

*Colonialism in comparative perspective:  
Tianjin under Nine Flags, 1860-1949*

# **'Treaty Ports in Modern China'**

**Programme**

**7-8 July 2011**

**School of Humanities, University of Bristol**



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July

9.10 Welcome

**9.30-11 Panel 1: Tianjin (1), Chair: Natascha Gentz (University of Edinburgh)**

Ines Eben von Racknitz, Nanjing University

'The establishment of the British and the French Tianjin, 1858-1860'

Wayne Patterson, St. Norbert College

'Tianjin in Three Dimensions: Observations from a Soldier, a Military Adviser, and a Customs Officer, 1860-1883'

Cord Eberspächer, Konfuzius-Institut Düsseldorf/ an der Heinrich-Heine-Universität  
Düsseldorf

'Colonialism on Equal Terms? Negotiating the German Concession in Tianjin 1895-1897'

**11-11.20 Break**

**11.20-12.50 Panel 2: Networks, Chair: Chris Hess (University of Warwick)**

Robert Bickers, University of Bristol

'British concessions and Chinese cities, 1910s-1930s'

Norihito Mizuno, Akita International University

'Japanese Schools in the Chinese Open-Ports '

Hoito Wong, University of Edinburgh

'Interport Printing Enterprise: Portuguese Printing Network in Chinese Treaty Ports'

**12.50-2 Lunch ALL WELCOME**

**2.00-3.30 Panel 3: Violence and contestation, Chair: Gary Tiedemann (KCL)**

Songchuan Chen, University of Bristol

'The Power of Ancestors: Tombs and Cemeteries in Colonial Land Acquisition and in China's Foreign Relations, 1842-1949'

Nikki Cooper, Swansea University

'The Uses of Gender and Religion: the Tianjin Massacre, Sensationalism and Expansionist Leverage''

Brett Sheehan, University of Southern California

'Treaty Port Terrorism: The Local International Context of the Sino-Japanese Conflict in Tianjin, 1931-21 and 1938'

**3.30-4.00 Break**

**4.00-5.30 Panel 4: Infrastructures, Chair: Weipin Tsai (Royal Holloway University of London)**

Pär Cassel, University of Michigan

'Extraterritoriality in China: What we know and what we don't know

Chiara Betta, Independent scholar

'The Land System of The Shanghai Foreign Settlements: The Rise and Fall of The Haroon Family, 1874-1951'

Annie Reinhardt, Williams College

'Reinterpreting the Treaty Ports through Shipping Infrastructure'

**5.30 Reception ALL WELCOME 6.00 Launch of [Visualising China](#).**

## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July

### 9.15-10.45 Panel 5: Tianjin (2) , Chair: Robin Porter (University of Bristol)

Liu Haiyan, Tianjin Academy of Social Sciences

'Popular Culture and Formation of Business Centre in the French Concession of Tianjin'

Aglaia de Angeli, Newcastle University

'Belgian nationalism and economic interests in Tianjin'

Shirley Ye, Harvard University

'River Conservancy and State-building in Treaty Port China'

### 10.45-11.15 Break

### 11.15-12.45 Panel 6: Lives, Chair: Jeffrey Wasserstrom (University of California, Irvine)

Isabella Jackson, University of Bristol

'An experiment in transnational governance: the Shanghai Municipal Council'

Douglas Fix, Reed College

'The global entanglements of a marginal man in treaty-port Xiamen'

Natascha Gentz, University of Edinburgh

'Ying Lianzhi and the founding of the Tianjin *Dagongbao*'

### 12.45-2 Lunch

### 2.00-3.30 Panel 7: Handovers, Chair: Toby Lincoln (University of Leicester)

Guido Samarani, Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia

'The Italian Presence in China's Treaty Ports'

Dorothee Rihal, Institut d'Asie Orientale, Lyon

'An isolated island in central China: the French Concession in Hankow during the Japanese Occupation'

Jon Howlett, University of Bristol

'The Communists and the Kailuan Mines; the Tianjin model and the takeover of Shanghai'

### 3.30 Break

### 4.00 Roundtable, Chair: Nikki Cooper

Robert Bickers, Natascha Gentz, Liu Haiyan, Jim Hevia, Jeff Wasserstrom,

5.30 Close