Early Modern China in the Late Imperial World
Thursday, October 15 and Friday, October 16, 2015
Sherwood Room Levering Hall at Johns Hopkins University

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Opening Thoughts 2:00-3:40 PM
Francois Furstenberg, Johns Hopkins University,
“Thinking about Empire in Early Modern North America”

Ho-Fung Hung, Johns Hopkins University,
“The Familial State in China’s Age of Commerce, 1644-1839”
Chair: Carla Nappi

Governance 4:00-5:40
Pier Larson, Johns Hopkins University,
“Circulation and Mobility in the Military Bureaucracy of Madagascar, 1820-60”

William T. Rowe, Johns Hopkins University,
“Reform of the Qing Salt Monopoly in Comparative Perspective”
Chair: Marta Hanson

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Court Culture 12:45-2:45
Michael Chang, George Mason University,
“Patrimonialism in Practice: HeShen as Imperial Intendant of the Privy Purse and the Public Fisc”

Eugenio Menegon, Boston University,
“Whose empire were they serving? The political and diplomatic role of European missionaries at the Qing court in the eighteenth century.”

Matthew Mosca, University of Washington,
“Empire, Religion, and Historiography: Qing Beijing as a Eurasian Hub for the Study of the Mongol Past”
Chair: Erin Rowe

Information in Circulation 3:00-5:00
Will Brown, Johns Hopkins University,
"Empire of Information: Receiving, Recording, and Reporting Exotica in Louis XIV's Paris"

Emily Mokros, Johns Hopkins University,
“Conspiratorial City: Documents, Rumors, and News in Early Modern Beijing”

Ting Zhang, University of Maryland, College Park,
“Killing the Adulterous Lover” and Popular Dissemination of Legal Knowledge in Qing China”
Chair: Mary Fissell

FRIDAY MORNING

Commercial Contacts 9:30-11:30
Xing Hang, Maritime China, Brandeis,
“The Leizhou Pirates and the Making of the Mekong River Delta, 17th-18th Centuries”

Michael Kwass, Johns Hopkins University,

Peter Perdue, Yale University,
“Interlopers, Parasites, or Transnationals? Three Men on the Chinese Coast from the 16th to 20th Centuries”
Chair: Katherine Smoak

Closing Roundtable 5:15-6:15
Moderator: Tobie Meyer-Fong
Speakers: Matthew Mosca, Carla Nappi, and Peter Perdue

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