

# Weekend conference: "Workers' Internationalism before 1914"

## Programme

Venue: Room 1.4, Thomas Paine Study Centre, UEA, Norwich, NR4 7TJ

### Saturday 15 February 2014

10.15 Registration, Coffee

10.45 Welcome, announcements

11.00 – 12.45 Session 1

**Thomas Davies**, City University, London: "Robert Owen and Workers' Internationalism before Marxism"

**Jürgen Schmidt**, Humboldt-University, Berlin: "Transnational Tendencies in a National Framework? The Early German Labour Movement as civil society actor, 1830s to 1860s"

**William A. Pelz**, IWCH, Chicago: "'The Emancipation of Labour is neither a Local nor a National, but a Social Problem,' the International Working Men's Association's role in promoting Internationalism, 1864-1874"

12.45 – 1.45 Lunch

1.45 – 3.30 Session 2

**Mark Lause**, University of Cincinnati: "Internationals With Guns 1870-71: the Legends of Garibaldi's Armée des Vosges"

**Deborah Lavin**, London: "'Cherchez la femme!' The two separate inaugural Second International Congresses, Paris, August 1889"

**Jamie Melrose**, University of Bristol: "Rereading Social Democratic Marxism: The Creation of a Science"

3.30 – 4.00 Coffee

4.00 – 5.45 Session 3

**Robert Brier**, German Historical Institute Warsaw: "Nationalism and International Society: The Polish Question and the Politics of Representation at the Second International"

**Rory Castle**, Swansea University: "Rosa Luxemburg and the Origins of her Internationalism"

**Axel Fair-Schulz**, "Between Internationalism, Nationalism, and Betrayal: East and West German Debates on the Labor Movement in Imperial Germany"

### Sunday 16 February 2014

9.00 Coffee

9.30 – 11.15 Session 4

**James Owen**, Research Fellow, History of Parliament: "John Burns, Tom Mann and the culture of socialist politics in England, 1884-1887"

**Gwynn Thomas**, "'Impossible' opposition to WW1 in Britain and Canada"

**Steven Parfitt**, University of Nottingham, "The activities of the Knights of Labour in Britain, 1880s - 1890s"

11.15 – 11.30 Coffee

11.30 – 1.15 Session 5

**Andrei Sorescu**, UCL SSEES, London: "The Limits of Imagining Internationalism: Early Romanian Socialism and Hegemonic Entanglements"

**Ramin Taghian**, Vienna: "The Transnational Dimension of the early Iranian Socialist Movement (1906-1911)"

**Ian Birchall**, London: "La Vie Ouvrière: A Beacon of Internationalism"

**Alice Pate**, Kennesaw State University: "Internationalism and the Radical Press in Russia, 1906-1914."

1.15 – 2.15 Lunch

2.15 – 4.00 Session 6

**Tim Wätzold**, Catholic University, Eichstätt-Ingolstadt: "Migration and the transplantation of labour movement culture: The libertarian Atlantic, cultural and transnational aspects of mass migration, class-formation and working-class-identity in South-America"

**Reiner Tosstorff**, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz: "From the International Secretariat of trade union federations to the International Federations of Trade Unions: The rise of a trade union international in the years before World War One"

**Ad Knotter**, IISH Amsterdam: "Transnational cigar-makers. Cross-border connections, strikes and solidarity at the time of the First International (1864-1873)"

4.00 – 4.30 Summary and Conclusion