

ISECS 2015
Fourteenth International Congress for Eighteenth-Century Studies
OPENING MARKETS

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The Fourteenth International Congress for Eighteenth-Century Studies
Opening Markets, Trade and Commerce in the Eighteenth Century
Erasmus University Rotterdam, July 26-July 31, 2015

The Congress of the International Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies (ISECS) is the world's largest Eighteenth-Century meeting, and takes place every four years. Recent ISECS congresses have been held in Dublin (1999), Los Angeles (2003), Montpellier (2007) and Graz (2011).

The 2015 ISECS Congress will be organized in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, from 26 to 31 July 2015. The Congress is organized by the Organizing Committee of Dutch-Belgian Society of Eighteenth-Century Studies (DBSECS - *Werkgroep 18e Eeuw*) and is hosted by the Erasmus University Rotterdam on Campus Woudestein. We can welcome more than thousand participants.

The theme of the fourteenth ISECS Congress is *Opening Markets*. The Congress will include theme-related sessions as well as plenary sessions featuring invited speakers. Besides the theme-related sessions, panel sessions will be organized on all topics relevant and related to the long Eighteenth-Century.

The Congress will be organized into parallel sessions and round tables with keynotes elaborating on the subtopics. The Congress will facilitate poster presentations. An International Committee made up of members of the Organizing Committee and scholars from scientific institutes and universities in the world coordinates the scientific program.

We are looking forward to intense and inspiring discussions and debates around the theme and related topics. Discuss with colleagues from all over the world and beyond your perspective and research - don't miss the chance!

The online registration is divided into three phases:

- Submission of proposals for panel sessions and round table sessions,
- Submission of proposals for individual papers or poster presentations,
- Individual registration of participants.

In this *First Announcement* we invite you, your organization, society or institute to propose online Panel sessions and Round Table sessions.

In May 2014 we shall distribute our *Second Call* and invite individual scholars and experts to submit online proposals for papers and poster presentations and for pre-registration for the Congress.

In August 2014 we shall distribute our *Third Call* and open the online Registration for all persons interested to participate in the program of the ISECS 2015 Congress.

Don't hesitate to distribute this call among interested colleagues and networks! If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact the local host committee via info@isecs2015.com and visit the congress website www.isecs2015.com.

Online registration on the website of the Congress: www.ISECS2015.com
REGISTRATION.

Submit your proposal for panel sessions before July 1, 2014.

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