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2025 MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION
5–7 SEPTEMBER 2025

The eighty-fifth annual meeting of the Economic History Association will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 5–7 September 2025. The theme of the meeting is "Information and Communications in Economic History." The papers chosen are as follows.

SESSION 1: POLITICAL ECONOMY: EXIST, VOICE, AND LOYALTY

Cory Smith, *University of Maryland*, "Is Basic Democracy Enough?"
Mark Koyama, *George Mason University*, Desiree Desierto, *George Mason University*, and Marcus Shera, *Chapman University*, "Rents and Reformation"
Zhihao Xu, *Tsinghua University*, Xinyu Fan, *Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business*, Gary Richardson, *University of California, Irvine*, and Sicheng Zhao, *Tsinghua University*, "Reason for Treason"

SESSION 2: OCCUPATIONS I: DYNAMISM

Jingyi Huang, *Brandeis University*, Nicholas Carollo, *Federal Reserve Board of Governors*, and Elior Cohen, *Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City*, "New Work in the Second Industrial Revolution"
David Chilosi, *King's College London*, Giampaolo Lecce, *University of Bergamo*, and Patrick Wallis, *London School of Economics*, "Smithian Growth in Britain before the Industrial Revolution, 1500–1800"
Jason Long, *Wheaton College*, and Henry Siu, *University of British Columbia*, "Mechanization and Occupational Change from Farm to Factory"

SESSION 3: TRADE & TRANSPORTATION

Levi Edwards, *University of California, Irvine*, "Public Investment and the Benefits of Antebellum Canals"
Dan Bogart, *University of California, Irvine*, Gregori Galofré-Vilà, *Universitat de València*, and Eduard Alvarez Palau, *Universitat Oberta de Catalunya*, "From Sail to Steam"
Stefania Garetto, *Boston University*, Franco Maldonado Carlin, *Boston University*, and Marie Petkus, *Centre College*, "No Sugar Coating: Quantifying the Welfare Losses from the US-Cuba Trade Policy"

SESSION 4: EDUCATION

Christian Maruthiah, *Trinity College Dublin*, "Coercive Assimilation Policy across Generations: Evidence from American Indian Boarding Schools"
Devin Bissky Dziadyk, *University of Toronto*, "Little School on the Prairie: A Push for Structural Change"
Carole Shammas, *University of Southern California*, "The Change in Nineteenth Century Reading Instruction and Investment in the Processing of Information"

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SESSION 5: URBAN ECONOMICS

Allison Shertzer, *Philadelphia Federal Reserve*, Ryan Gallagher, *Northeastern Illinois University*, and Tate Twinam, *William & Mary*, "Zoning and the American Suburb"
Jeffrey Lin, *Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia*, Jeffrey Brinkman, *Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia*, and Kyle Mangum, *Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia*, "Expecting an Expressway"
Daniel Milo, *NYU Stern*, "How Did Mortgage Market Segmentation Affect Early U.S. Urban Development?"

SESSION 6: US BANKING AND FINANCIAL HISTORY

Sarah Quincy, *Vanderbilt University*, and Chenzi Xu, *University of California, Berkeley*, "Branching Out: Bank Deregulation and Long-Run Growth"
Gary Richardson, *University of California, Irvine*, Vellore Arthi, *University of California, Irvine*, and Mark Van Orden, *University of California, Irvine*, "Retirement, Savings, and Insurance in America, 1861 to 1941"
Mark Carlson, *Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System*, "Learning to Be a Lender of Last Resort: A History of the Federal Reserve's Approach to Emergency Liquidity Provision in the 1920s"

SESSION 7: INEQUALITY: PROCESSES

Dora Costa, *University of California, Los Angeles*, and Ziqi Zhao, *Princeton University*, "Equality before the Law? Evidence from Union Army Courts-Martial
Ellen Anderson, *University of California, Davis*, and Socorro Martinez, *University of California, Davis*, "Gender Equity in the US Civil Service: Evidence from the Classification Act of 1923"
Sophie Li, *University of Southern Denmark*, "Returns to Education for Women in the Mid-Twentieth Century: Evidence from Compulsory Schooling Laws"

SESSION 8: CULTURE

Tianyi Wang, *University of Toronto*, and Hui Ren Tan, *National University of Singapore*, "Movies, Censorship, and the Sexual Revolution"
Itzchak Tzachi Raz, *Hebrew University*, and Max Posch, *University of Exeter*, "Markets Make Humans WEIRDer: Evidence from 1850–1920 United States"
Wenbing Wu, *University of Melbourne*, and James Kung, *University of Melbourne*, "The Rise of the Chinese Clan"

SESSION 9: LATIN AMERICAN AND THE CARIBBEAN

Regina Grafe, *University of Cambridge*, "Archaic Lending or Precocious Financialization? Spanish American Finance to 1800"
Brian Marein, *Wake Forest University*, and Craig Palsson, *Utah State University*, "Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality among Migrant Workers in the Dominican Republic"
Eric Strobl, *University of Bern*, and Fabio Gatti, *University of Bern*, "Local Elites vs. Central Powers: Government Resource Allocation in the British West Indies (1838–1938)"

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SESSION 10: AGRICULTURE IN RUSSIA AND THE SOVIET UNION

Natalya Naumenko, *George Mason University*, "Economic Consequences of the 1933 Soviet Famine"

Natalia Vasilenok, *Stanford University*, "Communal Landownership and the Demand for Land Titling in Imperial Russia"

Nurlan Utesov, *University of Wisconsin, Madison*, and Paul Dower, *University of Wisconsin, Madison*, "Great Leap Backward: Mechanization of Soviet Agriculture in the 1930s"

SESSION 11: ECONOMIC HISTORY OF EAST ASIA

Weiwen Yin, *University of Macau*, Debin Ma, *Fudan University*, and Jared Rubin, *Chapman University*, "Western Impact and Eastern Responses: The Role of Ideology in Chinese and Japanese Modernization during 19–20th Century"

Yuxin (Joy) Chen, *Renmin University of China*, Zhenhuan Lei, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*, and Xiuyu Li, *New York University*, "Matriarch for the Patriarch: Female Regency and Political Stability in Historical China"

John D'Amico, *Tohoku University*, "Guilds, Market Information, and Price Controls in Early Modern Japan"

SESSION 12: INEQUALITY: PATHS AND REGIONS

Nuno Palma, *University of Manchester*, and Guilherme Lambais, *Lusíada University*, "African Slavery and the Reckoning of Brazil"

Guido Alfani, *Bocconi University*, Sonia Schifano, *Bocconi University*, and Sergio Sardone, *Federico II University of Naples*, "Wealth Inequality in Preindustrial Sicily: A Reconstruction (Sixteenth to Eighteenth Centuries)

Sally Zhang, *Tufts University*, and Parker Zhao, *Stripe*, "Forced Displacement and Resettlement: Jewish Refugees in Shanghai during WWII"

SESSION 13: EGG TIMER SESSION — SHOCKS AND SEGMENTATION

Shingo Watanabe, *Bank of Japan*, "The Hidden Driver of Japan's Interwar Depression: Farm Price Collapse and Redistribution"

Gertjan Verdickt, *University of Auckland*, and Amaury De Vicq, *University of Groningen*, "Financial Regulation and Household Portfolio Reallocation: The Impact of the 1905 Dutch Lottery Ban"

Geoff Clarke, *Brandeis University*, and Yinchu Zhu, *Brandeis University*, "Market Integration or Segmentation? Prices in San Francisco's Chinatown, 1874–5"

Mintra Dwarkasing, *University of Bonn*, Narly Dwarkasing, *FEFP*, Yashvir Gangaram Panday, *Erasmus University*, and Lucia Gomez Llactahuamani, *Harvard University*, "The Evolution and Economic Impact of African American Banks The USA from 1900 to Present)"

Maria Stanfors, *Lund University*, "Baby Steps, Earnings Gaps: The Motherhood Penalty in Sweden 1947–2015"

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SESSION 14: EGG TIMER SESSION — CULTURE, LAW, AND INSTITUTIONS

Heyu Xiong, *Case Western Reserve University*, "Political Talk Radio and Rural Conservatism"

Ruoran Cheng, *London School of Economics*, "Route to Cities: Natural Endowments under Varying Institutions"

Brendon Andrews, *University of Alberta*, "Physician Preferences for Consultation Restrictions in the Late 19th Century"

Thomas Helgerman, *University of Minnesota*, and Benjamin Pyle, *Boston University*, "Women in Law and the Draft"

Barry Chiswick, *George Washington University*, and RaeAnn Robinson, *George Washington University*, "Changing Country of Residence without Moving: The Occupational Status of Mexican Americans in 1850"

Melinda Miller, *Virginia Tech University*, "Solely by Reason of Her Marriage: The Effect of the 1907 Expatriation Act on Marriage and Family Formation"

SESSION 15: EGG TIMER SESSION – EDUCATION: INPUTS, OUTPUTS, AND RETURNS

Alexander Persaud, *University of Richmond*, and Anil Menon, *University of California, Merced*, "The Externalities of Missionary Activity: Tracing the Pre-independence Origins of Kerala's Comparative Literacy Advantage"

Danielle Graves Williamson, *Boston University*, and Jennifer Withrow, *Census*, "Segregation Academies: The Effect of 'Whites Only' Private Education"

Jin Wang, *University of Arizona*, "Revolution Modernizes Education: The Dynamic Consequence of State Building"

Michael Briskin, *Boston University*, "The Long-Run Effects of Teacher Shortages: Evidence from World War II"

Paul Mohnen, *Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta*, Martha J. Bailey, *University of California, Los Angeles*, and Abdul Raheem Shariq Mohammed, *Northeastern University*, "Changes in Upward Educational Mobility in the U.S. over the Twentieth Century: The Role of Public Education"

SESSION 16: EGG TIMER SESSION – INTERVENTIONS AND EVOLUTIONS

Yiyu Xing, *University of California, Los Angeles*, "Public Data Infrastructure and Agricultural Development: Historical Evidence from Soil Mapping"

Christopher Sims, *Northwestern University*, and Matteo Ruzzante, *Northwestern University*, "The Origins of the Nitrogen Revolution"

Noel Johnson, *George Mason University*, and Malik Hussain, *George Mason University*, "The Great Revolt and Its Legacy: Understanding Vaccine Hesitancy in Colonial India"

Andres Mesa, *University of Teramo*, "From Networks of Influence to Slavers Networks: The Late Medieval Caucasian Slave Trade and the Genesis of the African Slave Trade in the Atlantic"

Casper Hansen, *University of Copenhagen*, and Marius F. Gunnesmo, *University of Copenhagen*, "Labor-Market Effects of Introducing the 8-Hour Workday"

David Forero, *University Carlos III of Madrid*, "The Long-Term Positive Effects of Trade Integration in Latin America on Exports' Diversification and Sophistication: 1913–2013"

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SESSION 17: LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA

Stephen Broadberry, *University of Oxford*, and Runzhuo Zhai, *Renmin University*, "Innovation and the Great Divergence"

Zhiwu Chen, *The University of Hong Kong*, Peter Turchin, *The Complexity Science Hub–Vienna and the University of Connecticut*, and Wanda Wang, *The University of Hong Kong*, "War and the Origin of Chinese Civilizations, 8000–221 BCE"

Melanie Meng Xue, *London School of Economics*, "History as Evolution: The Case of China"

SESSION 18: GENDER ROLES

Paige Montrose, *University of Pittsburgh*, "The Economic and Social Empowerment of Women through Homesteading in the U.S."

Nina Liu, *King's College London*, "Printing and Women: The Gendered Impact of Printing Technology in China"

Yuchen Lin, *University of Warwick*, and Bin Huang, *University of Zurich*, "Coeducation, Female Human Capital, and the Evolution of Gender Norms"

SESSION 19: INEQUALITY: INTERGENERATIONAL

Gregory Clark, *Southern Denmark University*, "Immobile Britannia: Why It Has Been Impossible to Increase Social Mobility Rates in England 1754–2025, and Why That Is Good News"

Ziming Zhu, *London School of Economics*, "Grim Up North? Regional Intergenerational Mobility across England, 1881–1911"

Adrian Haws, *Cornell University*, "One Step Back, Two Steps Forward: The Lifetime Economic Mobility of Immigrants and Their Children"

SESSION 20: REGIONAL EVOLUTIONS

Karen Clay, *Carnegie Mellon University*, Danae Hernandez-Cortes, *Arizona State University*, Akshaya Jha, *Carnegie Mellon University*, and Joshua Lewis, *University of Montreal*, "The Social Lifecycle Impacts of Power Plant Siting in the Historical United States"

Rob Gillezeau, *University of Toronto*, Jeff Chan, *Wilfrid Laurier University*, and Azim Essaji, *Wilfrid Laurier University*, "Railroads, Market Access, and Indigenous Land Dispossession"

Amanda Gregg, *Middlebury College*, "Survival and Adaptation in the Rural Northeast: Vermont Farms in the Late Nineteenth Century"

SESSION 21: POLITICAL ECONOMY: ELITE CONFLICT

Mariya Sakharova, *Aix-Marseille University*, "Collusion, Elites and Foreign Entities: The Case of Late Tsarist Russia"

Mohamed Saleh, *London School of Economics*, and Allison Hartnett, *University of Southern California*, "Other Glorious Revolution(s): Elite Conflict and Democratization in the Global South"

Julius Koschnick, *University of Southern Denmark*, and Alexandra de Pleijt, *University of Wageningen*, "Alienated Intellectuals? The Political Consequences of the Educational Revolution in Early Modern England"

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SESSION 22: OCCUPATIONS II: FRICTIONS

Wenni Yang, *University of California, Davis*, and Rebecca Brough, *University of California, Davis*, "The Effects of Marriage Bar: Evidence from US Teachers in 1900–1940"

Elijah Locke, *Boston University*, "Ethnic-Occupational Niches: Evidence from the Age of Mass Migration"

Nicholas Carollo, *Federal Reserve Board of Governors*, Jason Hicks, *University of Victoria*, Andrew Karch, *University of Minnesota*, and Morris Kleiner, *University of Minnesota*, "The Origins and Evolution of Occupational Licensing in the United States"

SESSION 23: TECHNOLOGY

Warren Whatley, *University of Michigan*, "Slavery, Technological Change, and the Industrial Revolution in Great Britain"

Yannis Kastis, *University College London*, and Hillary Vipond, *Complexity Science Hub*, "Organizational Practices and Technology Adoption: Evidence from Jewish Immigration and the Tailoring Industry in England"

Daniel Gross, *Duke University*, and Bhaven Sampat, *Arizona State University*, "The Therapeutic Consequences of the War: World War II and the 20th Century Expansion of Biomedicine"

SESSION 24: HEALTH

Ronan Lyons, *Trinity College Dublin*, Alan de Bromhead, *University College Dublin*, and Johann Ohler, *London School of Economics*, "Build Back Better Health: Public Housing and the Late-19th Century Mortality Transition"

Nikita Dhingra, *Georgia State University*, Lauren Hoehn-Velasco, *Georgia State University*, and Mayra Pineda Torres, *Georgia Institute of Technology*, "The Consequences of Federal Abortion Funding Bans"

Volha Lazuka, *Southern Denmark University*, Peter Sandholt Jensen, *Linnaeus University*, "Multigenerational Effects of Smallpox Vaccination"

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