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9:15-9:30	Registration				
9:30-10:00		Opening Remarks			
10:00-11:00	Aula 1	Chair: Montserrat Herrero	Jonathan Israel, IAS PRINCETON. Keynote Lecture Radical Enlightenment and the early critique of E		
11:00-11:30		Coffee Break			
11:30-13:15	Aula 1	Imperial Forms Today: Digitality, Theology, and Competing World Orders Chair: Montserrat Herrero	■ José María Beneyto Pérez, UNIVERSIDAD CEU SAN PABLO The US, Chinese and European models of World Order ■ Pedro Lecanda Jiménez-Alfaro, UNIVERSIDAD CEU SAN PABLO The Digital Reordering of the World: a Critique of the Idea of Digital Empire	 Rodrigo Palacios Cuéllar, UNIVERSIDAD CEU SAN PABLO Theology of the Empire: Russian Nation-Building versus Materialism Diego Martínez Gómez, UNIVERSIDAD CEU SAN PABLO A Critique of the Imperial Order from the Periphery 	
11:30-13:15	Aula 2	Teaching and Learning the Empire in Portugal and Portuguese Speaking-Countries Chair: A. Belén Martínez	Clara Serrano, UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA Sérgio Neto, UNIVERSITY OF PORTO Teaching and Learning the Empire in Portugal and Portuguese Speaking-Countries		
13:15-14:15		1	Lunch Break (Registration Required)		
14:15-15:45	Aula 1	The Shadow of Empire in Pahlavi Iran Chair: Javier Gil	■ Fernando Camacho Padilla, UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE MADRID The impact of the commemoration of the 2,500th Anniversary of the Persian Empire in Spain. Parallel Activities and Media Coverage ■ Raffaele Mauriello, ALLAMEH TABATABA'I UNIVERSITY A neo-fascist Italian interpretation of Mohammad Reza Pahlavi's cultural imperialism: The World Centre for the Dissemination of the Third Way for Humanity	■ Farshad Zahedi, UNIVERSIDAD CARLOS III DE MADRID The Representation of Persepolis in Pahlavi-Era Cinema: Between Propaganda and Dissent ■ Ehsan Dastgheib, UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE MADRID The Politics of Memory and Identity Construction in Pahlavi Iran: Elite Agency, Mnemonic Nationalism, and the Re- imagination of National Identity	
14:15-15:45	Aula 2	Economic Circulations: Extractions, Trade and Imperial Capital Chair: Mirko Abbritti	■ David Brown, TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN Provisioning Empire: Irish Beef and the Memory of Atlantic Imperialism	■ Chibueze Pipi, KING'S COLLEGE LONDON Calculating Resource Extraction in Colonial Nigeria, 1900-1960: Land Commercialization and Mining Leases	
15:45-16:15			Coffee Break		
16:15-18:00	Aula 1	The logics and dynamics of violence and resistance in the colonial experience Chair: Rafael Escobedo	College, University of Cambridge Mutiny and Murder: The Ghadar Movement, Migration and Diasporic Anticolonialism Tamam Mohsen, University of Geneva, Switzerland Genocide in Gaza: Empire Violence, Coloniality, and Indigenous Resistance Reframing Palestine as a Site of Global Decolonial Struggle	■ Calyx Palmer, KINGS COLLEGE LONDON ""The Empire of Liberty"; Jean-Jacques Dessalines, Haitian Independence, and the Problem of Empire ■ Azzeddine Tajjiou, MOHAMMED FIRST UNIVERSITY, OUJDA, MOROCCO Imperial Echoes and Inherited Death: Spain's Chemical Warfare in Morocco's Rif and the Politics of Memory & Repair	
16:15-18:00	Aula 2	Politics of Memory and Identity in Spain and Mexico Chair: A. Belén Martínez	Najla Achek, THE HIGHER INSTITUTE OF DOCUMENTATION U. OF MANOUBA Memory, Displacement and the Post-imperial Legacy of Iberian Sephardic Jews Vincent Kretschmer Calderón, UNIVERSITY OF FREIBURG From Colonial to Indigenous Universities: Tracing Colonial Legacies and Epistemic Resistance in Mexico	■ Gayle Nunley, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT Routes of Imperial Memory in Women's Orientalist Travel from Spain	
16:15-18:00	Sala Gabriela Wilson	European nations and the imperial mirror Chair: J. P. Domínguez	■ Vanda Amaro Dias; Daniela Nascimento; Cristiano Gianolla, UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA Imperial Echoes? Political Mythologies and Narratives in the EU Enlargement ■ Pedro C. Carvalho; Vanda Amaro Dias, UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA Old Empires, New Imperialism: a Comparison of the Roman Empire and the European Union	 Olga Nikonenko, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON East and West against Empire: Lessons from Antiquity Cecilia Bernabei, UCAM UNIVERSITY OF SPAIN, MURCIA The Broody Poet 	





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9:30-11:00	Aula 1	Critical engagement with imperial pasts: the role of culture and knowledgemaking institutions Chair: A. B. Martínez	Pilar Cuder, UNIVERSITY OF HUELVA Socorro Suárez Lafuente, UNIVERSITY OF OVIEDO Critical Engagement with Imperial Pasts: The Role	■ Alejandra Moreno Álvarez, UNIVERSITY OF OVIEDO e of Culture and Knowledge-Making Institutions
9:30-11:00	Aula 2	Fundamentaciones ideológicas del colonialismo europeo en el s. XIX Chair: Montserrat Herrero	María José Villaverde, COMPLUTENSE UNIVERSITY OF MADRID El concepto de «misión civilizadora» como justificación del colonialismo y del imperialismo francés de finales del XVIII y comienzos del XIX	 Mª Luisa Sánchez-Mejía, COMPLUTENSE UNIVERSITY OF MADRID Historia antigua y colonialismo moderno Rodrigo Escribano Roca, CSIC Del reformismo borbónico al regeneracionismo isabelino: continuidades y rupturas de una tradición imperial (1763-1868)
11:00-11:30			Coffee Break	
11:30-13:15	Aula 1	The management of religious diversity in early modern empires, East and West Chair: Montserrat Herrero	■ Joan-Pau Rubiés, ICREA - UNIVERSITAT POMPEU FABRA Pragmatic Tolerance and Principled Intolerance on the Early Modern Empires: a Comparative Perspective ■ Jonathan López Vera, AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF BARCELONA Japan and Christianity, from Toleration to Expulsion	Alan Strathern, OXFORD UNIVERSITY Pre-modern Secularity and the Case of Early Modern Islamic Empires Jaume Aurell, UNIVERSITY OF NAVARRA Jews and Muslims under Christian rule in medieval Spain
11:30-13:15	Aula 2	Literature, Cinema and Imperial Narratives Chair: J. P. Domínguez	■ Sofia Guimarães, ALBERT-LUDWIGS-UNIVERSITÄT FREIBURG Magical Empires: Temporality and Memory in Salman Rushdie's Victory City (2023) ■ Flavia Garrigós Cabañero, ESIC BUSINESS & MARKETING SCHOOL African Conflicts in Contemporary Western Cinema: Features and Consequences of the Neocolonial Gaze	■ Daphna Erdinast-Vulcan, THE UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA Conradian Phantoms: The Hetero-biography of Michel Leiris
13:15-14:15			Lunch Break (Registration Required)	
14:15-15:45	Aula 1	Travellers, representations and international relations in modern Iran Chair: Javier Gil	■ Parisa Delshad Rezaee, UNIVERSITY OF BURGOS From the Rif to Abadan: Vanishing Natives and Colonial Erasure in Spanish and Iranian Literary Narratives ■ Pablo Martínez Muñiz, INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LA RIOJA Prostitutes, Mentally III Persons, and Workers (1975–1977): The Photographs of Kaveh Golestan and His Critique of Iran's Grandeur	Martina Delicato, UNIVERSIAD AUTÓNOMA DE MADRID Analysis of the Italian Iranian Partnership: between Similarities and Breaking Points
14:15-15:45	Aula 2	Lessons from the Epoc of Empires: Diplomacy, Foreign Policy and Political Ideas Chair: Melike Akkaraca	■ Lucas Tse, ALL SOULS COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD The Anxieties of Status: The Second World War and Chinese Anti-Imperialism ■ Ilkay Yılmaz, FREIE UNIVERSITAET BERLIN Ottoman Security Memory and Long-Term Violence ■ Cecilia Font de Villanueva, FRANCISCO DE VITORIA UNIVERSITY The Transmission of Economic Thought Across the Spanish Empire: The School of Salamanca and the Scholastic Tradition	 Maria Pia Arana Barbier, UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA Vassals or Princes? Sovereignty and Diplomace between the Order of St John and the Spanish Monarchy in the Eighteenth Century Giulia Ribeiro Barão, UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA From Empire to International Cooperation: Transregional Organizations among former Metropolises and Colonies and their Cultural Justifications.
14:15-15:45	Sala Gabriela Wilson	Imperialism and colonialism: a sociological approach Chair: Rafael Escobedo	Alejandro Peña, TORCUATO DI TELLA UNIVERSITY Social Movements, Imperial Authority, and International Order Change	■ Gilad Halpern, BEN GURION UNIVERSITY OF THE NEGEV 'Sociologizing' the Study of Imperial Newspapers
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15:45-16:45	Aula 1	Chair: Melike Akkaraca	Maria Mälksoo, UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN. I Russia's Existential Imperialism at War in Ukraine	•

17:15-19:00	Aula 1	Memory and the Burden of Imperial legacies Chair: A. Belén Martínez	■ Robert Taylor, NEW COLLEGE (UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD) British Post-Imperial Memory and Cultural Indophilia – Moving Beyond 'Raga Rock' ■ Jorge Antonio Montesdeoca Pérez, UNIVERSITY OF LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA Imperial Decline and its Uncomfortable Imprint on National Identities: the Danish Exception	■ Bilal Akar, UNIVERSITY OF MILAN Dancing Across Empires: Leila Bederkhan, Statelessness, and the Politics of Imperial Memory
17:15-19:00	Aula 2	Russkiy mir: narratives and legacies of empire Chair: Melike Akkaraca	■ Rashel Zemlinskaya, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD Narrating Power through Cultural Translation: The Renaissance in the Historical Imagination of the Russian Empire ■ Adeliya Bissenbayeva, UNIVERSITY OF NAVARRA Russia's Disrupted Identity: Imperial Legacies and the Politics of the Present	■ Reetta Eiranen, TAMPERE UNIVERSITY Contested Compliance – Personal Experience and Relationships in Political Group Formation in the Grand Duchy of Finland in the Russian Empire
19:30-20:30		Guided Tour: University Museum (Registration Required)		
20:30	Conference Dinner at University Museum Restaurant (Registration Required)			

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10:15-12:00	Aula 1	Emotional Topographies: Memory, Space, and Istanbul Through the Ages Chair: Jeremy Walton	■ Jeremy Walton, ERC CHAIR OF REVENANT Postimperial Haunting: On Revenants of the Ottoman Empire in the Balkans and Beyond ■ Nagehan Tokdogan, UNIVERSITY OF MUNSTER, GERMANY Emotional Politics of Space in Istanbul ■ Tuba Inal-Cekic, UNIVERSITÄT DARMSTADT, GERMANY Ottoman Legacy and the Political Production of Space in Istanbul	■ Elif Sandal Onal BIELEFELD UNIVERSITY, GERMANY Political Meaning-Making under the Rule of Autocracy: Collective Politicization of Gen Z of Turkey against AKP during 2025 Istanbul Demonstrations ■ Melike Akkaraca Kose, UNIVERSITY OF NAVARRA Narrating Istanbul: Affective-Discursive Constructions of Ottoman Past in Contemporary Turkish Political Rhetoric
10:15-12:00	Aula 2	Collective memory- making under the shadow of empire and colonialism Chair: J. P. Domínguez	Nilay Gençer, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA Memory Infrastructures and Civilizational Claims: Turkey's Cultural Heritage Restorations Abroad Silas Udenze, UNIVERSITAT OBERTA DE CATALUNYA Historical-cum-Colonial memory, WhatsApp and the Meme-orialisation of the Obedient Movement in Nigeria	
12:00-12:30	Coffee			
12:30-13:25	Aula 1	Chair: Javier Gil	Peter Heather, KING'S COLLEGE LONDON. Keynote Lecture	
13:25	Closing Remarks			
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