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# INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

## In the Footsteps of Decision Making: Group Interests and Sociability in Pre-Modern Politics



21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of April, 2023

Academy of Sciences, hall 205,  
(Národní 1009, Prague 1)

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# 21 APRIL

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8:00.- Registration.

8:30.- Opening: Alberto Moreno Humet (Spanish Ambassador in Czech Republic) and Martin Holý (Director of the Institute of History of the Czech Academy of Sciences).

9:00.- Keynote: Liesbeth Geever (Lund University): *Negotiating Nepotism: Appointing Relatives in the Spanish Habsburg Monarchy.*

## Panel 1: Kinship groups and family relations

9:45.- Pavel Marek (University of Pardubice): *La formación de redes de poder en la Europa de los Habsburgo. Los Pernstein y el Reino de Nápoles.*

10:05.- Anastazja Grudnicka (European University Institute): *Between the Individual and the Collective Self: Holy Roman Emperor Matthias I, Habsburg Dynasty, and Decision-Making in the Confessional Age.*

10:25.- Alfonso Patón Roldán (Complutense University of Madrid): *The imperial declaration of contumacy of Isabella d'Appiano and the succession of the principality of Piombino.*

10:45.- Discussion.

11:00.- Coffee Break.

## Panel 2: Princely Courts and centers of decision-making

11:30.- Manuel Rivero Rodríguez (Autonomous University of Madrid): *Madrid Royal Court as a Space of Negotiation.*

11:50.- Fabian Persson (Linnaeus University): *Far from the Madding Crowd: Swedish Rulers and Places of Decision Making.*

12:10.- Quinten Somsen (Leiden University): *Court Elites in Hesse-Kassel and the Dutch Republic: Diverging Roles and Strategies.*

12:30.- Discussion.

12:45.- Lunch Break.

## Panel 3: Factions and patron-client groups

14:30.- José Martínez Millán (Autonomous University of Madrid): *The contradictions in the factions and power groups: the case of Mateo Vazquez de Leca*

14:50.- Marie-Cécile Pineau (University of Nantes): *Factions and clientele in Rome: the ambassador as a relay of French clientage (Charles de Neufville, 1605-1608).*

15:10.- Emily Deelen Porta (Complutense University of Madrid): *Beyond Royalty: Confessors, Ambassadors and Ladies-in-waiting as agents in the dynamics of the Austrian Party during the reign of Philip III.*

15:30.- Rostislav Smíšek (University of South Bohemia): *The Dietrichstein Faction at the Imperial Court in Vienna at the Turn of the 17th and 18th Centuries.*

15:55.- Discussion.

16:10.- Coffee Break.

## Panel 4: Money, institutions and social struggle

16:40.- Carlos Javier de Carlos Morales (Autonomous University of Madrid): *Bankers and Royal Treasury: Financial Negotiations at the Court of Madrid.*

17:00.- Pablo Cañón García (European University Institute): *War, Peace, and Trade. Negotiating Safety and Mobility in the Iberian Atlantic during the 17th Century.*

17:20.- Juan José Jiménez Sánchez (University of Seville): *Order during disorder: Aims, relationship with institutions and organisation of the mutineers during the popular revolts in southern Castile (1647-1652).*

17:40.- Discussion.

## 22 APRIL

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### Panel 5: Female strategies in political fields

8:30.- Registration.

9:00.- María Victoria López-Cordón Cortezo (Complutense University of Madrid): *Las casas de las reinas: Un estado de la cuestión.*

9:20.- María De Los Ángeles Pérez Samper (University of Barcelona): *La Princesa de los Ursinos: Una camarera extranjera en el alcázar de Madrid.*

9:40.- Gloria Á. Franco Rubio (Complutense University of Madrid): *María Isidra de la Cerda y Guzmán. Las funciones de una camarera mayor en Madrid y los Sitios Reales.*

10:00.- Coffee Break.

10:30.- Natalia González Heras (Complutense University of Madrid): *The Marquise of San Juan de Piedras Albas: A Female Cursus Honorum at Madrid Royal Palace.*

10:50.- Caroline Fish (Purdue University): *An Independent Ambassador: Francisca de Zúñiga, Marquise of Mirabel, and Female Negotiation in Marie de Médici's Exile in the Spanish Low Countries, 1631.*

11:10.- Discussion.

### Panel 6: Intelligence and information networks

11:25.- Maxim Hoffman (Ghent University): *A Sisyphean task. Information gathering at the French court by Queen Eleonore and her courtiers (1530-1548).*

11:45.- Kateřina Pražáková (University of South Bohemia): *The Intelligence Network of the Elector of Saxony in Prague 1618-1620 (agents, diplomats, and their relationships).*

12:05.- Ainoa Chinchilla Galarzo (National Distance Education University/Complutense University of Madrid): *Changes in the diplomatic strategies of Carlos IV thanks to the use of secret agents and spies.*

12:25.- Final Discussion.