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## WORKSHOP



# RELIGIOUS ERUDITION IN THE TROPICS MISSIONARIES AND THEIR VISIONS OF EMPIRE IN THE EARLY-MODERN IBERIAN WORLDS

London / Madrid  
June 8-9, 2021

University College London  
Universidad Complutense de Madrid

## PROGRAM

June 8

3pm-3.30pm (GMT) / 16-16.30h (Madrid)

### Welcome and Opening remarks

Federico PALOMO (UCM) and Zoltán BIEDERMANN (UCL)

3.30pm-5pm (GMT) / 16.30-18.00h (Madrid)

### SPIRITUAL CONQUESTS: IMAGINING MISSIONARY EMPIRES

Chair: Pedro CARDIM (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)

**Julia MCCLURE** (University of Glasgow) - *Empire of Power and Pain: The Franciscan promotion of penitential confraternities in the New World*

**Carlos Martín GÁLVEZ PEÑA** (PUCP, Lima) - *Writing history in 17th Century Peru: martyrdom and frontier in the work of Giovanni Anello Oliva S.J. (1574-1642)*

**Nuno SENOS** (Universidade Nova de Lisboa) - *A Global Seraphic Empire: From Brazil to the World*

Discussant: **Simon DITCHFIELD** (University of York)

June 9

9am-10.15am (GMT) / 10-11.15h (Madrid)

### IMAGES OF ALIEN EMPIRES: PRE-JESUIT PERCEPTIONS

Chair: Guillermo WILDE (CONICET-Universidad Nacional de San Martín)

**Zoltán BIEDERMANN** (UCL) - *Kingship in Francisco Álvares's Verdadeira Informação and Bartolomé de las Casas' Apologética Historia*

**Diego SOLA** (Universitat de Barcelona) - *The China of the Catholic King: Iberian visions and sinological texts in the 16th century*

Discussant: **Antonella ROMANO** (CAK-ÉHESS, Paris)

Break

10.30-11.45am (GMT) / 11.30-12.45h (Madrid)

### MISSIONARY PROJECTS AND VISIONS OF THE IBERIAN EMPIRES

Chair: **Sabina PAVONE** (Università di Macerata)

**Hélène VU THANH** (Université de Bretagne-Sud) - *Defending the Empire, funding the mission: The shifting discourse of the visitor Alessandro Valignano*

**Federico PALOMO** (UCM) - *Inmaculate empires, female visions: María Magdalena de la Cruz, her mystical writings and the Franciscan missionary politics in the Iberian frontiers of East Asia*

Discussant: **Ines G. ŽUPANOV** (CEIAS-CNRS, Paris)

Break

3pm-4.15pm (GMT) / 16-17.15h (Madrid)

### THINKING THE EMPIRE IN COLONIAL CONTEXTS

Chair: **Jorge FLORES** (CIUHCT-Universidade de Lisboa)

**Angela Barreto XAVIER** (Instituto de Ciências Sociais, Lisboa) - *The Prince and the Empire from a Goan perspective: Franciscan political writings during the government of King Afonso VI*

**Ananya CHAKRAVARTI** (Georgetown University) - *The Empire of Apostles: Portuguese Jesuits and a Religious Imagination of Empire in the 17th Century*

Discussant: **Fernando BOUZA** (UCM)

Break

4.30pm-5.30pm (GMT) / 17.30-18.30h (Madrid)

### PROJECT "TRÓPICOS LETRADOS"

**Ana Isabel LÓPEZ-SALAZAR CODES** (UCM) - Presentation of the Data Base *Religious erudition and Images of the Portuguese Empire*

Conclusion

**Zotlán BIEDERMANN** (UCL) and **Federico PALOMO** (UCM)