

Call for Sessions - WEHC 2015 [S20105]

Proposed title of the session

Towards a Social History of Money

Abstract

Money is obviously a central aspect of economic history. Economic historians constantly calculate prices, wages, profits, etc.. This session (or rather these two sessions) will try to embed money in its social and cultural contexts. The social meaning of real wages requires, for instance, knowledge about the family economy (including the unpaid labour being done there) in which the wage earners embedded. How employers use profits depends not only on competitive pressures, but also on their cultural and religious values, etc.

This field is rather understudied. The session(s) therefore aim to explore a few aspects of the more general "problématique" and thus prepare larger-scale research projects.

The International Social History Association considers this approach as one way of strengthening the connections between economic and social history.

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