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Towards a Global History of Economic Thought A Webinar Series

Aim

One of the greatest challenges of our time is to manage cultural diversity. In only a few decades, we suddenly shifted from a world of independent nations to a world of interdependent transnational communities, still divided into nations but with increasingly porous borders, which narrow to embrace small local communities and widen to encompass the entire world. We live in a melting-pot society where people with different stories, languages and cultures meet and clash every day.

The rise of this melting-pot society has led to a rediscovery of the comparative method in the social sciences. Classical disciplines flourish once again: comparative economics, comparative law, comparative politics ... Scholars compare economic, political, juridical and cultural systems to identify the main divisive and unifying factors that make coexistence among various people and countries peaceful or conflictive.

The comparative method has obviously been rediscovered by historians as well. World or Global or Comparative History is an emerging area that investigates the processes of transnational and intercultural interactions that occur among human groups on the planet. This is not a new universal story. The subject of inquiry is not the entire world but the phenomena (economic, political, social and cultural) that transcend national boundaries, giving rise to new forms of human coexistence: for example, the forms of cultural *métissage* that arise from migration flows or the formation of transnational communities such as Islamic or Jewish ones. Global History uses (though not necessarily) the comparative method: for example, it does not need it when it studies the general characteristics of the *Umma*, the Muslim community, but does use it to highlight the identity changes occurring in the Islamic communities of various Western countries.

The aim of this webinar series is to initiate a reflection on the contribution that the history of economic thought can give to the global history.

We shall start by exploring Europe as transnational community with the intention to extend the investigation to other supranational communities living in Africa, America, Arab world, Asia.

Those who wish to attend the meetings are invited to send an email to: antonio.magliulo@unifi.it

Programme

1. *A history of European economic thought* – 27 January 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)
<https://www.routledge.com/A-History-of-European-Economic-Thought/Magliulo/p/book/9781032037653>
 - ✓ Speaker: Antonio Magliulo
 - ✓ Discussant: Antony Black

2. *A history of economic thought in Central Europe* – 24 February 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)
<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-030-58926-4>
 - ✓ Speaker: Julius Horvath
 - ✓ Discussant: Pencho D. Penchev

3. *Diversity of Capitalism in Central and Eastern Europe* – 24 March 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)
<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-04950-7>
 - ✓ Speaker: Eric Magnin and Nikolay Nenovsky
 - ✓ Discussant: Alexander Maltsev

4. *The history of Ukrainian economic thought (1861-1922)* – 28 April 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)
https://kneu.edu.ua/en/depts4/k_politychnoi_ekonomii/Vikladachi_poef/Lopuh.K.V/
 - ✓ Speaker: Kseniia Lopukh
 - ✓ Discussant: Nikolay Nenovsky

5. *European and Chinese Histories of Economic Thought* – 26 May 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)
<https://www.routledge.com/European-and-Chinese-Histories-of-Economic-Thought-Theories-and-Images/Amelung-Schefold/p/book/9780367434489>
 - ✓ Speakers: Iwo Amelung and Bertram Schefold
 - ✓ Discussant: Gilles Campagnolo (T.B.C.)

6. *Russian and Western economic thought* – 30 June 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)
<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-030-99052-7>
 - ✓ Speakers: Vladimir Avtonomov and Harald Hagemann
 - ✓ Discussant: Alessandro Stanziani

7. *The Mediterranean spirit of capitalism* – 29 September 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)

<https://www.routledge.com/Thomas-Aquinas-and-the-Civil-Economy-Tradition-The-Mediterranean-Spirit/Santori/p/book/9780367376109>

- ✓ Speaker: Paolo Santori
- ✓ Discussant: Yorgos Stassinopoulos

8. *Ancient economies in comparative perspective* – 27 October 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)

<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-08763-9>

- ✓ Speakers: Monika Poettinger and Bertram Schefold
- ✓ Discussant: (T.B.A.)

9. *European economic governance* – 23 November 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)

<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-13094-6>

- ✓ Speaker: Fabio Masini
- ✓ Discussant: Ivo Maes

10. *Looking ahead: Africa, America, Arab world, Asia* – 15 December 2023 4:00 PM (UTC+1)

- ✓ Round table (T.B.C.): Nicola Miller, Felipe Almeida, Sema Yılmaz Genç, Dawit Haileyesus, Manuel Perez Garcia, Lucio De Sousa