

# **DOING BUSINESS WITH STRANGERS** Finance and Enterprise in the Preindustrial World

May 1-2, 2015 at Yale University

Whitney Humanities Center, Room 208 53 Wall Street, New Haven, CT 06511

### FRIDAY MAY 1, 2015

#### 1:00-3:00pm

Chair: Joseph G. Manning, Yale University Discussant: Francesca Trivellato, Yale University

Phillip I. Ackerman-Lieberman, Vanderbilt University, "Balancing One's Obligations Between God and Mammon: Law and Mercantile Practice Among the Geniza Merchants"

Bruce S. Hall, *Duke University*, "Salt, Slavery, and Credit in the Functioning of Saharan Commerce"

#### 3:30-5:30pm

Chair: Eric Hilt, Yale University and Wellesley University Discussant: Christopher Udry, Yale University

Cihan Artunç, University of Arizona, "Firm Organization in Egypt between 1910 and 1949: Evidence from the Mixed Courts"

Madeleine Zelin, Columbia University, "Local Knowledge: Explorations in China's Encounter with the Modern Company"



## SATURDAY MAY 2, 2015

#### 9:30-12:00pm

Chair: José-Antonio Espin-Sanchez, Yale University Discussant: Naomi Lamoreaux, Yale University

Lutz Kaelber, University of Vermont, "Financing Business: Max Weber on Equity and Debt in Medieval Partnerships"

Yadira González de Lara, University of Valencia, "The Impact of Formal Monitoring on Financial Development: From Debt to Equity in Late Medieval Venice"

Nadia Matringe, CNRS-Paris, "Credit Reallocation & the Financing of International Trade: Deposit Banking in Sixteenth-Century Lyons"

#### 1:00-3:30pm

Chair: **Timothy Guinanne**, *Yale University* Discussant: **Philip Hoffman**, *Caltech* 

Bram Van Hofstraeten, *Maastricht University*, "Opting for Private Partnerships in Early Modern Antwerp (1480-1620)"

Joost Jonker, *Utrecht University* and Oscar Gelderblom, *Utrecht University*, "Direct Finance in the Dutch Golden Age"

Jessica Hanser, Yale-NUS, "The Canton Debts Crisis, 1779-81"

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