**Call for papers**

**Belfast Frontier Research in Economic and Social History (FRESH) Meeting**

**Topic**: Institutions, Capitalism and Economic History

**Date**: 23 June 2017

**Hosting Institution**: Queen's University Centre for Economic History, Queen'sUniversity Belfast, UK.

**Keynote Speaker**: Prof. Avner Offer (University of Oxford)

**Local Organisers**: Graham Brownlow, Chris Colvin and Alan de Bromhead.

**FRESH Organizers**: Rowena Gray, Paul Sharp and Martin Uebele.

On 23 June 2017, Queen's University Centre for Economic History, Queen'sUniversity Belfast, will host a Frontier Research in Economic and Social History (FRESH) meeting. FRESH meetings are aimed at researchers in any field of economic and social history. The meetings build on the concept that scholars present their ongoing research at an early stage, i.e. normally before it becomes available as a working paper, and certainly before it is published in books or journals. The main aim of the meetings is to gather researchers in a friendly and collegial environment where they can present their research and receive constructive criticism from their peers.

The broad theme of the meeting is “Institutions, Capitalism and Economic History”, but submissions on other topics are also encouraged. The keynote speaker is Avner Offer, Chichele Professor Emeritus of Economic History at the University of Oxford, and co-author (with Gabriel Söderberg) of *The Nobel Factor: The Prize in Economics, Social Democracy, and the Market Turn* (Princeton University Press, 2016).

**Logistics**

The FRESH meeting organisers strive to accommodate as many speakers as possible. Accepted papers will receive 30 minutes each (approx. 20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for discussion). There will be a registration fee of €70 (€20 for graduate students) for this meeting, but some financial support will be available for travel and accommodation of presenters thanks to the generosity of the European Historical Economics Society. This financial support will be allocated to graduate student presenters as a priority.

Prospective speakers should submit a one-page abstract and a short CV via the following link by Friday 24 February 2017:

<http://www.sdu.dk/en/om_sdu/institutter_centre/ivoe_virksomhedsledelse_og_oekonomi/forskning/satsningsomr%C3%A5der/economicdevelopment/fresh/meetings/submission>

Notification of acceptance will be given by Friday 10 March 2017.

For more information about the Belfast FRESH meeting and the *Queen's University Centre for Economic History* see <http://www.quceh.org.uk> or contact the local organisers.

For more information about FRESH meetings, please visit the FRESH website at: <http://www.sdu.dk/en/ivoe/fresh>.

**Would you like to organize a FRESH meeting?**

FRESH meetings have no permanent venue but take place at any institution around the world where there is an interest in having the FRESH meeting. Hosting institutions will be asked to provide a venue, including electronic equipment, and lunch and dinner for the meeting participants (usually 10-15). If you would like to organize a FRESH meeting at your institution, please contact the meeting organizers (contact details on the FRESH website: [www.sdu.dk/en/ivoe/fresh](http://www.sdu.dk/en/ivoe/fresh)).

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