

Big Data in Economic History Conference

May 27-28, 2021

Program

Central European Summer Time (CEST)

Speaker's presentation: 30mn – Q&A: 15mn

Organizers:

Victor Gay (IAST-TSE)

Mohamed Saleh (IAST-TSE)

Thursday May 27

14.45 - 15.00 **Introductory Remarks (Victor Gay, Mohamed Saleh)**

15.00 - 16.30 **SESSION 1: Micro-level Data I**

Leigh Shaw-Taylor, *University of Cambridge*

“The Occupational Structure of England and Wales 1379-1911 and some reflections on: Data (not necessarily 'big'), the 'hypothesis first' dogma, questions and the origins of hypotheses”

Ewen Gallic, *Aix-Marseille School of Economics*

“Modeling Joint Lives within Families”

(with Olivier Cabrignac and Arthur Charpentier)

16.30 - 16.45 **Break**

16.45 - 19.00 **SESSION 2: Micro-level Data II**

Steven Ruggles, *University of Minnesota*

“Big Data: Data Infrastructure and the Paranoid Style in the United States, 1965-2020”

Katherine A Eriksson, *University of California, Davis*

“Immigration and Infant Mortality in Massachusetts: Evidence from the Age of Mass Migration”

(with Peter Z. Lin and Greg Niemesh)

Shari Eli, *University of Toronto*

“Do Youth Employment Programs Work? Evidence from the New Deal”

(with Anna Aizer, Adriana Lleras-Muney and Keyoung Lee)

19.00 - 20.00 **Dinner/Lunch/Coffee break**

20.00 - 21.30 **SESSION 3: Textual Data**

Michela Giorcelli, *University of California, Los Angeles*

“Technology Transfer and Early Industrial Development: Evidence from the Sino-Soviet Alliance”

(with Bo Li)

Elliott Ash, *University of Zurich*

“Emotion and Reason in Political Language”

(with Gloria Gennaro)

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15.00 - 16.30 SESSION 4: Micro-level Data III

Lionel Kesztenbaum, *National Institute for Demographic Studies, INED*
"Building a Historical Matrix. Lessons from the TRA Database"

Guillaume Blanc, *Brown University*
"Demographic Change and Development from Crowdsourced Genealogies in Early Modern Europe"

16.30 - 16.45 Break

16.45 - 18.15 SESSION 5: Pre-Modern Data

Mattia Fochesato, *Bocconi University*
"Pandemics and Socio-economic Status. Evidence from the Plague of 1630 in Northern Italy"
(with Guidi Alfani and Marco Bonetti)

Yossef Rapoport, *Queen Mary University*
"Quantitative and GIS Analysis of a Rural Tax Register from Medieval Egypt (1245 CE)"

18.15 - 19.15 Dinner/Lunch/Coffee break

19.15 - 20.45 SESSION 6: Georeferenced Data

Eric Melander, *University of Namur*
"Transportation Technology, Individual Mobility and Social Mobilisation"

Thomas Thévenin, *Université de Bourgogne and*
Alexis Litvine, *University of Cambridge/CAMPOP*
"ANR-Communes: a Big Geospatial Data Infrastructure as a Gateway to Even Bigger Data"

20.45 - 21.00 Concluding Remarks