

TRADE AND WAR: THE NEUTRALITY OF COMMERCE IN THE INTER-STATE SYSTEM

International Conference, 22-24 August 2007

Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies, Erik Castrén Institute of International Law and Human Rights, Erasmus Center for Early-Modern Studies, Rotterdam

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Venue: Metsätalo building, Unioninkatu 20, room 6

Wednesday 22 August

12:30

- Juha Sihvola (Director of the Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies), Welcome.

12:45

- Keynote lecture by Erkki Tuomioja, docent in Political History, Member of Parliament and former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

coffee break

13:30

- Koen Stapelbroek (Erasmus University Rotterdam/ Helsinki Collegium), *Introduction:* The Neutrality of Commerce in the Inter-State System.

13:45-18:45 The Seven Years' War: 'Jealousy of Trade' and the Neutrality of Commerce

- 1. Hans Blom (Erasmus University Rotterdam), *Neutral Notions: Right Reason, Impartiality and Acceptable Interest of States.*
- 2. Tara Helfman (New York), Commerce on Trial: the British Courts of Admiralty and Neutral Trade in the Seven Years' War.

coffee break

- 3. Gregory Lewkowicz (Free University Brussels), *TBA/ Diplomacy and the Balance of Power from Grotius to Vattel*.
- 4. Béla Kapossy (University of Lausanne/ University Fribourg), *Neutrality and Balance of Power in eighteenth-century Swiss political thought*.
- 5. Ere Nokkala (European University Institute), J.H.G. Justi's Wohlgemeynte Vorschläge (1759): Danish Neutrality as a Model for German Foreign Policy in the Seven Years' War.

19:00 Buffet reception hosted by the rector. University of Helsinki main building (Aleksanterinkatu 5).



Thursday 23 August

9:30-11:30 THE WAR OF THE AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE & THE 'LEAGUE OF ARMED NEUTRALITY'

- 6. Leos Müller (Uppsala University), *Sweden and the League of Armed Neutrality*, 1780-1783.
- 7. Koen Stapelbroek (Erasmus University Rotterdam/ Helsinki Collegium), *Galiani's Dei Doveri dei Principi Neutrali (1782): Natural law, Neapolitan trade and Catherine the Great.*

lunch at the Collegium (Fabianinkatu 24)

14:00-17:00 THE NAPOLEONIC ERA: NEUTRAL TRADE AND THE EUROPEAN STATE ORDER

- 8. Mark Somos (Harvard University), *Armed Neutrality and Early American State Building: Alexander Hamilton's Political Economy.*
- 9. Isaac Nakhimovsky (Harvard University), *The 'Ignominious Fall of the European Commonwealth': Gentz, Hauterive, and the Debate of 1800.*

coffee break

10. Stephen C. Neff (University of Edinburgh), *Bonaparte, the British and the Neutrals: The Debate Over Reprisals and Third Parties.*

19:00 Conference Dinner

Friday 24 August

9:30-10:30 THE LEGACY OF THE NEUTRALITY DEBATE: POLITICAL ECONOMY, EMPIRE AND WAR

11. Phillip Dehne (St. Joseph's College), *How Britain Redefined Neutrality during the First World War.*

coffee break

11:00-13:00

ROUND TABLE/ TENTATIVE CONCLUSIONS