

Metropolis and State in Early Modern Europe (c.1400-1800)

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27–28 March 2006

Programme

Monday 27 March

- 9.30 Registration and Coffee
- 10.00 **Derek Keene**
Welcome and Introduction
- CHAIR: Derek Keene**
- 10.10 **Michael Limberger** (History, K U Brussel) and **Marjolein 't Hart** (University of Amsterdam)
Antwerp and Amsterdam: the autonomy of the metropolis vis-à-vis the central state, 1530–1830
- 10.30 Discussion (Commentator: Hans Cools)
- 11.00 Coffee
- 11.30 **Frank Hatje** (History, University of Hamburg)
The art of balancing the powers: Hamburg's fragile autonomy, 1618–1868
- 11.50 Discussion; followed by general discussion of the morning session (Commentator: Leonard Schwarz)
- 12.30 Lunch
- CHAIR: Marjolein 't Hart**
- 14.00 **Equipo 4704** (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Madrid: Alfredo Alvar, Elena M. García, Juan C. Zofío, Teresa Prieto, Leonor Zozaya, Miguel A. García, Beatriz Valverde)
Social cohesion and immigration in Madrid: the city and the court, 1550–1650
- 14.20 Discussion (Commentator: Vanessa Harding)
- 14.50 **Cátia Antunes** (History, Leiden University)
Imperial metropolis, Atlantic port, and absolutist capital: Lisbon 1580–1715
- 15.10 Discussion (Commentator: Derek Keene)
- 15.40 Tea
- 16.00 **Guy Saupin** (International and Atlantic Historical Research Centre, Nantes)
Bordeaux, Nantes and the French Royal State in the eighteenth century
- 16.20 Discussion; followed by general discussion of the afternoon session (Commentator: Perry Gauci)
- 19.00 Dinner for speakers

Tuesday 28 March

- 9.30 Coffee
- CHAIR: Michael Limberger**
- 10.00 **Ed King** (Political Science, University of Concordia, Montreal)
To awe and stupefy: Machiavelli's advice to the Florentine Prince
- 10.20 Discussion (Commentator: Hans Cools)
- 11.00 Coffee
- 11.30 **Maarten van Dijck** (History, University of Antwerp)
Unmanageable cities, intrusive states: the difficult relation between local and central justice in late medieval and 16th-century Brabant
- 11.40 **Sheila Seymour** (Royal Holloway, University of London)
The London shrieval election of 1682: Restoration politics in a crucible
- 11.50 Discussion; followed by general discussion of the morning session (Commentator: Julia Merritt)
- 12.30 Lunch
- CHAIR: Derek Keene**
- 14.00 **William C. Baer** (School of Policy, Planning, and Development, University of Southern California)
Paris and London: state views on metropolitan growth, 1550–1610
- 14.20 Discussion (Commentator: Julia Merritt)
- 14.50 **Alan R. Macdonald** (History, University of Dundee)
Hosting the Estates: Edinburgh and parliament in early modern Scotland
- 15.10 Discussion (Commentator: Leonard Schwarz)
- 15.40 Tea
- 16.00 **Ian Archer** (History, University of Oxford)
London and Parliament, 1350–1720
- 16.20 Discussion; followed by general discussion of the afternoon session (Commentator: Vanessa Harding)
- 17.00 Closing remarks



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