

Baltic Connections: A Conference in Social Science History

12–14 June 2024

Jyväskylä, *Seminaarinmäki* campus, Building S



Schedule

Wednesday 12 June		Thursday 13 June		Friday 14 June	
13:00	Registration	9:00	Registration	9:00	Registration
13:30	Sessions 1–3	9:00	Sessions 4–7	9:00	Sessions 15–18
15:00	Coffee	10:30	Coffee	10:30	Coffee
15:30	Opening remarks	11:00	Keynote: Naomi Lamoreaux	11:00	Sessions 19–21
16:00	Keynote: Matthias Kipping	12:00	Lunch	12:30	Lunch
17:00	Welcome get-together	13:00	Sessions 8–10	13:30	Keynote: Hanna Kuusi
		14:30	Coffee	14:30	Closing remarks
		15:00	Sessions 11–14	15:00	Coffee
		19:00	Conference dinner		

Program

Wednesday 12 June 2024

13.00 Registration, **Building S**

13:30–15:00 Parallel sessions 1–3

Session 1. Damaged goods: Crises, scarring and selection in individual level data / S203

Chair: Sakari Saaritsa (University of Helsinki)

Jarmo Peltola (University of Helsinki) and Leena Enbom (University of Helsinki).
Scarred City: Exploring Lifespan and Mortality Patterns among Former Civil War
Participants in Tampere Between 1917 and 1918

Tuuli Hurme (University of Helsinki). The Impact of the 1918 Finnish Civil War in
Child Health in Helsinki, Finland

Jarmo Peltola (University of Helsinki) and Sakari Saaritsa (University of
Helsinki). Selection, distribution and change in birth weights during crisis and
growth periods in an urban near-complete count data, 1921–1945

Session 2. Controlled colors: the trade and use of natural dyes as part of societal change in the Baltic Sea Area and beyond / S303

Chair: Riina Turunen (University of Jyväskylä)

Maare Paloheimo (University of Jyväskylä). Imported natural dyes and the dye
traders in early nineteenth century Finland

Susanna Niiranen (University of Jyväskylä). Renaissance textile dyes in Florence

Merja Uotila (University of Jyväskylä). Dye works and dyers in a highly
regulated environment, Finland ca. 1790-1850

Session 3. Resilience and Reconstruction: European Responses to War and Recovery/ *Tekniikan Waiheita* Fastrack / S304

Chair: Olli Turunen (University of Helsinki)

Juha-Matti Granqvist (University of Helsinki) and Sofia Gustafsson (University of
Helsinki). Finnish Officers and Civil Servants Building their Future after 1809

Jan Kunnas (University of Eastern Finland). Natural Barriers in an Insecure World.

Natalia Starostina (Oklahoma City University). Engines of Peace: Reimagining Europe in the Aftermath of Wars.

15.00–15.30 Coffee (served in **S 2nd floor and S204**)

15.30 Opening Remarks, Chair Heli Valtonen, **S212 (Vanha juhlasali)**

16.00–17.00 Keynote: **Matthias Kipping** (York University in Canada): *The duties of a historian: Why we need debates above all else*. **S212 (Vanha juhlasali)**

17.00 Welcome get-together **Boombox (Building M)**

Thursday 13 June 2024

9.00 Registration, **Building S**

9:00–10:30 Parallel sessions 4–7

Session 4. Famine in scales / H306

Chair: Henrik Forsberg (Umeå University)

Antti Häkkinen (University of Helsinki). The Great Finnish Famine of the 1860s: The process, experiences, and remembering

Henrik Forsberg (Umeå University). The Bothnian paradox: Regional diversity in the province of Wasa

Magnus Bohman (Kristianstad University) and Erling Häggström Gunfridsson (Umeå University). The demographics of a food supply crisis: Västerbotten in Northern Sweden in the 1860s

Elisabeth Engberg (Umeå University). Crisis at the local level: The case of rural Burträsk, 1851–1875

Session 5. Global Networks, Entrepreneurial Strategies, and Cooperative Models/ Scandinavian Economic History fast track I / S203

Chair: Laura Ekholm (University of Helsinki)

Carlos Brando (CESA). The Development of (Non)Imperial Early Telecommunications: Latin American and African/Asian Telegraphs, 1870-1913

Erik Lakomaa (Stockholm School of Economics) and Rickard Björnemalm (Stockholm University). Entrepreneurship and collusion. Voluntary Retail Chains in Sweden 1960-1990.

Olli Turunen (University of Helsinki). Finnish Efforts to Emulate Denmark's Cooperative Model and Agricultural Export Success in the Early 20th Century

Session 6. Social Mobility and Elite Persistence: Insights from Imperial Russia and Baltic Regions / S303

Chair: Sofia Gustafsson (University of Helsinki)

Tom Eeckhout (Ghent University) and Andrei Markevich (University of Helsinki) and Koen Schoors (Ghent University). Social Mobility in Times of Revolutions and Regime Changes - Persistence of Elites in 20th Century Russia

Saska Heino (Helsinki University). Firm Formation in the Tsarist Russian Empire: The Effect of the Polish Revolt

Heidi Rifk (Tallinn University). From Estate Society to a Democratic Nation-State: Changes in the Social Structure of the Baltic Germans from the Late 19th Century to the 1930s

Session 7. Exploring Belief Systems: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives / S304

Chair: Heli Valtonen (University of Jyväskylä)

Der-Yuan Yang (National Kaohsiung University of Science and Technology) and Yi-His Lee (Soochow University) and Tieqiang Li (Central China Normal University). On the Elements and Practices of Belief Formation: Past and Present

Henri Aaltonen (University of Helsinki). Some theoretical commonalities between European integration process and the Cults of Saints process. Connection through spill-over effect?

10.30–11.00 Coffee (**served in S 2nd floor and S204**)

11.00–12.00 Keynote: **Naomi Lamoreaux** (Yale University) *Reconciling Democracy and Capitalism: The Transition to General Laws in the US and Beyond*. **S212 The Seminarium assembly hall**

12.00–13.00 Lunch (**Restaurant Lozzi, P-building**)

13:00–14.30 Parallel sessions 8–10

Session 8. New approaches to Media History: Gender, Everyday Politics and Social Movements I / S203

Chair: Arja Turunen (University of Jyväskylä)

Aino Ollila (University of Jyväskylä) and Hannah Kaarina Yoken (University of Jyväskylä). Gendering the Everyday: The Finnish Publishing House Lehtimiehet oy

Anna Niiranen (University of Jyväskylä). (Un)natural Labour Pains? The Question of Pain Relief in Childbirth in the 1970s Finnish Press Pain relief in childbirth has always been a medico-culturally loaded and regulated question.

Lotta Leiwo (University of Helsinki). “Weathered” writings in socialist women’s newspaper Toveritar

Session 9. International Perspectives on Trade and Relief Efforts / S303

Chair: Eric Oakley (East Carolina University)

Andrei Markevich (University of Helsinki; NES) and Volha Charnysh (MIT) and Natalya Naumenko (George Mason University). American relief and the Soviet famine of 1921–22

Timo Tiainen (University of Jyväskylä). Long-term Finnish International Trade - from the 1550's onward

Lauri Karvonen (University of Jyväskylä). Standards, measures and measurements: Evaluating the volume of Swedish timber trade to Southern Europe in the eighteenth century

Session 10. Innovation, Consumption, and Environmental Perspectives / S304

Chair: Niklas Jensen-Eriksen (University of Helsinki)

Laura Ekholm (University of Helsinki) and Matleena Frisk (University of Helsinki). The breakthrough of synthetic fibres in the Finnish textile and garment industry: when, how and why?

Louise Bådholm (Uppsala University). The Floating Shopping Mall: Consumer Practices and Duty-Free Consumption on Viking Line and Silja Line Ferries 1959-1991

Viktor Pál (University of Ostrava). An Environmental History of Transboundary Rivers in Cold War East-Central Europe

14.30–15.00 Coffee (served in **S 2nd floor and S204**)

15:00–16:30 Parallel sessions 11–14

Session 11. Entrepreneurship, Economic Thought, and Development Strategies / Scandinavian Economic History Review Fastrack II / H306

Chair: Erik Lakomaa (Stockholm School of Economics)

Timo Särkkä (University of Jyväskylä) and Simon Mollan (University of York). What the failed development of papyrus-based industry in colonial Sudan can

tell us about Institutional support and entrepreneurialism in imperial-era international business

Ilja Kavonius (University of Helsinki). From Poverty to Meritocratic Capitalism – Finnish Households' Way to Prosperity after WWII

Session 12. New approaches to Media History: Gender, Everyday Politics and Social Movements II / S203

Chair: Arja Turunen (University of Jyväskylä)

Hannah Kaarina Yoken (University of Jyväskylä): Gendered and Transnational: The Finnish Anti-Nuclear Movement as Border-Crossing History

Jean Lukkarinen (University of Turku): Narrativity as a way of producing gender diversity in the Finnish media from the 1960s to the 2000s

Arja Turunen (University of Jyväskylä): "Men Are People Too!" Problems of men's social role in the sex role debate in the 1960s

Session 13. Economic Interconnections: Colonial Ventures, Bilateral Trade, and Diplomatic Relations / S303

Chair: Timo Tiainen (University of Jyväskylä)

Jeremy Land (University of Gothenburg) and Eric Oakley (East Carolina University). Colonial Charleston's Economic Entanglements with British North America and the Global Economy

Henric Häggqvist (Uppsala University) and Timo Tiainen (University of Jyväskylä). Swedish-Finnish trade agreements and bilateral trade after the 1809-separation

Frederico Benvinda (University of Lisbon). The allure of a "great market" – A study of Portuguese economic diplomacy towards the Russian Empire through the 1851, 1896 and 1908 agreements.

Session 14. Gendered Perspectives on Property, Livelihoods, and Market Dynamics in Urban Contexts / S304

Chair: Riina Turunen (University of Jyväskylä)

Emilie Carlsson (Stockholm University). Gender Dynamics and Market Regulation: A Comparative Analysis of Women's Participation in the Property Markets of Stockholm and Helsinki, 1750-1850

Sanna Kuusikari (University of Tampere). Hospitality, bread and timber -
Women's livelihood in the 19th century harbor society

Valeria Peshko (University of Helsinki). Who owned Moscow? Real estate
market, gender and status in 19th century Moscow

19.00 Conference dinner at *Wanha Voimala* (**Vaajanvirta, Konttisentie 2, 40800 Jyväskylä**).

Friday 14 June 2024

9.00 Registration, **Building S**

9:00–10:30 Parallel sessions 15–18

Session 15. Innovation and Industry: Exploring Technological Frontiers and Economic Challenges in Northern Europe / H306

Chair: Timo Särkkä (University of Jyväskylä)

Niklas Jensen-Eriksen (University of Helsinki). Northern Nuclear Front: Finland as a market for foreign atomic technology, 1955–1974

Matti La Mela (Uppsala University) and Lauri Heinonen (University of Helsinki) and Jari Eloranta (University of Helsinki). Independent innovation in late-industrializing Finland, 1890-1940

Pasi Nevalainen (University of Jyväskylä). Unveiling Industrial Failure: The Rise and Fall of Valco, a State-Owned Cathode-Ray-Tube Factory

Session 16. Secrets, Surveillance, and Diplomatic Intrigues in Cold War Finland / S203

Chair: Jari Eloranta (University of Helsinki)

Tommi Hämäläinen (University of Jyväskylä): British Intelligence Assessments of Cold War Finland, 1948–1956

Maarja Merivoo-Parro (University of Jyväskylä): Finlandization behind the scenes: reflections of the Baltic independence movement in President Koivisto's secret archive

Tapio Roiko-Jokela (University of Jyväskylä): Readiness through International Cooperation? Perspectives on Finnish Defence Industrial Strategy

Session 17. Economic and Social Transformations in Early Modern Europe / S303

Chair: Heli Valtonen (University of Jyväskylä)

Anne McCants (MIT) and Bas Spielt (University of Antwerp). The 'consumer revolution' and inequality in early modern Amsterdam

Lars Bruno (Norwegian Business School) and Jeremy Land (University of Gothenburg). Living Standards in the Nordic Countries 1700-1914: Comparing Different Metrics

Ryan Ingerik (University of Helsinki). The Numbers Game: Measuring Unfreedom in the British and Swedish Empires

Session 18. Evolution of Institutions and Elites in Pre-modern Russia and Eastern Europe / S304

Chair: Maare Paloheimo (University of Jyväskylä)

Anna Arkhina (Bocconi University) Openness of Russian civil elite in 19th – early 20th century

Mantas Bureika (Vilnius University) Institutional Change and Development in a Limited Access Order of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania (1385-1569)

Maiya Sakharova (Aix-Marseille University). Firm Formation in the Tsarist Russian Empire: The Effect of the Polish Revolt

10.30–11.00 Coffee (served in the **building S 2nd floor and S204**)

11:00–12:30 Parallel sessions 19–21

Session 19. Political, Economic, and Social Dynamics: Comparative Perspectives from Europe and the Middle East / S203

Chair: Pasi Nevalainen

Relli Shechter (Ben Gurion University). Royal populism: Oil disruptions and socioeconomic reforms in Iran and Saudi Arabia

Heikki Mikkonen (University of Helsinki) and Jukka Syväterä (University of Helsinki). An Engine of Growth or a Public Burden? Expert Knowledge and Scientific Authorities in Finnish Political Discourses on Social Policy 1960–2020

Session 20. Economic Challenges and Resilience in Nordic and Baltic Regions / S303

Chair: Anne McCants (MIT)

Jari Eloranta (University of Helsinki) and Lars Bruno (Norwegian Business School) and Jari Ojala (University of Jyväskylä). Liability of Newness? The Emergence of Newly Independent Finland and Norway and the Development of Public Credit Risk

Zenonas Norkus (Vilnius University) and Jurgita Markevičiūtė (Vilnius University) and Aelita Ambrulevičiūtė (Vilnius University). Vulnerability and

Resilience to Economic Shocks: A Cross-Time Comparison of Performance of Baltic States during the Great Global Economic Crisis 1929 and 2007

Heikki Kämäräinen (University of Jyväskylä). Private Credit market. Observations on historical methodology

Session 21. Economic and Social Transformations in Modernizing Rural Europe / S304

Chair: Merja Uotila (University of Jyväskylä)

Arina Fedorova (European University Institute). The Transformation of Peasants Into Voluntary Economic Actors? A History of the Peasants' Land Bank (1882-1917)

Heidi Hirvonen (University of Helsinki). Regional Disparities in Female Education: A Panel Data Analysis of Primary Schooling in Rural Finland, 1880-1938

Katja Karkinen (Lammasoja tutkimuspalvelu). From domestic butter and sour milk to industrial plants: Transformation of agriculture. The role of cattle and maids in the 19th century in the Eastern Tavastland, Finland

12.30–13.30 Lunch (**Restaurant *Lozzi* at the P-building**)

13.30–14.30 Keynote: **Hanna Kuusi** (University of Helsinki): *Medical technologies, institutions and actors - medicalization thesis reconsidered. S212 (Vanha Juhlasali)*

14.30 Closing remarks, Pasi Nevalainen, **S212 (Vanha juhlasali)**

15.00 Coffee (served in **S 2nd floor and S204**)

Map 1. Jyväskylä centre



A = Sokos Hotel Paviljonki (Lutakonaukio 10, 40100 Jyväskylä)

B = Sokos Hotel Alexandra (Hannikaisenkatu 35, 40100 Jyväskylä)

C = Hotel Alba (Ahlmaninkatu 4, 40100 Jyväskylä)

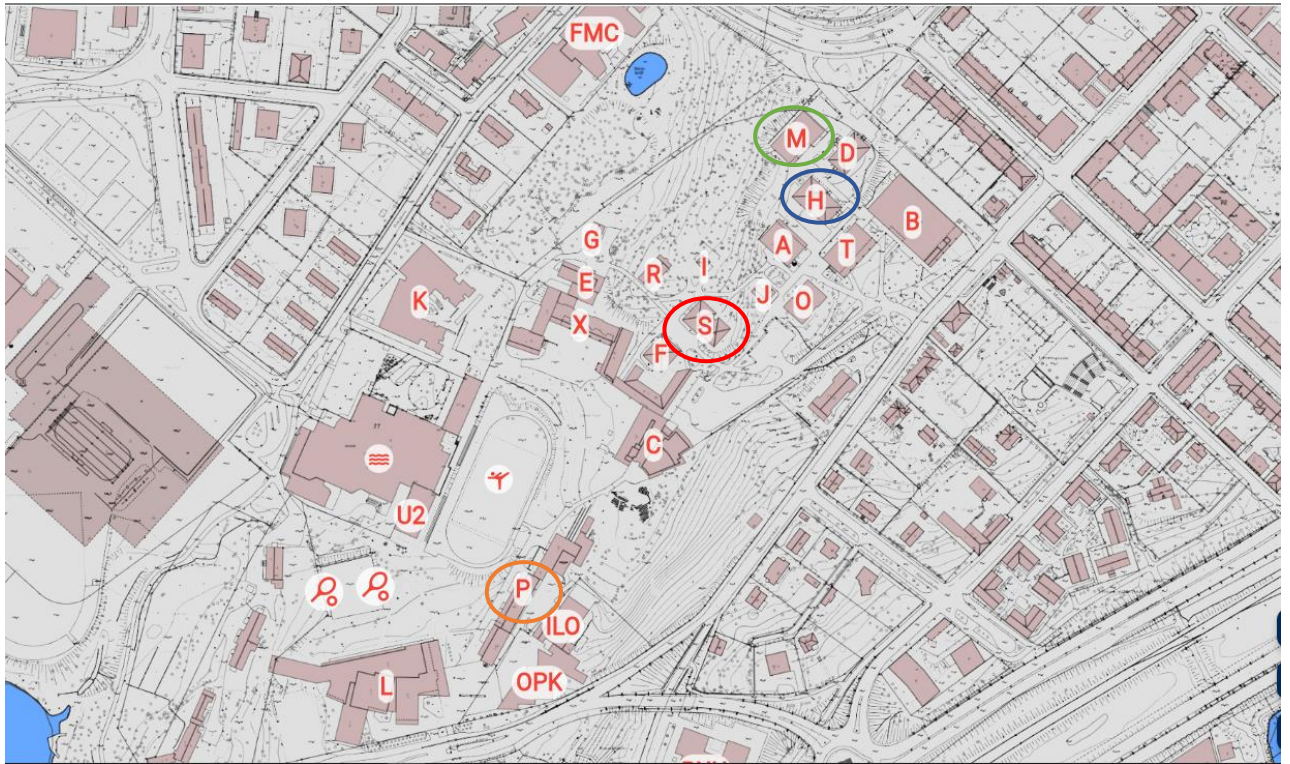
D = Departure 1 of busses to conference dinner (Seminaarinkatu 15, 40100 Jyväskylä, in front of Building B Lähde) at **17:45**.

E = Departure 2 of busses to conference dinner (Lutakonaukio, 40100 Jyväskylä) at **18:00**.

F = Jyväskylä Travel Centre (Hannikaisenkatu 20, 40100 Jyväskylä)

Map 2. *Seminaarinmäki* campus area

Address: Seminaarinkatu 15, 40100 Jyväskylä



Access to University of Jyväskylä Wi-Fi

WLAN SSID: jyu-guest

Tunnus (login): hhse-3065

Information Regarding Conference Locations

Academic program

Buildings S (Seminarium) and **H** (Historica) are the venues for the academic program.

Class rooms S203, S204 (coffee), S303, S304 and lecture room S212 (*Vanha juhlasali, The Seminarium assembly hall*) are found in Building S. The second floor of Building H is where you can find the class room H306. Both buildings are located on the *Seminaarinmäki* campus. On the map 2, Building S is marked by a red circle, Building H by a blue circle.



Coffees and lunches

In Building S, coffee is available on the second floor and class room S204. The restaurant *Lozzi*, shown on the map as an orange circle, serves lunch in **Building P**.



Welcome get-together on Wednesday, June 12th, starting at 17:00

The venue is *Boombox*, which you can find from **Building M** on the *Seminaarinmäki* campus; on the map it is indicated by a green circle.

Conference dinner on Thursday, June 13th, starting at 19:00

The venue for the event is *Wanha Woimala* (<https://wanhawoimala.fi/>), located in Vaajakoski, 9 kilometers east of the centre of Jyväskylä.

Bus transportation is offered between Jyväskylä and *Wanha Woimala*. There are two options for where to depart:

The buses initially leave at **17:45** from the *Seminaarinmäki* campus in front of Building B Lähde at 17:45 (letter D on Map 1).

At **18:00**, the second departure point is located at Lutakonaukio (letter E on Map 1).

At **23:00** there is a departure from Vaajakoski to Lutakonaukio, Jyväskylä.

Situated between Lake Päijänne and Lake Leppävesi, Wanha Woimala is a historic hydroelectric power facility that dates back to 1920. Up until 1940, it produced power for the local community. This two-story former power station was an important component of the Vaajakoski industry. Throughout the 19th century, Vaajakoski expanded from a tiny rural village to a sawmill industry town. Naissaari, a small island with a cultural-historical entity that blends nature, scenery, and culture, is home to Wanha Woimala. There are three 19th-century wooden residences on the island, a 1920 wooden house, and two 1934 functionalist houses. There is time for exploring the historic walkway that encircles the island before the dinner.

