

Call for Papers to Session S20031

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■ Session Title

Title: Agriculture and economic development in the periphery, 19th and 20th centuries

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Deadline of the Call : date 15 month March year 2015

Guideline of the Call (title, abstract, full papers, limit of words, etc.) :

We welcome paper proposals for presentation in the session **Agriculture and economic development in the periphery, 19th and 20th centuries** (organized by Sandra Kunt and Vicente Pinilla). During the 1950s and 1960s most growth economists considered that agriculture played a negligible role in promoting economic development. This view, influenced by the impulse towards industrialization in the third world, has only seldom been revisited even though many recent studies have indicated the existence of positive relationships between agriculture and economic growth, by means of inter-sectoral links, technological and organizational improvements, or simply the exploitation of comparative advantages in the rural setting. Our session aims at analyzing the conditions of the agricultural sectors of countries or regions in the periphery, with or without international comparisons, at the onset of modern economic growth or while this process takes place, and the possible links between agriculture and the development process. Of particular interest is the analysis of changes in agricultural productivity and its relationship to per capita income levels in order to assess the possible contribution of the agricultural sector to economic growth. Also of interest is to analyze the relationships between agriculture and other economic sectors during this process.

Our time horizon are the 19th and 20th centuries, with particular interest in papers that refer to crucial moments of the development process in individual countries or regions or in a broader comparative perspective, particularly within peripheral countries. For example, in the first globalization, the contribution of agriculture to the development of countries like Australia, New Zealand or the American Southern Cone would be of great interest, without excluding other cases or regions. With the same purpose, in the second half of the twentieth century experiences of Asia, Africa or Latin America should be analyzed.

Remarks (number of expected acceptances, intent, purpose, etc.) :

We already have expected contributions on Africa (2), Asia (3), Latin America (5), the European periphery (2) and the World (2).

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