

Debt, Democracy, Citizenship
A Political History of Public Debts
(Europe and the United States, from the Late Eighteenth Century)

Symposium – Monday 24 June 2013
Sciences Po, salle Jean Monnet, 56 rue Jacob, 75006 Paris

Conveners: Nicolas Barreyre (EHESS) – Nicolas Delalande (Sciences Po)

Program

- 9h-9:30am: Welcome and introduction (Nicolas Barreyre, Nicolas Delalande)
- 9:30-11am: **Public Debt and the Making of Citizenship**
 - Patrik Winton (Uppsala Universitet), “Government borrowing and the growth of citizenship in Sweden, 1760-1776”
 - Noam Maggor (Vanderbilt University), “The ‘money machines’ revisited: urban public finance in the era of property taxation”
 - Julia Ott (New School for Social Research), “‘Be a shareholder in victory’: the American citizen-investor in World War I”
- 11:30am-12:30pm: **The State and Financial Markets**
 - Benjamin Lemoine (Sciences Po) and Roi Livne (Berkeley University), “Public debt management techniques and the making of state agency. France, Israel and the financialization of government debts”
 - Yohann Aucante (EHESS), “Private debt, public debt and political responsibilities in the 2008 financial crisis in Iceland”
- 12:30-1pm: General discussion
- 2:30-3:30pm: **Democracy, Authoritarianism and Public Debt**
 - Stephen Sawyer (American University of Paris), “Adolphe Thiers and the payment of the Franco-Prussian war reparations”
 - Adam Tooze (Yale University), “Hitler’s Third Reich and the puzzle of authoritarian public debt”
- 3:30-4:30pm: **Foreign Bondholders and National Sovereignty**
 - Robert Radu (Rostock Universität), “Public debts and public opinion. The role of the European Press in Italy’s late nineteenth century financial crisis (1889-1894)”
 - Tassos Anastasiadis (McGill University), “It’s all Greek to me! Foreign actors’ perceptions of elites and democratic governance while dealing with debt control in three Greek crises (1898, 1922, 1947)”
- 5-6pm: **Conclusion**
 - ” Nicolas Barreyre et Nicolas Delalande: “The political history of public debt: where are we at?”

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