

Towards a Global History

A New History beyond the Cultural Turn: a Master Narrative without a Cause and without a Centre?

Conference at EUI, Florence 14-15 May, 2007

Villa Schifanoia, Sala Europa

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Invited Participants: Johann Arnason, Fred Block, Dipesh Chakrabarty, Shmuel Eisenstadt, Garth Fowden, Almut Höfert, Georg Iggers, Hartmut Kaelble, Jürgen Kocka, Marcel van der Linden, Lars Magnusson, Sandro Mezzadra, Asli Odman, Margrit Pernau, H-J Puhle, Shalni Randeria, Dominic Sachsenmaier, Masayuki Sato, Willfried Spohn, Henrik Stenius, Göran Therborn, Peter Wagner, Edward Wang, Barbara Weinstein, Hayden White, Björn Wittrock.

Programme

13 May Welcome Dinner

14 May

0900 Opening. *Bo Stråth*

0930-1100 **A World Historiography**

Georg Iggers and Edward Wang

Discussant: Masayuki Sato

1100-1130 C o f f e e

1130-1330 **World History: Civilisational Analysis and Cultural Crystallisation**

Shmuel Eisenstadt

Johann Arnason

Björn Wittrock

Discussant: Dominic Sachsenmaier

Chair: Henrik Stenius

1330-1430 L u n c h

1430-1630 **From Studying Entanglement to Writing World History: Transcultural Politics before 1800**

Garth Fowden, "Towards a Transcultural History of Rationality. Aristotle in Arabic, Latin and Chinese"

Almut Höfert, "Transcultural Sacred Monarchy"

Discussant: Willfried Spohn

Chair: Johann Arnason

1700-1900 **A Global History beyond the Cultural Turn**

Barbara Weinstein

Peter Wagner

1900 B u f f e t

15 May

0930-1300 **The Possibility of a Global Coming to Terms with an Elusive Past. The Postcolonial Challenge**

Dipesh Chakrabarty

Margrit Pernau

Shalini Randeria

Discussant: Sandro Mezzadra

Chair: Marcel van der Linden

1300-1430 L u n c h

1430-1730 **The Deployment of Industrial Capitalism and the Social in a Global Perspective**

Fred Block

Hartmut Kaelble

Jürgen Kocka

Asli Odman

Hans-Jürgen Puhle

Discussant: Göran Therborn

Chair: Lars Magnusson

1730 **An Alternative Global master Narrative?**

Hayden White

2000 C o n f e r e n c e D i n n e r