



ETHICS & EMPIRE II: (MOSTLY) THE MEDIEVAL PERIOD



A COLLOQUIUM AT CHRIST CHURCH, OXFORD

20-21 June 2019



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(Mostly) The Medieval Period**

South West Lodgings, Christ Church, Oxford
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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 20 JUNE

1000-1025: coffee

1025-1030: Welcome

1030-1115: **Session I: Resumé of Ethics & Empire I**

Speaker: Nigel Biggar

1115-1245: **Session II: Thucydides and the Athenian Empire**

Chair: Robin Lovin

Speaker: Roger Brock

Respondent: Paul Cartledge

1245-1400: lunch

1400-1530: **Session III: The Byzantine Empire**

Chair: Zareer Masani

Speaker: James Howard-Johnston

Respondent: Jonathan Shepherd

1530-1700: **Session IV: The Holy Roman Empire**

Chair: Carole Hillenbrand

Speaker: Len Scales

Respondent: Stuart Airlie

1700-1730: tea

1730-1830: **Session V: Towards a Theory of Empire**

Chair: Nigel Biggar

Speaker: Robert Jackson

1900: dinner at the Cherwell Boathouse Restaurant

FRIDAY, 21 June

0900-1030: **Session VI: Arab and Turkish Empires**

Chair: Krishan Kumar

Speaker: Carole Hillenbrand

Respondent: Christian Sahner

1030-1100: coffee

1100-1230: **Session VII: Mongol Empire**

Chair: Alexander Morrison

Speaker: Peter Jackson

Respondent: David Morgan

1230: close of colloquium

1400-1530: Core Group planning meeting

PARTICIPANTS

- Stuart Airlie, Senior Lecturer in History, University of Glasgow, and author of *Power and its Problems in Carolingian Europe* (2012)
- Ali Ansari, Professor in Modern History (Middle East), St Andrews University, and author of *The Politics of Nationalism in Modern Iran* (2012)
- Yaqoob Bangash, Assistant Professor in Modern History, Information Technology University, Lahore, and author of *A Princely Affair: The Accession and Integration of the Princely States of Pakistan, 1947—55* (2015)
- Nigel Biggar, Regius Professor of Moral and Pastoral Theology, and Director of the McDonald Centre for Theology, Ethics, and Public Life, University of Oxford, and author of *Between Kin and Cosmopolis: An Ethic of the Nation* (2014)
- Roger Brock, Senior Lecturer in Classic, University of Leeds, and author of *Greek Political Imagery* (2013)
- Paul Cartledge, A. G. Leventis Professor Emeritus of Greek Culture, University of Cambridge, and author of *Ancient Greek Political Thought in Practice* (2009)
- Dafydd Daniel, McDonald Lecturer in Christian Ethics, University of Oxford
- Brad Faught, Professor of History and Global Studies, Tyndale University College, Toronto, and author of *Into Africa: The Imperial Life of Margery Perham* (2012)
- Eric Gregory, Professor of Religion and Chair of the Council of the Humanities, Princeton University, and author of *Politics and the Order of Love: An Augustinian Ethic of Democratic Citizenship* (2008)
- Carole Hillenbrand, Professor of Islamic History, University of St Andrews, and Emerita Professor of Islamic History, University of Edinburgh; author of *The Crusades: Islamic Perspectives* (1999)
- Joshua Hordern, Associate Professor of Christian Ethics, University of Oxford, and author of *Political Affections: Civic Participation and Moral Theology* (2013)
- James Howard-Johnston, former University Lecturer in Byzantine Studies, University of Oxford, and author of *Historical Writing in Byzantium* (2014).
- Lawrence James, author of *The Rise and Fall of the British Empire* (1994), *Raj: the making and unmaking of British India* (1997), and *Empires in the Sun: the struggle for the mastery of Africa* (2016)
- Peter Jackson, Professor of Medieval History, Keele University, and author of *The Mongols and the Islamic World from Conquest to Conversion* (2017)
- Robert Jackson, Quondam Fellow of All Souls, former Member of Parliament for Wantage and former Special Adviser to the Governor of Rhodesia
- Krishan Kumar, William R. Kenan, Jr, Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia, and author of *Visions of Empire: How Five Imperial Regimes Shaped the World* (2017)
- Marc LiVecche, McDonald Visiting Scholar and editor of *Providence* magazine
- Robin Lovin, Cary M. Maguire University Professor Emeritus of Ethics, Southern Methodist University, and author of *Reinhold Niebuhr and Christian Realism* (1995) and *Christian Realism and the New Realities* (2008)
- Zareer Masani, author of *Macaulay: Britain's Liberal Imperialist* (2012) and *Indian Tales of the Raj* (1987)
- Charles Mathewes, Carolyn M. Barbour Professor of Religious Studies, University of Virginia; author of *The Republic of Grace: Augustinian thoughts in dark times* (2010); co-editor of *Comparative Religious Ethics: the major works* (2015)
- David Morgan, Professor Emeritus of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and author of *The Mongols* (1986, 2007)
- Alexander Morrison, Fellow and Tutor in History, New College, University of Oxford, and author of *Russian Rule in Samarkand, 1868-1910* (2008)
- Ashley Moyse, McDonald Post-doctoral Fellow in Christian Ethics and Public Life, University of Oxford

- Christian Sahner, Associate Professor of Islamic History, University of Oxford, and author of *Among the Ruins: Syria, Past and Present* (2014)
- Muhammad Sami, student in the M.St. in the Study of Religion at the University of Oxford
- Len Scales, Professor of Late Medieval History, University of Durham, and author of *The Shaping of German Identity: Authority and Crisis, 1245-1414* (2012)
- Jonathan Shepard, former University Lecturer in Russian History, University of Cambridge, and editor of the *Cambridge History of the Byzantine Empire, c. 500-1492* (2008)
- Nicholas Wood, Dean and Tutorial Fellow in Religion and Culture, Regent's Park College, Oxford

DIRECTIONS

Christ Church (South-West Lodgings), Oxford, OX1 1DP

The venue is shown as **A** on the map below.



By Car

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By Train

There are regular, direct trains from London to Oxford departing from London Paddington. It is a short (15-minute) walk from the station to the college.

Further information can be found here: <http://www.thetrainline.com/buytickets/>

By Bus

There is a direct and very regular coach service between London and Oxford departing from London Victoria. The point of disembarkation closest to Christ Church is the 'St Aldate's' stop.

Further information can be found here: <http://www.oxfordtube.com/londontube.php>

Contact

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