

News

National Inventors Hall of Fame

The National Inventors Hall of Fame announced the next group of world-class inventors to be inducted into its ranks, continuing its commitment to honor invention and innovation. This year's influential class includes inventors such as Nick Holonyak, Jr., who invented the first visible LED; Calvin Fuller, Gerald Pearson, and Daryl Chapin, who together created the first practical solar cell that converted solar energy into electrical power; and Amar Bose, whose pioneering work in acoustics technology is developed at the company that bears his name. [Read more...](#)

[Business History Highlights in March](#)

March 1, 1914 - Henry Colijn (Dutch Secretary of War) is named director of British Petroleum.

March 6, 1899 - Aspirin is patented by German researchers Felix Hoffman and Hermann Dreser.

March 12, 1987 - The Dow Jones Industrial Average welcomes Coca-Cola and the Boeing Company to its ranks, and drops Inco Ltd and Owens-Illinois Glass.

March 16, 1915 - The Federal Trade Commission, devised in 1914, begins its operations.

March 24, 1720 - In Paris, banking houses close due to financial crisis.

Business and Labour History Group

March Activities

The Business and Labour History Group, University of Sydney hosts two events presented by Professor Joe Martin of the Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto: "[The Evolution of Capitalism in Canada and Australia in the 20th Century](#)" (March 10, 2008) and "[Why Business History is Important](#)" (March 14, 2008).

North Carolina Association of Historians

Annual Meeting

The [North Carolina Association of Historians](#) holds its annual meeting at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke on March 28, 2008 and welcomes proposals in any field of history.

3rd Otago Workshop in International Trade

Co-Sponsored by Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade

The Department of Economics at the University of Otago hosts the [3rd Otago Workshop in International Trade](#) on March 28 and 29, 2008. Keynote speakers are Kym Anderson (University of Adelaide, and World Bank) and Keith Maskus (University of Colorado at Boulder).

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OAH 101st Annual Meeting

Transportation, and Proscribed Purchases

There may be panels assembled on the [history of transportation in American life](#) and on "[banned, restricted and subversive consumption in U.S. history](#)" for the [101st Annual Meeting of the Organization of American Historians \(OAH\)](#) from March 28 to 31, 2008 in New York.

Strategies for Sustained Growth & Development

EU and LA Compared

The International Association for Comparative Economic Studies' 8th Arnoldshain Seminar is [Designing Strategies for Sustained Growth and Development: EU and LA Compared](#) from March 31 to April 4, 2008 in São Paulo, Brazil.

China's Three Decades of Economic Reform (1978-2008)

The 19th annual conference of the Chinese Economic Association (UK), [China's Three Decades of Economic Reform \(1978-2008\)](#), takes place April 1-2, 2008 at the University of Cambridge.

Beyond the Shop:

Acquisition & Exchange Outside the Formal Market

[Beyond the Shop: Acquisition and Exchange Outside the Formal Market](#) is the Centre for the History of Retailing and Distribution's workshop on April 2, 2008 at the University of Wolverhampton (UK).

Marketing a "Shareholders' Democracy" 1919-1929

On April 4, 2008 the Market Cultures Group NYC presents [Marketing a "Shareholders' Democracy," 1919-1929](#) in conjunction with the NYU Stern School of Business Financial History Seminar Series.

BHC Dissertation Colloquium

Limited to 10 Students

The Business History Conference (BHC) holds its [Newcomen Dissertation Colloquium](#) on April 9 & 10 in conjunction with the 2008 BHC annual meeting. The intensive workshop is intended for doctoral candidates in the early stages of their dissertation projects.

The [Business History Conference's 2008 annual meeting](#) on April 10-12 is hosted by the California State University at Sacramento. Its theme is "Expanding Connections for Business History," with the goal of reaching across disciplines and audiences.

Central Banking in 19th-Century Belgium

History, Economics, and the Economy

[Central Banking in 19th-century Belgium: Was the National Bank of Belgium a lender of last resort?](#) on April 14, 2008 at the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan (France) is part of the H2S seminar program on History, Economics, and the Economy.

Flows of People and Money

Past, Present and Future

The [XXXIInd Political Economy of the World-System \(PEWS\) Conference](#) of the American Sociological Association's Section on PEWS takes place April 24-26, 2008 at Fairfield University, Connecticut with the theme "Flows of People and Money across the World-System."

John Sutter and His World

57th California History Institute

John Muir Center, University of the Pacific hosts the 57th California History Institute, April 25 & 26, 2008 on "[John A. Sutter and His World](#)" with special interest in papers connecting Sutter to broader issues in California and Western history.

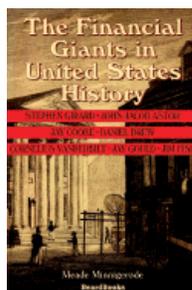
Economic Expertise in the NYT and WSJ in 1971-1974

[Writing About the Dollar: Economic Expertise in the New York Times and Wall Street Journal in 1971-74](#) on May 13, 2008 at the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan (France) is part of the H2S seminar program on History, Economics, and the Economy.

Policy History Conference

Three Plenary Sessions

The *Journal of Policy History* is holding a [Conference on Policy History](#) at the Sheraton Clayton Plaza in St. Louis from May 29 to June 1, 2008. All topics concerning history, development and implementation of public policy, American political development, and comparative historical analysis will be considered.



7th Asia Pacific Forum for Graduate Students' Research in Tourism

The [7th Asia Pacific Forum for Graduate Students' Research in Tourism](#) in Selangor, Malaysia on June 3-4, 2008 provides a forum based on a range of topics related to tourism and hospitality management, and to the theme Advances in Tourism Practices: Pointing the Way Forward.

2nd Annual Conference on the History of Recent Economics

Papers on the post-WWII era are preferred for the [2nd Annual Conference on the History of Recent Economics \(HISRECO\)](#) at the Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal from June 5-7, 2008.

The Historical Society's 2008 Conference

U.S. Labor History

The Historical Society's 6th conference June 5-8, 2008 at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland has a session on [Globalization, American Working-Class Activism, and New Directions in U.S. Labor History](#).

The Newspaper and the Culture of Print in the Early American Republic

The American Antiquarian Society (AAS) holds its Summer Seminar in the History of the Book in American Culture at the AAS in Worcester, Massachusetts from June 18 through 23, 2008. The seminar entitled "[The Newspaper and the Culture of Print in the Early American Republic](#)" is of interest to scholars whose work deals with the business aspects of mass communication.



Banking, Insurance and the Public Sector: Empirical Experience and Policy Advice

The Potsdam Summer Academy on "[Banking, Insurance and the Public Sector: Empirical Experience and Policy Advice](#)" is from June 30th to July 25, 2008.

HES 35th Annual Conference

Sessions Begin on Saturday, June 28

The History of Economics Society (HES) holds its [35th Annual Conference](#) at York University in Toronto, Canada from June 27 to 30, 2008.

Monetary and Financial Economics

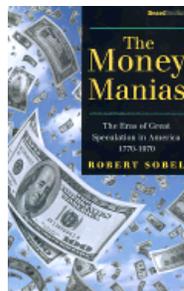
6th Workshop

The "[Monetary and Financial Economics](#)" workshop in Halle (Saale), Germany on July 3 and 4, 2008 offers a forum particularly for PhD students and post-doc researchers to present theoretical or empirical papers to a competent audience.

Business History after Chandler

Alfred DuPont Chandler Jr. (1918-2007)

On July 4-5, 2008 the Association of Business Historians hold their annual meeting ([Business History after Alfred Chandler](#)) at the University of Birmingham. Professor Leslie Hannah is keynote speaker ("American Whigs and the Business History of Europe").



3rd MIBES Conference

Selected Papers to Be Published in MTOL

The [Management of International Business and Economics Systems \(MIBES\) 3rd conference](#) on July 4 to 5, 2008 is organized by the Department of Business Administration, School of Business and Economics, Technological Institute of Larissa (Greece). Selected papers are to be published in the *MIBES Transactions On-Line Journal*.

"Laws of Chaos" in the 21st Century

Probabilistic Political Economy

[Probabilistic Political Economy: "Laws of Chaos" in the 21st Century](#) on July 14-17, 2008 at Kingston University (UK) celebrates 25 years since the publication of the book by Emmanuel Farjoun and Moshé Machover.

Transactions and Interactions

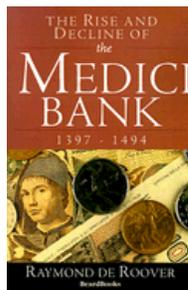
Flow of Goods, Services and Information

The theme of the [European Business History Association \(EBHA\) 12th annual conference](#) in Bergen, Norway from August 21 to 23, 2008 is Transactions and Interactions - The Flow of Goods, Services and Information.

Comparative History of European Cities

9th International Conference on Urban History

[Comparative History of European Cities](#) is the 9th International Conference on Urban History, to be held in Lyon (France), August 27-30, 2008. One of the main sessions is European Ports and Resorts 1700-2000.



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