

Workshop “Political Economies of Small-Scale Agriculture: A History between Europe and the Colonial Worlds (ca. 1750-1850)”

Programme - Draft

Turin, 18-19 June 2025

18 June - Afternoon

14.15 - Giulio Talini, Aris Della Fontana, Mattia Steardo, Filippo Soramel - *Introductory Remarks*

14.30 - 1st Session: *Debating Small-Scale Farming, Agricultural Improvement, and Land Possession*
- Chair: Aris Della Fontana

Auguste Bertholet (Université de Lausanne) - The “Petite Culture, Grande Culture” Debate in the Pays de Vaud, or How to Claim Local Economic Independence

Radoslaw Szymanski (Centre de Civilisation Française et d’Études Francophones en Pologne, University of Warsaw) - *Projet pour augmenter la revenue des terres par la propriété des paysans polonais et pour perfectionner par là l’agriculture: An Enlightenment Project of Agrarian Reform Between Petite and Grande Culture*

Camilla de Freitas Macêdo (Leibniz Universität Hannover) - “The True Owners of Land”: Political Discourse About Indigenous Peoples’ Role in the Brazilian Empire (1840-1860)

16.15 - Coffee Break

16.30 - 2nd Session: *European Experiments* - Chair: Giulio Talini

Lavinia Maddaluno (Ca’ Foscari University of Venice) - The Science and Practice of Small-Scale Cultivation: Ludwig Mitterpacher (1734-1814) in a European Context

Aris Della Fontana (Institut national d'études démographiques, France) - Reconciling Economic Performance and Social Cohesion: The Construction and Publicization of "Petite Culture" in Late Eighteenth-Century France

Filippo Soramel (Universität Wien - Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne) - *Colonie* and *Bauernhöfe*: The Friulian and Carinthian Patriotic Societies and the "Perfect Size" of Farms (1760s-1790s)

Dinner

19 June - Morning

9.30 - 3rd Session: *Small-Scale Farming in Colonial Context* - Chair: Filippo Soramel

Mattia Steardo (Fondazione Luigi Einaudi, Turin) - Governing an Expanding Commercial Empire: Juan José Sagasti's Plan for the Río de la Plata

Giulio Talini, (Bocconi University, Milan) - "Cette colonie qui fera un jour la richesse de notre commerce": Corruption, Underdevelopment, and Small-Scale Farming in French Sainte-Lucie (1763-1789)

10.30 - Coffee Break

10.45 - Lasse Andersen (Institute of Intellectual History, University of St Andrews) - Measuring Jefferson's Axe: The Rhetoric and Reality of Reform in Virginia

José Ferreira (Institute of Contemporary History, NOVA School of Social Sciences and Humanities / IN2PAST) - A Rule of Property for Goa: Politics, Agriculture and Property Rights in Portuguese India, c. 1770-1850

12.00 - Alessandro Buono (University of Pisa) - *Concluding Remarks*