Global Nodes, Networks, Orders: Three Global History Workshops on Transformative Connectivity
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Thursday 20 April: Global Magic at Courtly Nodes circa 1600

09.00 – 09.30 Registration with coffee & tea
09.30 – 11.00 Welcome and Keynote

Ebba Koch: The Mughal Emperors between rationalism and magic

11.00 – 11.15 Coffee/Tea
11.15 – 13.00 Panel 1: Magic Variety in South Asia
Chair: Suranjan Das

Afzar Moin: Why did Muslim kings worship the sun: Islam and cosmotheism
Jorge Flores: A magic ‘Iberian Bengal’, c. 1600
Thomas de Bruijn: The Neoplatonic yogi: the construction of a magical persona in early Hindi Sufi poetry
Said Reza Huseini: Sixteenth century millenarianism and the making of the Tarikhi Alfi

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
14.00 – 15.45 Panel 2: Magic Variety beyond South Asia
Chair: Shiro Momoki

Gijs Kruijtzer: The homoerotic as part of the esoteric experience in the Persianate world and Europe
Richard van Leeuwen: Esotericism in Arabic narrative literature
Tunç Şen: Divination as military art: the Ottoman experience in the long sixteenth century
Romain Bertrand: Analogies on the loose: clerical powers, mystics and magic in Java, Aceh and the Philippines c. 1580-1630
Gabrielle van den Berg: Shiite magic? An epic for Shah Abbas

15.45 – 16.00 Coffee/Tea
16.00 – 17.00 Roundtable: Jos Gommans, Presentation draft ERC-proposal
Discussants: Romain Bertrand, Afzar Moin

19:00 Conference dinner for speakers and chairs
**Friday 21 April: Networks as Agents of Transformative Connectivity**

9.00 – 09:15  
**Coffee/Tea**

9.15-11.00  
**Panel 1: Transformativity**  
Chair: Julie Svastalog

**Hilde De Weerdt:**  
Transformations in medieval Chinese marital, communication, and political networks

**Sabrina Corbellini:**  
Mapping religious transformations: agents, spaces and religious literacies in late medieval and early modern Europe

**Liam Brockey:**  
Missed connections: writing to martyrs and apostates in Japan in the 1630s

**Rémi Dewière:**  
The ḥāǧǧī state: pilgrims as a social category in Borno sultanate’s networks (16-17th c.)

11.00-11.15  
**Coffee/Tea**

11.15-13.00  
**Panel 2: Connectivity**  
Chair: Kaarle Wirta

**Sebouh Aslanian:**  
Reverendissimi in Christo Patris: letters of recommendation, networks, and mobility in the life of Thomas Vardapet of Vanand, Amsterdam’s second Armenian printer, 1677-1707

**Daisuke Furuya:**  
Intermediators who connected between Europe and Asia: “Swedish” experiences in the early modern East Asia

**Lisa Hellmann:**  
Networks across time and taiga: Nordic and Central Asian knowledge circulation in the early eighteenth century

**Edmond Smith:**  
Mere merchants: commercial culture across England’s global networks

13.00-14.00  
**Lunch**

14.00-16.00  
**Panel 3: Agents**  
Chair: Elizabeth Heijmans

**Erik Odegard:**  
Smuggling women: gender, illegality, and elite formation within the Dutch East India Company, 1602-1795

**Meike von Brescius:**  
Interlopers and Cadiz in the China trade

**Bram Hoonhout:**  
Indispensable illegality: how smugglers shaped the plantation economies of Essequibo & Demerara, 1750-1800

**Masashi Okada:**  
Highlanders’ networks in the early modern Sino-Vietnamese borderlands: new aspects of Southeast Asian upland history

**Margret Frenz:**  
Connecting and transforming the Indian Ocean trading world in the 19th and 20th c.

16.00-16.15  
**Coffee/Tea**

16.15-17.00  
**Roundtable: Networks and Transformative Connectivity**  
James Belich, Catia Antunes, Claude Markovits, Karwan Fatah-Black

17:30  
Itinerario drinks reception and book presentation
**Saturday April 22: Theorizing International Regimes in the Modern World**

09:30-11:00  **Panel 1: Early Internationalism**  
Chair: Peer Vries

*Gijsbert Oonk:* Karimjee Jivanjee & Co. 1860–2000: from India to Tanzania and from Japan to the UK  
*Matthew Cook:* Regional decisions and transformative connectivity in British India: the case of the Sindhi writing system  
*Charles Reed:* Loyalism and internationalism in southern Africa and New Zealand, 1850s-1914

11:00-11:15  Coffee/Tea

11:15-13:00  **Panel 2: Interwar Internationalism**  
Chair: Remco Raben

*Miguel Bandeira Jeronimo:* Transformative experiments: interwar internationalism and colonial governance  
*Maria Framke:* Solidarity with Spain and China: the entangled worlds of political humanitarianism and anti-imperialism in late colonial South Asia  
*Moritz von Brescius:* The Axis new world order: German and Japanese “post-colonial imperialism” in the 1930s and 1940s  
*Hiroo Nakajima:* From inter-imperial relations to transnational connections: a case of Japan’s intellectual interchange

13:00 – 14:00  Lunch

14:00 – 15:45  **Panel 3: Internationalism and Decolonization**  
Chair: Carolien Stolte

*Anne-Isabelle Richard:* Eurafrika: attempts to subvert empire in the late 1940s  
*Su Lin Lewis:* The other left: transnational socialist networks and the early Cold War in Burma and Indonesia  
*Greg Goulding:* Hindi internationalisms: progressivism, experimentalism, and debates over aesthetics in the context of the Cold War

15:45 – 16:00  Coffee/Tea

16:00  Itinerario lecture and presentation anniversary issue

17:00  Close