

London FRESH Meeting
Financial Institutions and Economic Growth in Historical
Perspective

London School of Economics and Political Science
Economic History Department
December 14-15, 2012
Vera Anstey Room, Old Building

Friday, 14 December 2012

Keynote Speech 1

9:30-10:30 **Joachim Voth** (Universitat Pompeu Fabra and CREI)
“Risk Sharing with the Monarch – Contingent Debt in the Age of Philip II”

10:30-11:00 **Coffee Break**

Session 1 (20 minutes presentation, 10 minutes discussion)

11:00-12:30 **Johannes Buggle** (Sciences Po Paris)
“Law and Social Capital: Evidence from the Code Napoleon in Germany”

Darrell Glaser and **Ahmed Rahman** (United States Naval Academy)
“Seapower and Maritime Trade in the Age of Globalization”

12:30-14:00 **Lunch**

Keynote Speech 2

14:00-15:00 **John Turner** (Queen’s University Belfast)
“The Rise and Fall of British Banking Stability, 1800 to the Present”

15:30-16:00 **Coffee Break**

Session 2 (20 minutes presentation, 10 minutes discussion)

16:00-17:30 **Adrian Leonard** (Cambridge University)
“Risk, uncertainty and insurability”

Vincent Bignon (Banque de France), **Jinzhao Chen** (Paris School of
Economics) and **Stefano Ugolini** (Sciences Po Toulouse)
“Beneath the Gold Points: Financial Market Integration in Europe, 1820-
1870”

Coskun Tuncer (London School of Economics)

“Fiscal rules in a currency union: financial supervision during the classical gold standard era (1880-1914)”

19:00 **Dinner at Osteria Dell’Opera, 43 Drury Lane**

Saturday, 15 December 2012

Keynote Speech 3

9:30-10:30 **Alan Taylor** (University of Virginia)
“The Great Leveraging”

10:30-11:00 **Coffee Break**

Session 3 (20 minutes presentation, 10 minutes discussion)

11:00-12:30 **Katharina Gärtner** (Freie Universität Berlin)
“Debt and Recovery: Evidence from the Great Depression”

Thilo Albers (University of Münster)
“The Competitive Devaluations of the 1930s Revisited”

Olivier Accominotti (London School of Economics) and **David Chambers**
(Cambridge University)
“Keynes and Currency Trading in the Interwar Period”

12:30-14:00 **Lunch**

Session 4 (20 minutes presentation, 10 minutes discussion)

14:00-15:30 **Tyler Goodspeed** (Harvard University),
“Microfinance, agricultural adjustment and the Irish Potato Famine”

Eric Schneider (Oxford University)
“Real Wages and the Household: The Impact of Women and Children's
Labour Force Participation on Real Wages in Pre-Modern England”

Florian Ploeckl (Oxford University)
“It’s All in the Mail: The Economic Geography of the German Empire”

15:30-16:00 **Coffee Break**

Session 5 (20 minutes presentation, 10 minutes discussion)

16:00-17:00 **Tjeerd M. Boonman** (University of Groningen)
 “The impact of sovereign defaults on economic growth in Latin America,
 1870-2009”

Eric Monnet (Ghent University)
 “Financing a planned economy. Institutions and credit allocation in the
 French Golden age of growth (1954-1974)”

17:00 **End of Conference**