

WORKSHOP

The Culture of Suspicion: Creating Suspects in the Age of Revolutions

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Thursday 27

13:00-14:00. Introduction

Martin Biersack (University of Granada): Introduction. Suspicion in Early modern history.

Eberhard Crailsheim (CSIC, Madrid): Threat-Communication in Historical Research.

14:00-15:30. Lunch break.

15:30-17:30. Session 1.

Renaud Morieux (University of Cambridge): Conspiracies and the Deportation of Suspects in the Indian Ocean during the Age of Revolutions (1790s-1810s)

María Agustina Vaccaroni (National University of the South / National University of Mar del Plata, Argentina): To guard against the enemy. The Passport Commission of Mexico City, between police and punishment (1810s).

Pablo Hernández Sau (Pablo de Olavide University, Seville): “Las noticias que corrían en la Costa de los Alemanes”. Revolutionary Suspicions in Spanish Colonial Louisiana.

17:30-18:00. Coffee break.

18:00-20:00 Session 2.

Vicente Pajuelo Moreno (University of Granada): Under Suspicion: Joaquín Velázquez de León’s Mining Reforms in Baja California.

José María García Redondo (CSIC, Sevilla): Don’t Shoot the Cartographer! José Antonio de Alzate, Royal Chronicler in New Spain. Suspicion and Conflict in the Writing of History.

Rebeca Viñuela Pérez (University of Alcalá): The imperial threat. Transatlantic interventionism in the political cultures of Mexican monarchism (1821-1863).



Friday 28

10:00-12:00. Session 3.

Ismael Jiménez Jiménez (University of Sevilla): Royalists or Patriots? The Brotherhoods of Lima as an object of suspicion for the Republic.

Miguel Luis López-Guadalupe Muñoz (University of Granada): Condescending with popular piety, a guarantee against the suspicion of collaboration with the French. Granada at the beginning of 19th century.

François Godicheau (University of Toulouse-Jean Jaurès): Suspicion, morality and figures of disorder in the Spanish Absolutist Restoration.

12:00-12:30. Coffee break.

12:30-14:30. Session 4.

Juan Luis Simal Durán (Autonomous University of Madrid): Security and Credit in the Spanish Financial Revolution.

Julian zur Lage (University of Hamburg): Suspicions of Smuggling in the French Revolutionary Wars. German Transcontinental Trade and British Surveillance of the Atlantic.

Koldo Trapaga Monchet (Rey Juan Carlos University): An on-going suspicion for the sake of ‘State-security’ for the control of forest resources for State-backed industries in the Iberian Empires (16th-18th centuries).

14:30-16:00. Lunch break.

16:00-17:15. Session 5.

Elsa Pinto Prieto (University of Granada): Models of Listening. Sonic methodologies to discover bodies of suspects during the late Bourbon period, 1770-1810.

Iryna Klymenko (LMU Munich): Suspected Heretics. Policing of Eating and Fasting in Early Modern Poland-Lithuania.

17:15 Final discussion