



Empire, State and Growth

Political Economies of the Pre-industrial World
and Beyond

International Symposium in Honour of
Univ. Prof. Peer Vries

17 - 18 June 2016



Friday, June 17th

Location: Seminarraum Geschichte 2,

University of Vienna – Main Building, 2nd Floor, Staircase 9

Universitätsring 1, 1010 Wien

Chair: Thomas Ertl (University of Vienna)

14:00 **Patrick O’Brien** (London School of Economics and Political Science)

First Industrial Revolution as a Conjuncture in Global History

15:00 **Andrea Komlosy** (University of Vienna)

Entanglements of Catching-up.

Rethinking “Industrial Revolution” from a Global Perspective

16:00 Coffee break

16:30 **Erich Landsteiner** (University of Vienna)

Steel, Arms and the Contest of Empires.

The Growth and Decline of Steel Manufacturing and the Armaments Industry in Early Modern Central Europe (16th/17th Centuries)

Location: Kleiner Festsaal, University of Vienna – Main Building

18:00 **Key Note** chaired by Eric Vanhaute (Ghent University):

Peer Vries (University of Vienna)

*Political Economies of Growth and Stagnation
in the Early Modern World*

Followed by a Reception

Saturday, June 18th

Location: Verein zur Förderung von Studien zur interkulturellen Geschichte

VSIG, Rechte Wienzeile 3/9, 1040 Wien

Chair: Peter Berger (WU Vienna)

9:30 **Ernst Langthaler** (Institute of Rural History, St. Pölten/Fellow Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society LMU München)

The 'Miracle Bean'. A History of Globalization since 1870

10:30 **Kent Deng** (London School of Economics and Political Science)

Was there any unilinear Growth Pattern in Global History?

The Case of Ming-Qing China

11:30 Guided Walk (Karlskirche und Karlsplatz)

Lunch at *Waldviertlerhof*, Schönbrunner Straße 20, 1050 Wien

Junior Global Academy. Chair: Andreas Obenaus (VSIG)

14:00 **Rolf Bauer** (University of Vienna)

A Drain of Wealth? India's Economy in the Age of High Imperialism

14:30 **Ashley Hurst** (University of Vienna)

Reassessing Traditional Dynastic Empires in a System of Nation-States

15:00 Coffee break

15:30 **Eberhard Crailsheim** (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas Madrid & VSIG)

*Seville and Manila. Illegal Trade and Corruption
in the Spanish Empire (17th & 18th Centuries)*

16:00 **Birgit Tremml-Werner** (VSIG)

Marginal Players and New Networks in Late 17th-Century Manila Trade

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