

TENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**THE BRITISH  
INTERNATIONAL  
HISTORY GROUP**

Under the Auspices of BISA

UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER 10 - 12 September 1998

## **The Group**

The British International History Group is organised under the auspices of the British International Studies Association (BISA). The Association acts as a professional body for teachers, researchers and practitioners interested in the area of International Studies, including International History. The Annual Conference of the British International History Group brings together International Historians from a variety of backgrounds and offers them the opportunity to exchange views.

## **The Conference**

The main work of the conference takes place in panels. There will also be a guest lecture on the first evening. The Annual General Meeting will also be held during the conference.

## **Programme**

### **Guest Lecture - Thursday 10 September - 18.30-19.30**

International History: Language, Concepts and Reality Donald Cameron Watt

### **First Panel Session - Friday 11 September - 9.15-10.45**

- Panel A** Espionage in the Cold War: The Case of Oleg Penkovsky (*Len Scott*)  
Bruce Lockhart, Sidney Reilly and the Latvian Riflemen: Russia, Summer 1918 (*Geoffrey Swain*)
- Panel B** Not so Special but Close Relations: The Wilson-Johnson Meeting in Washington in December 1964 (*Saki Dockrill*) Britain and the United States in the Era of Devaluation, 1964-1967 (*Raj Roy*)
- Panel C** The Geostrategic Periphery in British Foreign and Imperial Policy, 1874-1914 (*Thomas Otte*)  
The Spanish-American War 1898: A Foretaste of American Diplomatic Crisis and Conflict (*Joe Smith*)

### **Second Panel Session - Friday 11 September - 11.15-12.45**

- Panel A** An Intelligence Disaster: Britain and the Northern Expedition in China, 1926-1927 (*Antony Best*)  
SOE and French Indo-China, 1943-1945 (*Martin Thomas*)
- Panel B** The Decision to Undertake the Berlin Airlift, 1948 (*Robert Frazier*)  
Herbert Morrison and the Japanese Peace Treaty: The San Francisco Conference, September 1951 (*Michael Hopkins*)

**Panel C** National Perceptions of the Great War and British Fiction (*Michael Paris*)  
The Creation of the Mandates System of the League of Nations, 1919 (*George Ntamark*)

***Third Panel Session - Friday 11 September - 14.00-16.00***

**Plenary Session:**

1919 Revisited (*Mike Dockrill, Ruth Henig, Alan Sharp*)

***Fourth Panel Session - Saturday 12 September - 9.15-10.45***

**Panel A** Britain, the United States and the Demise of the Central African Federation, 1959-1963 (*Larry Butler*)  
Decolonisation by Default: Suriname and the Dutch Withdrawal from Empire, 1945-1975 (*Bob Moore*)

**Panel B** A Grand Design? Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Office and the Question of Europe, 1955-1957 (*James Ellison*)  
The United Kingdom and Maastricht (*Alasdair Blair*)

**Panel C** Anglo-German Naval Relations in the 1930s (*Joe Maiolo*)  
Anglo-American Economic Rivalry in the British Caribbean, 1942-1944 (*Charlie Whitham*)

***Fifth Panel Session - Saturday 12 September - 11.15-12.45***

**Panel A** The United Nations and the Cyprus Crisis, 1954-1960 (*Ted Johnson*)

Revolution and Reaction: Britain, the United States and South Arabia, 1962-1967 (*Simon Smith*)

**Panel B** Anglo-Soviet Relations, 1917-1958: The Footballing Dimension (*Peter Beck*)

Anglo-French Differences over the Rearmament of the Federal Republic of Germany, 1950-1955 (*Rogelia Pastor-Castro*)

**Timetable**

**Thursday, 10 September**

1500 onwards - Arrival at University of Leicester and report to  
Conference Office 1800 Wine Reception  
1830 Guest Lecture

2000 Dinner

### **Friday, 12 September**

0800-0900 Breakfast	1400-1600 Third Panel Session
0915-1045 First Panel Session	1600-1630 Tea
1045-1115 Coffee	1630-1730
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2000 Conference Dinner	1245-1345 Lunch

### **Saturday, 13 September**

0800-0900 Breakfast	1115-1245 Fifth Panel Session
0915-1045 Fourth Panel Session	
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5-1345 Lunch	1045-1115 Coffee

## **General Information**

### **Accommodation and Sessions**

The conference will be held at the University of Leicester. Sessions will be held in the Beaumont Hall of Residence, as will the accommodation and all meals. There are a limited number of ensuite facilities which will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

### **University of Leicester**

There are parking spaces at the Hall of Residence. Please indicate on the booking form if you will be bringing a car. The Hall of Residence is about four miles from the railway station in Leicester. The easiest way is to take a taxi. Ask the driver for Beaumont Hall not the University which is a separate site. There are bus routes to the Hall. Timetables and routes sometimes change and it is therefore advisable to enquire at the coach station.

### **Registration**

Registration will take place in Beaumont Front Hall from 1500 to 1800 on 10 September. Delegates will receive full documentation on registration.

### **Exhibition**

There will be a book exhibition arranged by publishers.

### **Conference Fees and Charges**

Fees and charges will be:

Conference Fee	
Full Conference Accommodation (exclusive of fee)	£25 £114 non-ensuite £129 ensuite

Individual Requirements (exclusive of fee), see booking form.

Please indicate your requirements on the booking form which should be returned to Mrs Denise Martin (BIHG Conference), Centre for the Study of Diplomacy, University of Leicester, University Road, Leicester, LE1 7RH. Applications for places should reach Mrs Martin by 31 July. After that date applications can be accepted only if places remain available.

Please make two cheques payable to:

***British International History Group*** (£25

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***Accommodation)***