Origins of the Second World War'

Caroline Kennedy-Pipe (Loughborough), 'Rethinking the Cold War'

Chris Bellamy (Greenwich), 'Re-examining Soviet Military Doctrine'

Mick Cox (LSE), 'Rethinking the End of the Cold War: What Did it all Mean for the Russians?'

Panel B

Chair: Gaynor Johnson (Kent)

Mark Minenko (KCL), 'Canada's Compliance with the POW Articles of the 1907 Hague Convention'

Simon Tate (East Anglia), 'The Turkish 'Counter Revolution' of 1909: Reflections on the Autonomy of the British Embassy in the Age of the Telegraph'

Panel C

Chair: Colin McDowall (Glasgow)

Georgios Giannakopoulos (Durham), 'Weather Men: British Intellectuals, National Questions and Imperial Order in the Age of Nationalism and Internationalism'

Jonathan Best (Queen's Belfast), 'Britain's Enemies in Fact and Fiction, 1935-1950'

Scott Ramsay (Leeds), 'Appeasing Franco: Britain and the Continuation of Non-Intervention in Spain, 1939-1940'

BIHG Annual General Meeting – Friday 31 August - 17.30-18.20

Keynote Lecture – Friday 31 August – 18.30-19.30

Chair: Patrick Finney (Aberystwyth)

Jessica Reinisch (Birkbeck), 'The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration'

Wine Reception & Conference Dinner – Friday 31 August 19:45-22:30

Seventh Panel Session - Saturday 1 September - 9.30-11.15

Panel A

Chair: Poppy Cullen (Cambridge)

Grace Livingstone (Cambridge), 'British Policy towards the Dictatorships of Argentina and Chile, 1973-82: How the Social Class of Foreign Office Officials Affects Foreign Policy'

Louise Clare (Manchester), 'War Does Not Begin with its Outbreak. It Begins with the Use of Words': Media and Cultural Influences in the Prelude to the 1982 Falklands/Malvinas War'

Edward Hampshire (MOD), 'Operation Larder: Shadowing the Soviet Navy in the Later Cold War'

Panel B

Chair: David Kaufman (Edinburgh)

Jamie Perry (Birmingham), 'Chatham House Rules? The Liberal Internationalisation of Britain's War Aims, 1939-1945'

Saho Matsumoto-Best (Nagoya City), 'The Christian Democrat Phenomenon in Mid-Twentieth Century Western Europe'

Victor Gavin (Barcelona): 'An Old Problem not Invented by Donald Trump: NATO's Financial Burden-Sharing from the Common NATO Budget Proposal of August 1950 to the Temporary Council Committee Report of December 1951'

Jonas Mikkelsen (SOAS), 'Agency and International Organizations: Have IR Scholars Underestimated the Role of the Executive Head?'

Eighth Panel Session - Saturday 1 September - 11.45-13.15

Panel A

Chair: Martin Folly (Brunel)

Vesa Vares (Turku): '22 Players Run after the Ball, and in the end England Wins: German Views of the 1935 and 1938 Germany-England Matches'

Marco Maria Aterrano (Padua), 'Allied Policy and Italy's Long Postwar, 1943-1947'

Andrea Mason (LSE), 'British Policy towards Eastern Europe in the mid-1950s'

Panel B

Chair: Antony Best (LSE)

Daisuke Ikemoto (Meiji Gakuin), 'Not Maggie's Fault? The Thatcher Government and the Re-Emergence of Global Finance'

Jack Harding (Glasgow), 'Strategic Culture and the Use of the Armed Forces for Domestic Security post-2001: France, Germany, and the United Kingdom'

Lunch – Saturday 1 September - 13.15-14.00

Timetable

Thursday, 30 August		
13.00 onwards	Registration and Coffee	Peter Chalk Centre
13.45-15.15	Round Table	
15.15-17.00	First Panel Session A-B	
17.00-17.15	Coffee	
17.15-18.45	Second Panel Session A-B	
18.45-19.45	Postgraduate and ECR Job Workshop	
19.45-20.30	Wine Reception	Holland Hall
20.30-22.00	Dinner	Holland Hall
Friday, 31 August		
09.00-10.30	Third Panel Session A-B	Peter Chalk Centre
10.30-11.00	Coffee	
11.00-12.30	Fourth Panel Session A-C	
12.30-13.30	Lunch	
13.30-15.00	Fifth Panel Session A-C	
15.00-15.30	Coffee	
15.30-17.00	Sixth Panel Session A-C	
17.00-17.30	Coffee	
17.30-18.20	BIHG Annual General Meeting	
18.30-19.30	Keynote Lecture	
19.45-20.30	Wine Reception	Holland Hall
20.30-22.30	Conference Dinner	Holland Hall
Saturday, 1 September		
09.30-11.15	Seventh Panel Session A-B	Peter Chalk Centre
11.15-11.45	Coffee	
11.45-13.15	Eighth Panel Session A-B	
13.15- 14.00	Lunch	

General Information

Accommodation and Sessions

The conference takes place in the Peter Chalk Centre <http://www.exeter.ac.uk/eventexeter/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/Peter-Chalk-Centre-Information-Sheet.pdf>

The wine reception and dinner on the first night will be in the Holland Hall Dining Room. Lunches on Friday and Saturday will be in the Peter Chalk Centre. The wine reception and Conference Dinner on Friday night will be in Holland Hall which is where all of the accommodation is based; Holland Hall is a short walk from the Peter Chalk Centre.

Conference Fees and Charges

The standard conference fee is £75. BISA members are exempt from paying this fee, and all delegates are strongly urged to join BISA in order to facilitate their participation at the conference. Full details about how to join BISA are available here: <https://www.bisa.ac.uk/index.php/membership-rates>. Standard BISA membership costs £70, with significantly lower rates for PhD students and ECRs.

Delegates are able to purchase either a full conference package or day options through the online shop.

Registration on arrival

Registration will take place in the Peter Chalk Centre from 1pm to 6pm. Delegates will receive full documentation for the conference on registration.

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