
Institute of Historical Research Partnership Seminar series
Risk and Uncertainty in the Premodern World
Autumn 2021

Convenors: Lewis Wade (Exeter), Gijs Dreijer (Leiden) and Mallory Hope (Yale)

Seminars will take place **online**. Registration will be necessary in advance through [our page](#) on the Institute of Historical Research website. To be informed when registration opens for each seminar, please sign up to our [mailing list](#).

Thursday 16 September: **Risk and Uncertainty in the Seventeenth-Century Dutch Republic**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Mark Hup (Peking): Life Annuities and Adverse Selection: The Case of Early Modern Holland

Bram Hilken (Erasmus University Rotterdam): Living off the Land? An Empirical Investigation of Land and Lease Distribution in Central Holland, 1600-1700

Thursday 21 October: **Maritime Risk and Uncertainty I**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Mallory Hope (Yale): Marine Insurance and Slave Trading in the French Atlantic

Antonio Iodice (Exeter/Genoa): Sharing Risks: General Average and Maritime Perils in the Western Mediterranean, 1500-1700

Jake Dyble (Exeter/Pisa): Risk Sharing, Economic Culture, and the 'Little Divergence': Maritime Averages in Tuscany and England

Thursday 4 November: **Religious Ritual, Risk and Uncertainty**, 17:00-18:45 (London time)

Emily Hurt (Yale): *Voveo vobis templa ludosque facturum*: The *evocatio* and Risk Management

David Harrap (Queen Mary University of London): 'May every enemy power, every adversity, every calamity be far removed from Her': Liturgical Responses to the Perils of the Sea during the Middle Ages

Thursday 11 November: **Maritime Risk and Uncertainty II**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Phillip Reid (independent historian): Rational Strategies for Managing Maritime Risk in the Early Modern Atlantic

Germán Jiménez Montes (Groningen): Belonging to the Sea: Migration and Trade in Early Modern Spain

Thursday 2 December (16:30-18:15): **Times of Crisis**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Emma Prevignano (Cambridge): Working for the Long-Term in Times of Crisis: The Metric System Project during the French Revolution (1790–1796)

Felipe Moraga (Wisconsin-Madison): Threatening Fiction: News Reports of Sightings of Ghastly Creatures in Seventeenth-Century Spain
