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Call for Proposals

Science, Technology and Industrialization: Interactions Between Europe and Latin America after the Independence movements (1840–1940).

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Our understanding of the history of knowledge has been considerably increased by recent globalization studies. Research covering different epochs of the history of knowledge related to China, India and the Middle East have uncovered the immense richness of this field. Other geographical regions, however, have not received the same degree of attention. This observation holds true in particular for the investigation of history of knowledge in South America, despite the fact that this region was involved in the globalization of knowledge during the period of industrialization in the 19th century.

The goal of the workshop is to stimulate historical research on the dissemination of scientific and technological knowledge in South America and its application in engineering, industry, research and teaching. The case studies presented at the workshop should provide new and previously unpublished insights into the entanglement of European and South-American nations, showing how knowledge and material objects were exchanged and globalized during the industrialization process. Historical case studies involving practices related to chemistry, physics, mathematics (including statistics), astronomy, meteorology, genetics, microbiology, geology, mineralogy, agronomy, mechanical engineering and architecture are particularly welcome.

The conference language will be English. The Max Planck Institute will cover travel (economy) and accommodation expenses for invited participants.

Please send an abstract of your contribution (no more than 400 words) and a brief academic CV with institutional affiliation in one file to hwendt@mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de

The deadline for proposals is September 9, 2016.

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