

**Cultures of Security in the Nineteenth Century. Transimperial Perspectives**

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**ERC SECURE final conference**

**Utrecht University**

**9 – 10 May 2019**

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Academy Hall

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# PROGRAMME CONFERENCE DAY 1 | 9 MAY 2019

**14:00h Registration and coffee**

**14:30h Introduction**

 *Prof. Beatrice de Graaf (Utrecht University)*

**14:45h Panel 1: Treaties and the making of a security culture**

 *Chair: Dr. Laurien Crump (Utrecht University)*

 *Discussant: Dr. David Todd (King’s College, London)*

Metternich’s project for a league to preserve peace in Europe. The last attempt to save the post-1815 normative approach to collective security?

 *- Dr. Miroslav Šedivý (University of West Bohemia)*

Revisiting the Paris Treaty and the Quadruple Alliance Treaty of 20 November 1815. International revolution and transnational transformation: overcoming the restauration myth

 *- Prof. Beatrice de Graaf (Utrecht University)*

 The recorded legacy. The Paris Declaration of 1856 and its troubled precedents

 *- Erik de Lange MA (Utrecht University)*

**16:30h Break**

**17:00h Keynote: Junction 1815. Globalising the history of European peace and security after the Congress of Vienna**

 *Dr. Maartje Abbenhuis (Auckland University)*

 *Moderator: Dr. Ozan Ozavci (Utrecht University)*

**18:00h Drinks**

**19:00h Conference dinner**

*Stadskasteel Oudaen,*

 *Oudegracht 99, Utrecht*

 *We will walk to the restaurant together after the conference*

# PROGRAMME CONFERENCE DAY 2 | 10 MAY 2019

**09:00h Coffee and tea**

**09:30h Panel 2: Expert security and Riparian cooperations**

 *Chair: Dr. Rachell Gillett (Utrecht University)*

 *Discussant: Prof. Wim van Meurs (Radboud University Nijmegen)*

 Transnational technocrats and the correction of an international river

 *- Prof. Constantin Ardeleanu (Utrecht University / University of Galați)*

The CCNR in the 1840s: consolidation of an international body of expertise in a revolutionary age

 *- Dr. Joep Schenk (Utrecht University)*

Forgetting two histories: European institutional models, empty spaces, and the failure of the 1885 Congo River Commission

 *- Dr. Joanne Yao (Durham University)*

The “Sergeant Melanine” affair and the Congo and Niger river regimes. Rethinking the Berlin Conference and transimperial cooperation

 *- Dr. Angela Thompsell (College at Brockport, SUNY)*

**12:00h lunch**

**13:00h Panel 3: Empire and Extraterritoriality**

*Chair: Prof. Jolle Demmers (Utrecht University)*

*Discussant: Prof. David Schimmelpenninck van der Oye (Brock University)*

A priceless grace? The Congress of Vienna, the Ottoman Empire and the politics of international law, 1814-1815

 *- Dr. Ozan Ozavci (Utrecht University)*

Implementing treaty system in China. Focusing on the Anglo-French coalition in the nineteenth century

 *- Prof. Simon Yin (Hefei University of Technology)*

Protecting the health of the American Empire in the “Orient”. U.S. sanitary measures in and beyond its Pacific colonies (c. 1898-1910)

 *- Dr. Andrea Wiegeshoff (University of Marburg)*

**15:00h Break**

**15:15h Panel 4: Police cooperation and Security**

 *Chair: Dr. Liesbeth van de Grift (Utrecht University)*

 *Discussant: Prof. Richard Bach Jensen (Northwestern State University)*

A conservative international? Transnational policing and the origins of a European security culture after the 1848-49 revolutions

*- Christos Aliprantis MA (University of Cambridge)*

Founded on fear. The anti-anarchist campaign and the formation of interpersonal and formal police networks, 1890s-1914

*- Wouter Klem MA (Utrecht University)*

Transnational criminal law regimes, police cooperation and security in transatlantic perspective

*- Prof. Karl Härter (Max-Planck-Institut für europäische Rechtsgeschichte)*

**17:15h** **Concluding** **Remarks**

**17:30h Drinks**

# Biographies and contact details

**Maartje Abbenhuis** is a historian of neutrality and internationalism, particularly in Europe in the period 1815 – 1919. She is the recipient of two Royal Society of New Zealand Marsden Grants: one in 2004 for work on the borderlands of the Netherlands in the First World War, one in 2014 for her Hague conferences project. She is in the process of co-authoring two further books for Bloomsbury: The First Age of Globalisation: An International History 1815-1918 (with Gordon Morrell, forthcoming, 2019) and Global War, Global Catastrophe. Neutrals, Belligerents and the Transformation of the First World War (with Ismee Tames, forthcoming, 2020).

**Christos Aliprantis** is pursuing a PhD in History at the University of Cambridge (expected to be finished in 2020). His academic point of focus is the Austrian and Prussian international secret police and intelligence operations between 1848-1870.

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