



Call for Papers

EABH Workshop 2009 *The History of Insurance: Perspectives and Research Sources* **Deadline: 31 July 2009**

The European Association for Banking and Financial History e.V. (EABH) is calling for papers to be presented at a workshop kindly hosted by Lusitania, Companhia de Seguros. The event will take place in Lisbon, on Friday, 20 November 2009.

The EABH is the main European academic forum for research on banking and financial history (further details on www.eabh.info). It promotes the production and dissemination of high quality academic research through workshops, conferences and publications, including the Financial History Review, an academic journal currently edited by Duncan Ross and published by Cambridge University Press. The EABH has organized workshops since its foundation, on topics relating to archival issues, art and culture and banking and financial matters with a broader relevance for business, policy and archivists. The subject of the 2009 workshop in Lisbon will be *The History of Insurance: Perspectives and Research Sources*. The objective of this meeting is to provide analytical insights into various topics of the history of insurance with a special emphasis on the quality of the sources used by researchers for their work.

The program committee encourages submissions on the history of insurance with specific emphasis on the following three areas:

- Company history
- Market history (including the regulation of insurance markets)
- Event history (including major disasters and their public perception)

The committee will consider any paper dealing with topics from these three areas. Presenters at the workshop are however expected to speak not only on their specific topic but also to explain what sources they have used for their research. In doing so, presenters should critically evaluate their sources and discuss their quality, adequacy as well as alternative sources that could be used on their specific topics. Possible sources of research on the history of insurance companies, insurance markets and specific events in insurance history include among others: archives/ corporate balance sheets/ market statistics/ national accounting including balance of payments statistics/ electronic resources/ the Worldwide Web/ questionnaires and interviews.

The workshop's committee consists of:

Niels-Viggo Haueter, Swisse Re, Zurich
Francesco Mansutti, Mansutti Foundation, Milan
Welf Werner, Jacobs University, Bremen

Scholars interested in presenting a paper should send an abstract (of approx. 500 words) including a short reference to their research sources – with details about their institutional affiliation and Email contacts – by **Friday, 31 July 2009** to Gabriella Massaglia at g.massaglia@bankinghistory.de or Marnie Giuranna at m.giuranna@bankinghistory.de. In case of co-authored papers, proposals should indicate the name and contact information of all authors. All submissions will receive acknowledgement of receipt. Notice of acceptance will be sent by **15 September, 2009**. Authors of accepted papers are expected to commit themselves to delivering a final version of their contribution by **Friday, 30 October 2009**.