

# **80<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION**

## **EHA VIRTUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM 2020:**

### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020:**

11 AM -12 PM EDT (USA):

#### **Job Market Workshop**

This workshop is for graduate students and recent grads looking for advice and guidance for the upcoming job market. On this panel faculty will share advice for graduate students in economic history, and job market candidates in particular, and answer any questions that candidates may have.

Speakers:

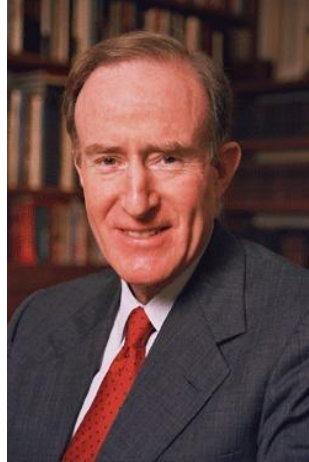
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Richard Hornbeck, University of Chicago

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1-2:30 PM EDT (USA):



Plenary Session: Benjamin M. Friedman, the William Joseph Maier Professor of Political Economy at Harvard, and the author of The Moral Consequences of Economic Growth will be delivering the Plenary Address. The title of his address is: *Religion and the Rise of Modern Economics*.

2:45-4:15 PM EDT (USA):

### Sessions 1-3:

#### **Session 1: Demagogues, Racists and Censors**

Chair: Andy Ferrara, University of Pittsburgh

1. Sascha O. Becker, Monash University and University of Warwick; Francisco J. Pino, University of Chile; Jordi Vidal-Robert, University of Sydney

“Eppur si muove: Effects of Catholic Censorship during the Counter-Reformation”

Discussant: Augustin Bergeron, Harvard University

2. Tianyi Wang, University of Pittsburgh

“Media, Pulpit, and Populist Persuasion: Evidence from Father Coughlin”

Discussant: George Fenton, University of Michigan

3. Max Winkler, University of Zurich; Sebastian Ottinger, UCLA

“Political Threat and Propaganda: Evidence from the U.S. South”

Discussant: Jean Lacroix, Université Libre de Bruxelles

## **Session 2 Monetary Reforms and Resumptions**

Chair: Kirsten Wandschneider, Occidental College

1. Thea Don-Siemion, London School of Economics

“Interwar Poland's Late Exit from Gold: A Case of Government as 'Conservative Central Banker' ”

Discussant: Alain Naef, University of California, Berkeley

2. Francois Velde, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; Lilia Costabile, University of Naples Federico II

“Monetary Crisis and Reform in 17th c. Naples”

Discussant: Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, California Institute of Technology

3. Pamfili Antipa, Sciences Po; Quoc-Anh Do, Sciences Po

“Charity Begins at Home-Why Britain resumed the Gold Standard after the French Wars”

Discussant: Bill Craighead, U.S. Air Force Academy

## **Session 3: Financial Crises: Origins and Resolutions**

Chair: Gustavo Cortes, University of Florida

1. Patrick Van Horn, Scripps College; Ellis Tallman, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

“New York Clearing House Last Resort Lending in 1884: Orderly Resolution of a Systemically Important Financial Institution”

Discussant: Kaspar Zimmermann, Bonn Graduate School of Economics

2. Stephan Luck, Federal Reserve Bank of New York; Kristian Blickle, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

“Micro-Evidence from a System Wide Financial Meltdown, The German Crisis of 1931”

Discussant: Caroline Fohlin, Emory University

3. Jean-Laurent Cadorel, Paris School of Economics

“A Monetary Explanation of the Great Crash of 1929 of the New York Stock Exchange”

Discussant: Adam Brzezinski, University of Oxford

4:30-6:00 PM EDT (USA):

Sessions 4-6:

**Session 4: Assimilating the Immigrant: Consequences for Growth and Innovation**

Chair: Michael Hauptert, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse

1. David Escamilla-Guerrero, University of Oxford; Moramay Lopez-Alonso, Rice University

“Migrant Self-Selection in the Presence of Random Shocks: Evidence from the Panic of 1907”

Discussant: Zachary Ward, Baylor University

2. Konrad Burchardi, Institute for International Economic Studies, Stockholm; Thomas Chaney, Sciences Po; Tarek Hassan, Boston University, NBER, and CEPR; Lisa Tarquinio, Boston University; Stephen Terry, Boston University

“Immigration, Innovation, and Growth”

Discussant: Leah Boustan, Princeton University

3. Ariell Zimran, Vanderbilt University and NBER; William J. Collins, Vanderbilt University and NBER

“Immigrants' Changing Labor Market Assimilation in the United States during the Age of Mass Migration”

Discussant: Chris Minns, London School of Economics

**Session 5: The Roles of Confidence and Information in Financial Crises**

Chair: Sriya Anbil, Federal Reserve Board of Governors

1. Charles W. Calomiris, Columbia University and NBER; Mark Carlson, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve

“Restoring Confidence in Troubled Financial Institutions after a Financial Crisis”

Discussant: Eric Hilt, Wellesley College and NBER

2, Haelim Anderson, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Adam Copeland, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

“Information Management in Times of Crisis”

Discussant: Gertjan Verdickt, Monash Business School

3. Christopher Hoag, Trinity College

“Bank Executive Experience in a Financial Crisis”

Discussant: Carlos Hernandez, School of Management, Universidad de los Andes

### **Session 6: English and French Money Troubles**

Chair: Kilian Rieder, Oesterreichische Nationalbank

1. Eric Monnet, Paris School of Economics; Angelo Riva, European Business School

“Flight-to-safety and the Real Effects of Banking Crises: Evidence from the French Great Depression (1930-1931)”

Discussant: German Forero-Laverde, Universidad Externado de Columbia

2. Bryan P. Cutsinger, Angelo State University; Joshua S. Ingber, Northern Michigan University; Louis Rouanet, George Mason University

“Assignats or Death: Inflationary Finance in Revolutionary France”

Discussant: Matthijs Korevaar, Maastricht University

3. Maylis Avaro, Graduate Institute of Geneva

“Zombie International Currency: The Pound Sterling 1945-1973”

Discussant: Rebecca Stuart, University of Neuchâtel

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2020:**

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12-1:30 PM EDT (USA):

Sessions 7-9:

**Session 7: Money Supply and Global Currencies**

Chair: Alan Taylor, University of California, Davis and NBER

1. Roger Vicquery, London School of Economics

“The Rise and Fall of Global Currencies over Two Centuries”

Discussant: Georges Pantelopoulos, Hunter Research Foundation Centre

2. Paul Schmelzing, Yale School of Management

“Eight centuries of global real interest rates, R-G, and the ‘suprasecular’ decline, 1311-2018”

Discussant: Ralf Meisenzahl, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

3. Adam Brzezinski, University of Oxford; Nuno Palma, University of Manchester and CEPR

“The Vagaries of the Sea: Evidence on the Real Effects of Money from Maritime Disasters in the Spanish Empire”

Discussant: Jane Knodell, University of Vermont

**Session 8: The Political Economy of Sovereign Debt Crises**

Chair: Larry Neal, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

1. Gail Triner, Rutgers University

“The Political Economy of the First Modern Sovereign Debt Crisis”

Discussant: Juan Flores, University of Geneva

2. Rui Esteves, IHEID Geneva; Sean Kenny, Lund University

“The Aftermath of Sovereign Debt Crises: A Narrative Approach”

Discussant: Emilie Bonhoure, Paris School of Economics

3. Ali Coşkun Tunçer, University College London; Leonardo Weller, São Paulo School of Economics, FGV

“Democracy, Autocracy and Sovereign Debt: How Polity Influenced Country Risk in the First Financial Globalization”

Discussant: Samuel Segura Cobos, Tel Aviv University

### **Session 9: Some Demographic Origins of the Modern World**

Chair: Richard Steckel, The Ohio State University

1. Carl Kitchens, Florida State University; Luke P. Rodgers, Florida State University

“The Impact of the WWI Agricultural Boom and Bust on Female Opportunity Cost and Fertility”

Discussant: Carolyn Moehling, Rutgers University

2. Mohamed Saleh, Toulouse School of Economics

“Export Booms and Net Fertility in a Malthusian Economy: Evidence from the Lancashire Cotton Famine”

Discussant: Steve Broadberry, University of Oxford

3. Guillaume Blanc, Brown University

“Modernization Before Industrialization: Cultural Roots of the Demographic Transition in France”

Discussant: Phillip Hoffman, California Institute of Technology

2:15-3:45 PM EDT (USA):

### **Sessions 10-12:**

#### **Session 10: Sovereign Debts and Credit Markets**

Chair: Marc Weidenmeier, Chapman University

1. Colin Weiss, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve; Nathanael Coffey, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS

“Sovereign Default and Capital Flows: Evidence from the American States in the 1840s”

Discussant: Gillian Brunet, Wesleyan University

2. Marc Flandreau, University of Pennsylvania

“Vulture Diplomacy: Distressed Sovereign Debt and the London Stock Exchange the 19<sup>th</sup> Century”

Discussant: Marc Weidenmeier, Chapman University

3. Oscar Gelderblom, Utrecht University; Joost Jonker, University of Amsterdam and International Institute for Social History; Ruben Peeters, Utrecht University; Amaury Vicq, Utrecht University

“Borrowing, Lending, and Financial Intermediation in the Netherlands in 1921”

Discussant: Chris Colvin, Queen’s University Belfast

## **Session 11: Manufactures, Transportation, and Information Access**

Chair: William Collins, Vanderbilt University

1. Réka Juhász, Columbia University, NBER, and CEPR; Mara Squicciarini, Bocconi University and CEPR; Nico Voigtländer, UCLA, NBER, and CEPR

“Technology Adoption and Productivity Growth: Evidence from Industrialization in France”

Discussant: Joel Mokyr, Northwestern University

2, Richard Hornbeck, University of Chicago; Martin Rotemberg, NYU

“Railroads, Reallocation, and the Rise of American Manufacturing”

Discussant: Jeremy Atack, Vanderbilt University and NBER

3. Peter Nencka, The Ohio State University; Enrico Berkes, The Ohio State University

“Knowledge Access: The Effects of Carnegie Libraries on Innovation”

Discussant: Alice Kügler, University College London



## **Session 12: Banking Services for Underserved Communities**

Chair: Martha Olney, University of California, Berkeley

1. Geoff Clarke, Brandeis University

“Generating African-American Wealth through Banking”

Discussant: Liang Bai, University of Edinburgh

2. Masato Shizume, Waseda University

“Modern Banking Reforms and Financial Activities of Indigenous Merchants: A Case from Japan in the Late 19th Century”

Discussant: Matthew Jaremski, Utah State University

3. Craig M. McMahon, Villanova University; Jeremy Land, University of Jyväskylä and University of Helsinki

“Public Banking and Global Marketplaces in Antebellum Georgia and South Carolina”

Discussant: David Wheelock, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

4-4:45 PM EDT (USA):

EHA virtual Business Meeting (everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!)

5-6 PM EDT (USA):



**Presidential Address** will be delivered by EHA President Hugh Rockoff, Distinguished Professor of Economics, Rutgers University. The title of his address is: *Oh, How the Mighty Have Fallen: Common Features of the Bank Failures that Started America's Greatest Financial Panics.*

*About the President:*

EHA president, Hugh Rockoff is a distinguished professor of economics at Rutgers University, a research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research, and an inaugural fellow of the Cliometric Society. A scholar of wide-ranging interests, he has written numerous journal articles and edited volumes on banking and monetary history, financial markets, sovereign debt, the economics of war, the growth of government, and the history of thought. His three books *The Free Banking Era: a Re-Examination*, *Drastic Measures: a History of Wage and Price Controls in the United States*, and *America's Economic Way of War: War and the US Economy from the Spanish-American War to the Persian Gulf War* have profoundly influenced the course of scholarship on bank regulation and the management of war. His grand view is laid out in his acclaimed textbook, *History of the American Economy*. (with co-author Gary Walton). Our "Wizard," Rockoff has made his home institution of fifty years, Rutgers, a center for research on economic history, being instrumental in the hiring of three more economic historians, drawing his non-historian colleagues into research projects, and mentoring many students.

6:30-8 PM EDT (USA):

EHA Awards and Social Hour, hosted by Hugh Rockoff.

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020:**

11 AM-12PM EDT (USA): Poster Session

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12-1:30 PM EDT (USA):

### **Sessions 13-15:**

#### **Session 13: Institutions Matter**

Chair: Leticia Arroyo Abad, City University of New York - Queens College

1. Alexander Klein, University of Kent; Sheilagh Ogilvie, University of Oxford; Jeremy Edwards, University of Cambridge

“Was Domar Right? Serfdom and Factor Endowments in Bohemia”

Discussant: Jan de Vries, University of California, Berkeley

2. Mario Francesco Carillo, University of Naples, Federico II

“Fascistville: Mussolini's New Towns and the Persistence of Neo-Fascism”

Discussant: Rowena Gray, University of California, Merced

#### **Session 14: Education and Innovation**

Chair: Katherine Eriksson, University of California, Davis

1. Alexander Donges, University of Mannheim; Felix Selgert, University of Bonn

“The Consequences of Radical Patent-Regime Change”

Discussant: Petra Moser, New York University

2. Andrés Álvarez, Universidad de Los Andes; Juliana Jaramillo-Echeverri, London School of Economics

“Surnames, Status and Schools: A Long-term View of the Social Ladder in Colombia”

Discussant: Gregory Clark, University of California, Davis

3. Benjamin Milner, University of British Columbia

“The Impact of State-Provided Education: Evidence from the 1870 Education Act”

Discussant: David Mitch, UMBC

### **Session 15: Inequality and its Persistence**

Chair: Marianne Wanamaker, University of Tennessee

1. Felipe Valencia, University of British Columbia; Laura Schechter, University of Wisconsin

“Country of Women? Repercussions of the War of the Triple Alliance in Paraguay”

Discussant: Bernardo Mueller, Universidade de Brasília

2. Yuzuru Kumon, University of California, Davis

“The Deep Roots of Inequality”

Discussant: Pauline Grosjean, University of New South Wales

3. Laura Salisbury, York University; Shari Eli, University of Toronto

“The Intergenerational Persistence of Welfare Receipt”

Discussant: James Feigenbaum, Boston University

2:15-4:45 PM EDT (USA):

Dissertation Sessions:

**Gerschenkron Prize**

The Alexander Gerschenkron Prize is awarded for the best dissertation in the economic history of an area outside of the United States or Canada completed during the preceding year.

Chair: Michael Edelstein, City University of New York, Queens College

1. Enrique Jorge-Sotelo, London School of Economics

*“Escaping” the Great Depression. Monetary Policy, Financial Crises and Banking in Spain, 1921-1935*

2. Adrien Montalbo, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales Paris

*Primary Education, Industrial Activities, and Economic Growth in Nineteenth Century France*

3. Robin John Charles Adams, Oxford University, Queen’s University Belfast

*Shadow of a Taxman: How and by whom was the Republican Government financed in the Irish War of Independence (1919-1921)*

**Nevins Prize**

The Allan Nevins Prize in American Economic History is awarded annually by the Economic History Association on behalf of Columbia University Press for the best dissertation in U.S. or Canadian economic history completed during the previous year.

Chair: Zorina Khan, Bowdoin College and NBER

1. Sarah Quincy, Vanderbilt University (University of California, Davis)

*Back to Good Times: The Real Effects of Credit in Great-Depression California*

2. Cory Smith, MIT

*Land Use and Development Over the Long Run*

3. Jessica LaVoice, University of Pittsburgh

*Essays about Race, Discrimination, and Inequality*

**Dissertation prize announcements will immediately follow the presentations.**

5-6:30 PM EDT (USA):

Sessions 16-18:

**Session 16: Discrimination: Immigrants, Women, and Mortgage Lending**

Chair: Robert Margo, Boston University

1. Mathias Bühler, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich; Leonhard Vollmer, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich; Johannes Wimmer, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

“Education and the Women’s Rights Movement”

Discussant: Claudia Goldin, Harvard University

2. Francisca Antman, University of Colorado Boulder; Kalena E. Cortes, Texas A&M University

“The Long-Run Impacts of Mexican-American School Desegregation”

Discussant: Trevon Logan, The Ohio State University

3. Mintra Dwarkasing, Erasmus University, Rotterdam

“The Dark Side of Social Capital? Battles and Mortgage Lending”

Discussant: Daniel Aaronson, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

**Session 17: The Politics of Health**

Chair: Price Fishback, University of Arizona

1. Vincent Geloso, King's University College; Raymond March, North Dakota State University

“Rent-Seeking for Madness: The Political Economy of Mental Institutionalization in America, 1880 to 1923”

Discussant: Gregory Niemesh, Miami University of Ohio

2. Brian Marein, University of Colorado Boulder

“Public Health in the First Mortality Transition in the Tropics: Puerto Rico, 1923-1945”

Discussant: Craig Palsson, Utah State University

3. Martin Fischer, Karolinska Institute; Martin Karlsson, CINCH, University of Duisburg-Essen; Nikolaos Prodrromidis, CINCH, University of Duisburg-Essen

“The Long-Term Effects from Hospital Deliveries in Sweden”

Discussant: Melissa Thomasson, Miami University of Ohio

### **Session 18: Human Capital Legacies**

Chair: Elizabeth Cascio, Dartmouth College

1. Andreas Backhaus, Federal Institute for Population Research

“Fading Legacies: Human Capital in the Aftermath of the Partitions of Poland”

Discussant: Paul Sharp, University of Southern Denmark

2. Ezra Karger, University of Chicago

“The Long-Run Effect of Public Libraries on Children: Evidence from the Early 1900s”

Discussant: Katherine Eriksson, University of California, Davis

3. Conor Lennon, University of Louisville

“Female Educational Achievement, Labor Market Outcomes, and the Servicemen’s Readjustment Act of 1944”

Discussant: Joyce Burnett, Wabash College

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