Splendid Encounters
Diplomats and Diplomacy in Europe,
1500 - 1750

20th - 21st September, 2013

Programme
Friday 20th September

8.30-9.15 Registration/ Coffee
The Lelewel Room

9.15-9.30 Welcome and Introduction

9.30 Keynote Lecture
Prof. Daniel Riches, University of Alabama
Diplomacy and Cosmopolitanism

10.15 Discussion

Coffee break 10.40 -11.10

Session 1A 11.10 – 12.40
The Lelewel Room
Chair: Steve Murdoch
Diplomacy and News Networks

Laura Mesotten, European University Institute, Florence, News networks and ceremony at the peace conference of Vervins (1598)

Kelsey Flynn, George Washington University, Designing an Embassy for Intelligence: English Diplomacy in Madrid and the Early Imperial Project, 1604-1625

Claire McLoughlin, University of St Andrews, ‘Burn this as soon as you read it’: David Dunbar and the British-Spanish Crisis of 1726-7

Session 1B 11.10 – 12.40
The Kosciuszko Room
Chair: Ekaterina Domnina
Uneasy/unlikely diplomatic partnerships

Natalia Neverova, University of Limoges, The city of Strasbourg in its dealings with the French ambassadors (1590-1612)

Ettore Cafagna, University of Verona, The Republic of Venice and the Republic of the United Provinces of the Netherlands in the early XVII century

Renzo Sabbatini, University of Siena, The Polite Diplomacy of a small Italian Republic: Lucca in Europe in the 16th-18th Centuries

Lunch 12.40-14.00

Session 2A 14.00-16.00
The Lelewel Room
Chair: Michael Talbot
Diplomacy in social context: gifts and givers

Nathalie Rivere de Carles, University of Toulouse Le Mirail, Material geopolitics in Early Modern European culture

Tracey A. Sowerby, Keble College, Oxford, The Meaning and Use of Diplomatic Gifts in Late Tudor Diplomacy

Samuel Morrison Gallacher, IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Lucca, Unwanted Gifts: avoiding obligation in early modern diplomacy

Michael Auwers, University of Antwerp, Ambitious givers, ambiguous gifts. Some thoughts about the functionality of painters in early modern diplomacy

Session 2B 14.00-16.00
The Kosciuszko Room
Chair: Sara Wolfson
Diplomacy in action

Ruben Gonzalez Cuerva, German Historical Institute in Rome, Diplomacy through Factions: the ‘Spanish Party’ at the Imperial court (1556-1659)

Martina Bardonova, Charles University, Prague, The Spanish embassy in Prague under don Baltasar de Zúñiga

Frederik Dhondt, Ghent University, The Congress of Cambrai and Practical Legal Excellence (1722-1725)

Sophie Holm, University of Helsinki, Foreign envoys in Stockholm during the Diet of 1746–1747
Session 3A 16.30 – 18.00
The Lelewel Room
Chair: Daniel Riches
Politics of Diplomacy

Nigar Gozalova, Institute of History, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, Diplomatic Embassies of Nadir Shah Afshar to Russia and the Ottoman Empire

Gábor Kármán, University of Leipzig, The Zaklika Affair and the Specificities of Transylvanian Diplomacy in the First Phase of the Thirty Years War

John Condren, University of St Andrews, Sovereign principality or dependent protectorate? Mantua and the crown of France, 1678-1690

Session 3B 16.30 – 18.00
The Kosciuszko Room
Chair: Ellie Woodacre
Women and diplomacy

Alejandra Fraganillo, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Informal diplomacy between Queen Isabel of Bourbon and the Grand Duchess of Tuscany, 1621-1636

Zuzanna Kowalska, University of Silesia, Katowice, ‘Noe other purpose but to loose time […].’ The missions of John Taylor and Thomas Howard, Earl of Arundel to the Emperor Ferdinand II in the Correspondence of Elizabeth Stuart, Queen of Bohemia

Sara Wolfson, Canterbury Christ Church University, Dévot politics and Caroline foreign policy, the duchesse de Chevreuse and Marie de Médicis at the court of Charles I, 1638-1641
Saturday 21st September

8.30-9.00 Registration/ Coffee

Session 4A  9.00-10.30
The Lelewel Room
Chair: Roberta Anderson
Early diplomacy

Wojciech Kozlowski, New Europe College/CEU Budapest, Succession Crisis in Central Europe in the turn of the 14th century and the ways to tackle it

Elena Woodacre, Winchester University, Treaties, hostages and matrimonial diplomacy between the Rulers of Navarre the Reyes Católicos at the cusp of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries

Germán Gamero Igea, University of Valladolid, The art of diplomacy in Ferdinand The Catholic's Court

Session 4B  9.00-10.30
The Kosciuszko Room
Chair: Simon Johnson
Financing Diplomacy

Michael Talbot, University of St Andrews, The question of finance in early modern diplomacy

Ulrich Nagel, University of Bonn, Money at War: Financial aspects at the Habsburg Embassies in Vienna and Madrid, 1618-1620

Anna Kalinowska, Institute of History, Polish Academy of Sciences, ‘He is no poor man, he can stay well enough…’ The problem of Early Stuart diplomatic emolument

Coffee break 10.30-11.00

Session 5A  11.00-12.30
The Lelewel Room
Chair: Anna Kalinowska
Papal Diplomacy

Alessia Secco, University of Rome Tor Vergata, The Apostolic Nunciatures in early modern Italy. The case of Tuscany in Seventeenth century between continuity and development

Wojciech Tygielski, University of Warsaw, A nuntio in action. Francesco Simonetta at the Polish Diet of 1611

Simon Johnson, Downside Abbey Archives and Library, ‘To the great scandal of all’: The Apostolic Nuntio, the Inquisitor General and the English College Lisbon, 1620-1701

Session 5B  11.00-12.30
The Kosciuszko Room
Chair: Tracey A. Sowerby
Tudor Diplomacy

Ekaterina Domnina, Lomonosow State University, Moscow, Ciphers in early Tudor diplomacy: the case of Spinelli letters

Victoria Smith, Oxford, The nature of ambassadorial counsel: counselling Elizabeth I in the fifteen-sixties

Roberta Anderson, Bath Spa University, Scandal and Rumour: diplomats at the Court of Elizabeth I

Lunch 12.30-14.00
Session 6A 14.00-15.30
The Lelewel Room
Chair: Samuel Morrison Gallacher
Arts and diplomacy

Michela Berti, BeIPD-COFUND, Università de Liège
with Marie Curie Program – European Commission

*Europe in Rome and Rome in Europe: diplomacy as a network of cultural exchanges*

Opher Mansur, University Hong-Kong. *Islam, Orientalism and diplomacy in the decoration of the early-modern papal audience chamber, 1492-1622*


Session 6B 14.00-15.30
The Kosciuszko Room
Chair: Roberta Anderson
Early Stuart Diplomacy

Cynthia Fry, University of St Andrews, *The Unknown Quantity: James VI of Scotland*

Adam Marks, University of St Andrews, *The end of Tudor Policy? James I of England*

Steve Murdoch, University of St Andrews, *The beginnings of British Foreign Policy: The Diplomats and Agents of James I of Great Britain*

Coffee break 15.30 -16.00

Closing Session 16.00-17.00
The Lelewel Room

*The Premodern Diplomats Network: the next steps*

Anna and Bobby look forward to seeing you at the follow-up conference

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4th – 5th April, 2014

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