

Liberalism, Monarchy and Empire: Ambiguous Relationships. 10 February 2012

Venue: Montague Room (G26), Ground Floor, Senate House, London. **Places Limited:** Please register interest with deborah.toner@sas.ac.uk

Description: As a political philosophy, liberalism has been typically associated with the development of republicanism, popular sovereignty and electoral representation, and liberal movements often defined themselves in opposition to monarchical and imperial regimes. This workshop seeks to examine the ongoing currency of monarchical and imperialist ideas throughout the Americas, exploring the relationships—antagonistic, co-existent, and co-operative—between liberalism, monarchy and empire during the nineteenth century. The workshop will explore these issues in comparative context, featuring discussion of Mexico, Brazil, Haiti, and Colombia.

Programme

1.00-1.10pm Welcome and Introduction

1.10-2.40pm Panel 1: South America. Chair: Paulo Drinot (ISA), Commentator: Prof. Rebecca Earle (University of Warwick).

- Dr Matthew Brown (Bristol University), “Friendly and Fractious Relationships between Liberals, Monarchists, and Agents of Empire: Colombia 1828-29.”
- Prof. Anthony McFarlane (University of Warwick), “Princess Carlota Joaquina and the Monarchist Alternative in Spanish American Independence.”

2.40-3.00pm Tea/coffee break

3.00-4.30pm Panel 2: Mexico and the Caribbean. Chair: William Booth (ISA). Commentator: Prof. Alan Knight (St Antony’s College, Oxford).

- Dr Erika Pani (El Colegio de México), “Monarchism and Liberalism in Mexico’s Nineteenth Century.”
- Dr Philip Kaisary (University of Warwick), “The Haitian Revolution: Liberalism or Radical Universalism?”

4.30-5.00pm Tea/coffee break

5.00-6.30pm Plenary lecture (Senate Room): Dr Roderick Barman (University of British Columbia), “The Enigma of Liberalism in Imperial Brazil, 1822-1889.”

6.30pm Reception (Jessell Room)