

Editors' Notes

AWARDS AT THE 2017 ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

The Economic History Association announced the 2017 prize winners at the Annual Meeting held recently in San Jose, California.

TREVON D. LOGAN, The Ohio State University, JOHN M. PARMAN, College of William & Mary, were awarded the *Arthur H. Cole Prize* for the outstanding article published in this JOURNAL in the September 2016 to June 2017 issues, for “The National Rise in Residential Segregation,” published in the March 2017 issue of *The Journal of Economic History*. The winner was selected by the editorial board.

VELLORE ARTHI received the *Allan Nevins Prize* for the Best Dissertation in U.S. or Canadian Economic History, for her dissertation “Human Capital Formation and the American Dust Bowl,” completed at the University of Oxford. Advisors: James Fenske and Jane Humphries. (This prize is awarded on behalf of Columbia University Press.)

MICHELA GIORCELLI received the *Alexander Gerschenkron Prize* for the Best Dissertation in non-U.S. or Canadian Economic History, for her dissertation “Economic Recovery and the Determinants of Production and Innovation: Evidence from Post-WWII Italy,” completed at Stanford University. Advisors: Ran Abramitzky (chair), Nicholas Bloom, Pascaline Dupas, and Melanie Morten.

BRUCE CAMPBELL, Queen’s University Belfast, was awarded the *Gyorgi Ranki Prize* for the outstanding book, *The Great Transition: Climate, Disease and Society in the Late-Medieval World* (Cambridge University Press, 2016).

NICHOLAS CRAFTS, University of Warwick, was awarded the annual *Jonathan Hughes Prize* honoring excellence in teaching economic history.

MICHAEL HAINES, Colgate University, was awarded the inaugural *Robert Gallman/William Parker Award for Lifetime Achievement* in Data Preservation.

Also announced was the *Larry Neal Prize* for the best article published in *Explorations in Economic History* awarded to JAMES FEIGENBAUM AND CHRISTOPHER MULLER, “Lead Exposure and Violent Crime in the Early Twentieth Century,” published in the October 2016 issue.

THE 2018 ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETINGS
LE CENTRE SHERATON MONTREAL HOTEL
MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA
SEPTEMBER 7–9, 2018
CORMAC Ó GRÁDA, PRESIDENT

“‘From Plague, Famine, and War, Save us, O Lord’
Shocks and Disasters in Economic History”

The theme for the EHA 2018 is “‘From Plague, Famine, and War, Save us, O Lord’: Shocks and Disasters in Economic History.” The age-old prayer refers to disasters that have blighted lives throughout history. The theme is an invitation for papers on the broader economic-historical aspects of such crises—environmental, climatic, humanitarian, economic, and other. Plagues and famines kill few nowadays, and deaths from state-based conflicts are also in decline. But they still matter, not least because they may well threaten again as global warming intensifies. The theme of the 2018 meetings

embraces topics such as the economic causes and consequences of wars and of other disasters; comparative and interdisciplinary analyses of famines and plagues from classical antiquity to modern times; analyses of the institutions that attempted to counter them; of their proximate and remoter causes (e.g., climate change); of their changing incidence over time; of the welfare gains from their eradication; and of their short- and long-run economic, demographic, and political consequences. Proposals on macroeconomic and financial crises and, indeed, on any other topic, are also welcome.

The Program Committee, consisting of Ralf Meisenzahl (Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System) (chair), together with Mauricio Drelichman (University of British Columbia), Guido Alfani (Bocconi University), and Hoyt Bleakley (University of Michigan) welcomes submissions on **all** subjects in economic history, though some preference will be given to papers that fit the theme of the conference. Papers should be submitted individually, but authors may suggest to the Committee that three particular papers fit well together in a panel. Papers should in all cases be works in progress rather than accepted or published papers. Submitters should let the program committee know at the time of application if the paper they are proposing has already been submitted for publication. Individuals who presented or co-authored a paper given at the 2017 meeting are not eligible for inclusion in the 2018 program. Papers and session proposals should be submitted online, with details to follow on the meetings website: <http://eh.net/eha/category/meetings/2018-meeting/>. The submission system will be available from 1 November 2017. Paper proposals should include a 3–5 page proposal and a 150-word abstract suitable for publication in the *Journal of Economic History*. Papers should be submitted by 31 January 2018 to ensure consideration. *Please note that at least one of the authors needs to be a member of the EHA.*

Graduate students are encouraged to attend the meeting. The association offers subsidies for travel, hotel, registration, and meals, including a special graduate student dinner. A poster session welcomes work from dissertations in progress. Applications for the poster session are due no later than 21 May 2018 online on the meetings website. The poster submission system will open on March 1, 2018.

The dissertation session, convened by Carola Frydman (Northwestern University) and Mark Koyama (George Mason University) will honor six dissertations completed during the 2017–2018 academic year. The submission deadline is 15 May 2018. The Allan Nevins and Alexander Gerschenkron prizes will be awarded to the best dissertations on North American and non-North American topics, respectively. Dissertations must be submitted as a single PDF file. Files of less than 5 MB in size may be sent directly to the conveners as an email attachment. To submit a file of more than 5 MB, please supply a download link in an email message. The Nevins prize submissions should be sent to rydman@kellogg.northwestern.edu, and the Gerschenkron prize submissions to mkoyama2@gmu.edu. All submissions will be acknowledged by return email.

EHA GRANT AND FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

The Committee of Research in Economic History (CREH) of the Economic History Association is charged with administrating the Association's project of assisting young scholars as a way of strengthening the discipline of economic history. The CREH made three types of awards for 2017: fellowships to graduate students writing their dissertations; travel/data grants to graduate students in the early stage of research; and Cole Grants to recent PhDs.

Sokoloff Dissertation Fellowships

Natalya Naumenko of Northwestern University for "Collectivization of Soviet Agriculture and the 1932–1933 Famine." Advisor: Joel Mokyr.

Chenzi Xu of Harvard University for "Essays in Economic History and Finance." Advisor: Claudia Goldin.

EHA Dissertation Fellowships

Juan Sebastian Galan of Harvard University for "Building the Frontier: Lessons from the Colombian Land Reform." Advisor: James A. Robinson.

Sun Kyoung Lee of Columbia University for "The Rise of the Metropolis: Lessons from New York City." Advisor: Donald R. Davis.

Cambridge University Press Dissertation Fellowship

Keith Meyers of the University of Arizona for "Measuring the Costs of the Cold War: Investigating the Economic Consequences of Atmospheric Nuclear Testing in Nevada." Advisor: Price Fishback.

Data Grants – Cambridge University Press

Chelsea Carter of Boston University for "The Road to the Urban Interstates: A Case Study from Detroit." Advisor: Robert Margo.

Vitaly Titov of the University of California, Los Angeles for "Development of Manufacturing in Late Russian Empire." Advisor: Dora Costa.

Data Grants – Economic History Association

Panarat Anamwathana of the University of Oxford for "The Economic History of Thailand 1941–1957." Advisor: Gregg Huff.

Moya Chin of Harvard University for "Estimating the Effects of a Human Capital Export Economy: Evidence from Nursing in the Philippines." Advisor: Gautam Rao.

David Escamillia-Guerrero of the London School of Economics for "Do Mexican Migrants Panic against Labor Demand Shocks: Historical Evidence of Migration Patterns (1903–1909)." Advisor: Eric Schneider.

Aparna Howlader of the University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign for "Long-Term Environmental Consequence of Agricultural Adjustment Act 1933: Evidence from USA Counties." Advisor: Amy W. Ando.

Aroop Mukharji of Harvard University for "Specters of Ruin: Group Decision, Misperception, and American Economic Policy Toward Europe 1945–1947." Advisor: Richard Zeckhauser.

Michael Poyker of the University of California, Los Angeles for "Economic Consequences of Coercive Institutions: Evidence from the U.S. Convict Labor System." Advisor: Romain Wacziarg.

Gianluca Russo of Boston University for "The Effect of World War I on the Insurgence of Fascism in Italy: Evidence from la Vittoria Mutilata." Advisor: Robert Margo.

Lingwei Wu of Hong Kong University of Science and Technology for “The Economic Motives of Foot-Binding.” Advisor: Albert Park.

Heyu Xiong of Northwestern University for “College Yearbook Digitization and Collection from Ancestry.com.” Advisor: Joel Mokyr.

Arthur H. Cole Grants in Aid

Arthi Vellore of the University of Essex for “Sewage Infrastructure, Labor Markets, and Inequality in 19th Century London.”

Michela Giorcelli of the University of California, Los Angeles for “The Marshall Plan and the European and US Economies After WWII.”

Anthony Wray of Hitotsubashi University for “Access to Medical Care and Racial Disparities in Health in the U.S. South, 1925–1940.”

The Association is grateful to the members of the CREH for their work in selecting the award winners. Daniel Fetter of Wellesley College chaired the committee. He was assisted by Christian Dippel, University of California, Los Angeles; Andrew Jalil, Occidental College; Suresh Naidu, Columbia University; Angela Vossmeier, Claremont McKenna College; Nicolas Ziebarth, Auburn University; Price Fishback, University of Arizona, *ex officio*.