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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<br>Radical Enlightenment and the early critique of E   |   |  |
| 11:00-11:30 |                            | Coffee Break   |  |   |  |
| 11:30-13:15 | Aula 1                     | Imperial Forms Today:<br>Digitality, Theology, and<br>Competing World Orders<br>Chair: Montserrat Herrero        | ■ José María Beneyto Pérez, CEU SAN PABLO UNIVERSITY The US, Chinese and European models of World Order ■ Pedro Lecanda Jiménez-Alfaro, CEU SAN PABLO UNIVERSITY The digital reordering of the world: a critique of the idea of digital empire   | ■ Rodrigo Palacios Cuéllar, CEU SAN PABLO UNIVERSITY Theology of the empire: Russian nation- building versus materialism ■ Diego Martínez Gómez, CEU SAN PABLO UNIVERSITY A Critique of the Imperial Order from the Periphery   |  |
| 11:30-13:15 | Aula 2                     | Teaching and Learning<br>the Empire in Portugal<br>and Portuguese<br>Speaking-Countries<br>Chair: A. B. Martínez | Clara Serrano, UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA Sérgio Neto, UNIVERSITY OF PORTO Teaching and Learning the Empire in Portugal and Portuguese Speaking-Countries   | ■ Giulia Ribeiro Barão, UNIVERSITY OF<br>SALAMANCA<br>From empire to international cooperation:<br>transregional organizations among former<br>metropolises and colonies and their cultural<br>justifications   |  |
| 13:15-14:15 |                            | 1  | Lunch Break (Registration Required)  |   |  |
| 14:15-15:45 | Aula 1                     | The Shadow of Empire in<br>Pahlavi Iran<br>Chair: Javier Gil   | ■ Fernando Camacho Padilla, AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF 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, CARLOS III UNIVERSITY OF MADRID The Representation of Persepolis in Pahlavi-Era Cinema: Between Propaganda and Dissent ■ Ehsan Dastgheib, AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF 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:<br>Extractions, Trade and<br>Imperial Capital (I)<br>Chair: Raúl Bajo                     | David Brown, TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN     Provisioning Empire: Irish Beef and the Memory     of Atlantic Imperialism     Arina Zarei, SCHOOL OF HISTORY AT THE     UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS     Merchants of Empire: Barings Bank, its Archive,     and the Atlantic Slave Trade, 1762-1890   | ■ Jade Lindo, THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK<br>Creolizing Caribbean foodways: breadfruit, black<br>women and the ecologies of colonialism   |  |
| 15:45-16:45 | Aula 1                     | Julian Go THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO Keynote Lecture  |  |   |  |
| 16:45-17:15 |                            | 1  | Coffee Break   |   |  |
| 17:15-19:00 | 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                      |  |
| 17:15-19:00 | Aula 2                     | Politics of Memory and<br>Identity in Spain and<br>Mexico<br>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     Alison Posey, DUKE UNIVERSITY Afromayores and Materia Reservada: Digital Reckonings with Spain's Colonial Past  | ■ 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   |  |
| 17:15-19:00 | Sala<br>Gabriela<br>Wilson | European nations and the imperial mirror Chair: J. P. Domínguez  | ■ Vanda Amaro Dias; Daniela Nascimento; Cristiano Gianolla, UNIVERSIDADE DE COIMBRA Imperial Echoes? Political mythologies and narratives in the EU Enlargement ■ Pedro C. Carvalho; Vanda Amaro Dias, UNIVERSIDADE DE COIMBRA Old empires, new imperialism: a comparison of the Roman Empire and the European Union   | <ul> <li>Olga Nikonenko, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE<br/>LONDON</li> <li>East and west against empire: lessons from<br/>antiquity</li> <li>Cecilia Bernabei, UCAM UNIVERSITY OF<br/>SPAIN, MURCIA<br/>The Broody Poet</li> </ul>   |  |





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|             | Critical engagement with imperial pasts: the role of culture and knowledge-making institution |   |  |   |  |
| 9:30-11:00  | Aula 2  | Fundamentaciones<br>ideológicas del<br>colonialismo europeo en<br>el s. XIX<br>Chair: Montserrat Herrero                          | Maria 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   | <ul> <li>Mª Luisa Sánchez-Mejía, COMPLUTENSE         UNIVERSITY OF MADRID             Historia antigua y colonialismo moderno     </li> <li>Rodrigo Escribano Roca, CSIC         Del reformismo borbónico al regeneracionismo isabelino: continuidades y rupturas de una tradición imperial (1763-1868)     </li> </ul>           |  |
| 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   | <ul> <li>Alan Strathern, OXFORD UNIVERSITY         <i>Pre-modern secularity and the case of early modern Islamic empires</i></li> <li>Jaume Aurell, UNIVERSITY OF NAVARRA         <i>Jews and Muslims under Christian rule in medieval Spain</i></li> </ul>   |  |
| 11:30-13:15 | Aula 2  | Literature, Cinema and<br>Imperial Narratives<br>Chair: J. P. Domínguez   | ■ Catarina Moura, UNIVERSITY OF BEIRA INTERIOR Imperial Threads: From Fashion Design's Decolonial Aesthetics to the Revival of Silenced Narratives ■ Sofia Guimarães, ALBERT-LUDWIGS- UNIVERSITÄT FREIBURG Magical Empires: Temporality and Memory in Salman Rushdie's Victory City (2023)   | <ul> <li>Flavia Garrigós Cabañero, COMPLUTENSE<br/>UNIVERSITY OF MADRID<br/>African Conflicts in Contemporary Western<br/>Cinema: Features and Consequences of the<br/>Neocolonial Gaze</li> <li>Daphna Erdinast-Vulcan, THE UNIVERSITY<br/>OF HAIFA<br/>Conradian Phantoms: The Hetero-biography of<br/>Michel Leiris</li> </ul> |  |
| 13:15-14:15 |   |   | Lunch Break (Registration Required)  |   |  |
| 14:15-15:45 | Aula 1  | Travellers,<br>representations and<br>international relations in<br>modern Iran<br>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, AUTONOMOUS     UNIVERSITY OF MADRID     Analysis of the Italian Iranian partnership:     between similarities and breaking points   |  |
| 14:15-15:45 | Sala<br>Gabriela<br>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<br>OF THE NEGEV<br>'Sociologizing' the study of imperial newspapers  |  |
| 14:15-15:45 | Aula 2  | Lessons from the Epoc<br>of Empires: Diplomacy,<br>Foreign Policy and<br>Political Ideas<br>Chair: Melike Akkaraca                | ■ Lucas Tse, ALL SOULS COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD The anxieties of status: the Second World War and Chinese anti-imperialism ■ likay Yılmaz, FREIE UNIVERSITAET BERLIN Ottoman Security Memory and Long-Term Violence   | ■ Maria Pia Arana Barbier, UNIVERSITY OF<br>SALAMANCA<br>Vassals or Princes? Sovereignty and diplomacy<br>between the Order of St John and the Spanish<br>Monarchy in the eighteenth century  |  |
| 15:45-16:45 | Aula 1  | Chair: Melike Akkaraca  | Maria Mälksoo, UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN.<br>Russia's Existential Imperialism at War in Ukraine   | •   |  |
| 16:45-17:15 | Coffee Break  |   |  |   |  |
| 17:15-19:00 | Aula 1  | Memory and the Burden<br>of Imperial legacies<br>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   | Liya Zou, INSTITUTE OF PHILOSOPHY (HIW), KU LEUVEN From Traumatic Dissociation to Remembering: Reimagining the Legacy of Empire Bilal Akar, UNIVERSITY OF MILAN Dancing Across Empires: Leila Bederkhan, Statelessness, and the Politics of Imperial Memory   |  |

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| 17:15-19:00 | Aula 2  | Russkiy mir: narratives<br>and legacies of empire<br>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 ■ Hanna Vasilevich, INTERNATIONAL  CENTRE FOR ETHNIC AND LINGUSITIC  DIVERSITY STUDIES  The Strategic Construction of a "Genocide of the Belarusian People" Narrative: Implications for National Identity and Authoritarian Control |
| 17:15-19:00 | Sala<br>Gabriela<br>Wilson  | Economic Circulations:<br>Extractions, Trade and<br>Imperial Capital (II)<br>Chair: Raúl Bajo | ■ Chibueze Pipi, KING'S COLLEGE LONDON Calculating Resource Extraction in Colonial Nigeria, 1900-1960: Land Commercialization and Mining Leases   | ■ 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  |
| 19:30-20:30 | Guided Tour: University Museum (Registration Required)                    |   |   |   |
| 20:30       | Conference Dinner at University Museum Restaurant (Registration Required) |   |   |   |

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| 09:15-10:15 | Aula 1                        | Chair: Melike Akkaraca  | Karl Gustafsson, STOCKHOLM UNIVERSITY. Keynote Lecture Remembering Imperial Japan: Collective Memory and International Relations in East Asia   |  |
| 10:15-12:00 | Aula 1                        | Emotional Topographies:<br>Memory, Space, and<br>Istanbul Through the<br>Ages<br>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 İstanbul ■ Tuba Inal-Cekic, UNIVERSITÄT                                      | 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 |
|             |                               | Chair: Jeremy Walton  | DARMSTADT, GERMANY Ottoman Legacy and the Political Production of Space in İstanbul   | NAVARKA Narrating Istanbul: Affective-Discursive Constructions of Ottoman Past in Contemporary Turkish Political Rhetoric  |
| 10:15-12:00 | Aula 2                        | Collective memory-<br>making under the<br>shadow of empire and<br>colonialism<br>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               |   |   |  |
| 13:30       | Lunch (Registration Required) |   |   |  |