



**18th Annual Congress of the European Business History Association
Utrecht, 21-23 August, 2014**

Comparative Business History: Contrasting Regions, Sectors, and Centuries

Call for papers and sessions (Deadline: January 15, 2014):

For the 2014 EBHA Utrecht congress we encourage participants to take a long-term view in comparing business activities across different periods of time, to compare similarities and differences, and to reflect about their meaning. We believe that drawing comparisons is an important instrument for business historians and a gathering of business historians from all over Europe as well as from other parts of the world is the ideal venue for ambitious juggling.

Contrasting centuries with each other will increase our understanding of the interaction between business strategies and the institutions surrounding the business activities, such as the role of government or the alternation between collaboration and competition between trades. In addition we invite papers that compare industry sectors in different countries or regions in similar periods. Which factors contributed to the shift of industries from one region to another? Why did some firms move, while others stayed or transformed their business. We welcome papers discussing the varieties of capitalism.

More information about the call for papers and sessions: <https://www.ebha-2014.eu/call-papers>

Call for dissertations (Deadline: January 15, 2014):

Every two years, the EBHA awards a prize for the best dissertation in business history submitted to a European university in the previous two years. Eligible dissertations may be in any European language. Three finalists will be selected from the dissertations submitted for consideration, and the authors will be required to give a presentation based on their dissertations at a plenary session at the forthcoming EBHA congress. All three finalists will receive a certificate that they have been among the short-listed candidates and will be eligible for reimbursement of part of their travel costs. All three will also be eligible for a waiver of their registration fees for the congress. In addition, the prize winner will receive EUR 300 and a special certificate. The finalists are invited to have written versions of their presentations published in the Newsletter of EBHA.

More information about the dissertation prize: <https://www.ebha-2014.eu/dissertation-prize-0>

Call for posters (Deadline: February 15, 2014):

The poster session offers junior researchers a great opportunity to present ongoing research in the field of business history to an international audience. Posters combine text and graphics in order to communicate information and ideas. The informal and interactive setting of the poster session makes it easy to engage people in conversation and invite feedback. From the applications around ten posters will be selected by a jury. These will be on display for two days, which will give the posters maximum exposure. During the poster session itself the participants will be expected to be with their posters for brief presentations, questions and discussion. The jury will assess the posters and the best poster will receive a prize of 250 euros sponsored by the Dutch Foundation of Business History.

More information about the poster session: <https://www.ebha-2014.eu/poster-session>

Information about the congress, the call for papers/sessions, the dissertation prize, the poster session and the procedure for submitting proposals, can be found on: www.ebha-2014.eu.



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