Instruments of Empire: Science, Information and French Colonization in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries

Saltmarsh Rooms, King’s College, Cambridge
Monday 9 June 2008, 12.45 -17.00

SCHEDULE

12.45-13.45 Lunch

13.45-14.00 Introduction

14.00-14.45 Jacob Soll
“The Ancient Constitution and the New World: Jean-Baptiste Colbert's Archives and Colonial Policy”
Chair: Filippo de Vivo

14.45-15.30 William Nelson
"Making Men: Enlightenment Ideas of Racial Engineering"
Chair: David Todd

15.30-15.45 Tea/Coffee

15.45-16.30 Pernille Røge
“La clef de commerce” - The changing role of Africa in France's Atlantic empire c. 1760-1797
Chair: William Nelson

16.30 Conclusions

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