

Workshop

Spreading the Net: Partnerships in Times of War and Peace

London, 13-14 March 2009

We are like the mechanism of a watch, dear brother: each part is essential
Salomon von Rothschild, 1834

The success of the Rothschild business, founded in Frankfurt in the eighteenth century, has been attributed in large part to the network established by the family, which enabled them to carry out complex business engagements in the tumultuous era of the Napoleonic Wars. Papers presented at this workshop will investigate business networks in operation in the context of European political and social developments in the nineteenth century.

Hilde Greefs (Antwerp)

Trade networks between Antwerp and London after the reopening of the river Scheldt (1796).

Leos Müller (Uppsala)

Foreign merchants in Gothenburg during the Napoleonic Wars.

Margrit Schulte Beerbühl (Düsseldorf)

Nathan Mayer Rothschild and his German trade network during the Napoleonic Wars.

Monika Poettinger (Milano)

International networks in Milan in the Napoleonic Age.

Maria Christina Chatziioannou (Athens)

Expansion and strategies of Greek commercial houses 1780-1870: from the Levant to England.

Frank Hatje (Hamburg)

Religious minority and commercial networking. A case study.

John Davis (Kingston)

Restoration, industrialisation and international finance: the Rothschilds and loans to Prussia, 1818-1832.

Rainer Liedtke (Gießen)

Agent, business partner, friend: the multilayered relationship between the Rothschilds and Gerson von Bleichröder (1822-1893).

Klaus Weber (Hamburg/London)

Adapted to their cultural environments: French and British ways of Rothschild philanthropy.

The Rothschild Archive London is hosting the workshop, which is organised in conjunction with the German Historical Institute and the Heinrich Heine Universität, Düsseldorf.

Places are limited, but if you would like to attend please contact Melanie Aspey: info@rothschildarchive.org for further details.