# CALL FOR PAPERS

***Scotland, Europe and Empire in the Age of***

***Adam Smith and Beyond***

**26th Annual Conference of the**

**Eighteenth-Century Scottish Studies Society**

**and**

**The International Adam Smith Society**

**3–6 July 2013**

## University of Paris, Sorbonne

Hosted by the Centre Roland Mousnier–UMR 8596 CNRS

ECSSS returns to Europe for the first time in six years when it holds its 2013 conference in Paris, jointly sponsored by the International Adam Smith Society. The conference organizer is Jean-François Dunyach of the Sorbonne’s Centre Roland Mousnier.

The theme of the conference is eighteenth-century empire. What role did Scotland play in the British Empire (and other empires), from the Americas in the west to Asia in the east? How did Scots interact with Europeans at home and abroad? How was the concept of empire theorized in the emerging, largely Scottish discipline of political economy, especially in the work of Adam Smith? How was the theme of empire addressed in novels, plays, and other works of imaginary literature, as well as in travel literature, religious and philosophical works, and other genres? The conference will also include papers on the later impact of Adam Smith’s thought, especially on empire. As at all ECSSS conferences, proposals for papers and panels on other aspects of eighteenth-century Scottish culture and history will also be welcome.

The conference will kick off on Wednesday 3 July with a plenary lecture by Emma Rothschild of Harvard and Cambridge Universities, on “Overseas at Home: France and Scotland in the Eighteenth Century.” This will be followed by three days of concurrent panels as well as additional plenary lectures. There will also be a concert by the Sorbonne Scholars (Thursday); a visit to Le Musée Carnavalet—the museum of the history of Paris—followed by a buffet (Friday); and a conference dinner at Paris’s oldest restaurant, the famous Le Procope (Saturday). Thanks to generous support from the Sorbonne, all of this will be included in the comprehensive registration fee of €135 (€110 for graduate students, retirees, and guests). A link to further details will be available by late October on the ECSSS website, [www.ecsss.org](http://www.ecsss.org).

Places for this conference are limited, and we expect them to fill up quickly. Please e-mail a title and one-page description of your proposed 3-person panel or 20-minute paper, along with a one-page cv, to the executive director of ECSSS, Richard B. Sher ([sher@njit.edu](mailto:sher@njit.edu)), no later than **1 December 2012**.