



The Eastern European Economic History Initiative

**WEast workshop:
'Understanding the economic past of Eastern Europe'**

Faculty of Humanities at the Pedagogical University of Cracow

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Keynote speakers:

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CALL FOR PAPERS

Deadline: 1 January 2019

One of the biggest challenges faced by the social sciences is to understand why certain regions of the world have become richer than others. Economic history can provide valuable insights. To broaden our understanding of both past and present drivers of prosperity, the participant of the workshop will share ideas about the unique historical circumstances of the Central, Eastern, and South-Eastern European Countries. These new insights can be drawn from examining their tumultuous and complex histories, as well as their untapped sources of historical data. This may concern several developmental factors, endowments, geography, institutions, and even culture, in different time periods.

The prime objective of the WEast workshop in Cracow is to facilitate communication between scholars from the 'East' and the 'West' working in the broad realm of Eastern European economic and social history in order to share their research and to encourage exchange of knowledge about available sources of data and state-of-the-art methodologies.

In this spirit, organizers from the Faculty of Humanities at the Pedagogical University of Cracow invite both graduate students and established researchers to submit their scientific work. We welcome research dealing with any aspects of the economic and social history of Central Eastern, and South-Eastern Europe. Both quantitative and qualitative approaches to the problem are welcome.

Scholars wishing to participate should email an extended abstract (max 2 pages) along with a short academic CV to Bartosz Ogórek (bartosz.ogorek@up.krakow.pl) no later than 1 January 2019. Selected participants will be informed by 1 February. There is no participation fee for this meeting, but participants are expected to cover their own costs of travel, and accommodation. Successful young applicants whose universities are unable to cover travel expenses can apply for a small WEast travel allowance sponsored by the European Historical Economics Society.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Bartosz Ogórek (bartosz.ogorek@up.krakow.pl) or Mikołaj Malinowski (m.malinowski@uu.nl).

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