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from the Sixteenth to the Mid-Twentieth Century


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## Programme

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### Thursday 5th of March

- 09h00-09h30**      **Welcome and Introduction**  
G rard B aur, Rosa Congost, Laurent Herment, Luigi Lorenzetti, Pablo F. Luna
- 09h30-12h30**      **The three paradigmatic patterns, Chair Luigi Lorenzetti**
- 09h30-10h00**      **The "English model" of agricultural development, c. 1500-1850**  
Mark Overton, University of Exeter (United Kingdom)
- 10h00-10h30**      **Little farming. A way to resist to agrarian crisis (1850-1900)**  
Laurent Herment, CNRS-CRH, (France)
- Coffee Break**
- 11h00-11h30**      **Between the agrarian dualism: the example of Saxony**  
Martina Schattkowsky, Institut f r S chsische Geschichte und Volkskunde, (Germany)
- 11h30-12h30**      **Discussant Pablo F. Luna, and General discussion**
- Dinner**
- 14h00-18h00**      **The diversity of growth in the long run, Chair Laurent Herment**
- 14h00-14h30**      **Uncertainties of growth. Revisiting the French model of agricultural development in the European context**  
G rard B aur, CNRS & EHESS, CRH, Paris (France), Jean-Michel Chevet, INRA (France)
- 14h30-15h00**      **Agrarian reform in Greece Revisited (1871-1928). Historical conjuncture and literary representations of the agrarian question**  
Catherine Bregianni, Academy of Athenes (Grece)
- 15h00-15h30**      **Discussant Luigi Lorenzetti**
- Coffee Break**
- 16h00-16h30**      **The various diverging paths characterizing agricultural growth in the prealpine/alpine regions and the lowlands of Switzerland: time lags and structural impact (18th-20th centuries)**  
Anne-Lise Head-K nig, University of Gen ve (Switzerland)
- 16h30-17h00**      **Aggregate growth of output and average labour productivity in German agriculture, c. 1500-1875**  
Ulrich Pfister, University of M nster (Germany)
- 17h00-17h30**      **Discussant Luigi Lorenzetti, and General discussion**

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## Friday 6th of March

- 9h30-12h00**      **Some alternative models, Chair Gérard Béaur**
- 9h30-10h00**      **A world of towns and countrysides. Tuscany as a peculiar system of agrarian development, late XIV- XIX centuries**  
Giuliana Biagioli, University of Pisa (Italy)
- 10h00-10h30**      **Going back in time. Preconditions of the Danish growth path in the late 19th century: resources and institutions**  
Ingrid Henriksen, University of Southern Denmark (Denmark)
- Coffee Break**
- 11h00-11h30**      **Vines, corn and irrigation. The Routes of agricultural growth in Spain (XVIIth-XIXth centuries)**  
Llorenç Ferrer Alos, University of Barcelona (Spain)
- 11h30-12h**        **Discussant Rosa Congost, and General discussion**
- Dinner**
- 14h00-18h00**      **The roots of growth (1), Institutions and market, Chair Rosa Congost**
- 14h00-14h30**      **The Spanish agricultural growth: between the foreign market and domestic demand, 1800-2000**  
Vicente Pinilla, University of Zaragoza (Spain)
- 14h30-15h00**      **The associative path and the International Institute of Agriculture at the beginning of the 20th century**  
Niccolò Mignemi, EHESS, CRH, Paris & Ecole française de Rome (France/Italy)
- 15h00-15h30**      **Discussant Laurent Herment**
- Coffee Break**
- 16h00-16h30**      **Land and water: the development of agriculture in the Dutch coastal provinces, 1500-1900**  
Piet van Cruyningen, University of Wageningen (Netherlands)
- 16h30-17h00**      **Discussant Laurent Herment, and General discussion**

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## Saturday 7th of March

- 09h00-12h30**      **The roots of growth (2), Property and landholding, Chair Pablo F. Luna**
- 09h00-09h30**      **“Liberal” laws and property rights on land. The Spanish case in a comparative perspective**  
Rosa Congost, University of Girona (Spain)
- 09h30-10h00**      **Productivity, overproduction and enclosure in eighteenth-century England**  
Richard Hoyle, University of Reading (United Kingdom)
- Coffee Break**
- 11h00-12h00**      **Discussant Gérard Béaur, and General discussion**
- 12h00-12h30**      **Conclusion Nadine Vivier**  
**Final discussion and perspectives**