Critical Perspectives on Empire and Imperialism: past and present

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Africa: The state, colonial heritage, and conflict

Emmanuel G. K. George (Department of History and International Studies, Babcock University, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria): 'Instability in South-Saharan Africa – Colonial Legacy or Bad Governance'.

Ekanade Olumide Victor (Department of History, University of Ibadan / Babcock University, Nigeria): 'Imperialism and the Hausa/Fulani Hegemony in Post Colonial Nigeria'.

Imperialism: Ancient Period

Ana LJubinkovic (Department of Sociology, University of Essex): 'Imperialism and Humanitarianism in Late Bronze Period Warfare'.

James Thorne (Department of Classics and Ancient History, University of Manchester): 'The collaboration of indigenous elites: Roman imperialism and iron-age Gaul'

Edward Bragg (Wadham College, Oxford University): 'Martial Spin-doctors: the role of private letters in disseminating the war records of Roman commanders during the Republic'

Political economy of imperialism

Stephanie Decker (School of History, University of Liverpool): 'Advertising and development – British firms in Nigeria and Ghana 1946 –1977'.

Adeniyi Adejola (Economics, School of Post Graduate Studies, University of Lagos, Nigeria): 'Political economy of international dependence: imperialism as a cause of underdevelopment in the Third World economies'.

Bugra Özer (School of Public Policy and Administration, Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada): 'The unfinished project of the Turkish neoliberalism and the political Islam: the Turkish health care reform in the light of Pax Americana'

Dr. Johan Höglund (Department of Humanity and Social Sciences, University of Kalmar, Sweden): 'Producing Empire: American Imperialism and Popular Culture'.

Dr. Rainer Bayreuther (Institute of Musicology, University of Wuerzburg, Germany): 'The Enthusiasm for War of German and Austrian Composers in 1914'.

Yvonne Done (English Studies, APU, UK): "Outside – Sergeant! Inside – Brother": The egalitarian struggle in Kipling’s Kim'

Challenges to Imperialism

Prof. Steve Smith (Department of History, University of Essex)

Yu-Jung Hope Lee (Government Department, University of Essex): 'Chinese resistance to imperialism: the right to subsistence'.


Balogun Oladele Abiodun (Department of Philosophy, College of Human Development, Covenant University, Ota, Nigeria): ‘The Quest for a Unique African Notion of Causality: Aftermath of Western Imperialism’.

Emmanuel Ezefete and Glory Ejiofor (Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma, Nigeria): ‘Africa in a globalised world’

**History of European Imperialisms: Germany and Italy**

Matt Fitzpatrick (University of New South Wales, Australia): ‘Identity through Alterity: German Liberal Imperialism, 1848-1884’.

Dr Gideon Botsch (Gedenk- und Bildungsstaette Haus der Wannsee-Konferenz, Berlin, Germany): ‘”Reich und Europa”. An Unsolved Problem for Political Science and Practical Politics of Second World War Germany’.

Dr Jan Nelis (University of Ghent, Belgium and Academia Belgica in Rome, Italy): ‘Sawdust imperialism: Italian fascist empire and the romanità-ideology’.

**British Colonial Rule: Politics and Identity**

Maria Paschalidi (Department of History, University College London): ‘Constructing Colonial Identities: The Ionian Islands in British Colonial Discourse 1835-1849’.

Dr. Stephen Legg (Department of Geography, University of Cambridge): ‘From Colonial Biopolitics to Nationalist Governmentality: Congestion and Calculation in Colonial Delhi’.

**Towards a New Empire? 1**

Wojciech Przybylski (University of Warsaw, Poland): ‘Authority, community and the rise of power – Robert Nisbet and the American realpolitik school’.

Daniel Pinéu (Department of International Politics, University of Wales, Aberystwyth): ‘”The empire strikes back”: The neo-conservative moment and the imperial idea in US foreign policy’

Emmanuel Edogbo (University of Ibadan, Nigeria): ‘The new global politics or an emergent universal threat: US and the global security question’

**Early Modern Imperialisms**

Geoff Kennedy (University of Saskatchewan, Canada): ‘Republicanism and Empire: The Contradictions of Liberty and Domination in the History of Republican Discourse in the Early Modern Era’

Cristina Osswald (Universidade Lusiada, Faculty of Architecture and Arts, Porto, Portugal): ‘The role of visual arts in the Portuguese overseas missions during the 16th and 17th centuries’

**Towards a new Empire? 2**

Eric M. Fattor (Graduate School of International Studies, University of Denver, USA): ‘Empire, Globalization, and the Crisis of Legitimacy in American Foreign Policy’.
Ernesto Gallo (Department of Political Studies, University of Turin, Italy): ‘Towards a new European empire?’

Alfred Toritseju Lawani (Ibadan, Nigeria): ‘United States: Dimensions to interests, responsibilities, and implications for Africa’

Colonialism, nation and identity.


Shiraz Maher (St Edmund’s College, Cambridge University, UK): ‘“A Parting of the Ways”: Muslim Responses to the Nehru Report’

Aspects of the current world order


Abdulrazak Charles Momodu and Efosa Omokaro (Department of Political science, Delta State University, Abraka, Delta state, Nigeria): ‘Militarism and Imperialism in Africa’.

Imperial Heritage and Identity.

Virginie Barrier, PhD (University of Paris 4 Sorbonne, France): ‘Adapting an imperial identity to a post-colonial world: Britain’s Rhodesian challenge (1965-1969)’.

Daphne Halikiopoulou (London School of Economics): ‘Legacy of Empire: Religion and National Identity in Greece and Ireland’