Conference
The Transmission of Financial Knowledge in Historical Perspective
March 8 – 9, 2019

Conveners:
Nicholas Osborne (New-York Historical Society)
Atiba Pertilla (German Historical Institute, Washington, DC)
Friday, March 8

9.00 – 9.30 am  **Welcome and Introductions**

Simone Lässig (Director, GHI Washington)

Nicholas Osborne (New-York Historical Society)

Atiba Pertilla (GHI Washington)

9.30 – 9.45 am  **Coffee Break**

9.45 – 11.15 am  **Panel I**

Chair: Claudia Roesch (GHI Washington)

David Hochfelder (University at Albany, SUNY)
“Thrift and Empire: The Case of the U.S. Occupation of the Philippines”

Casey Marina Lurtz (Johns Hopkins University)
“Community Accountability and Microlending in 19th-Century Mexico”

11.15 – 11.30 am  **Coffee Break**
11.30 – 1.00 pm **Panel II**

Chair: Sünne Juterczenka (Göttingen University/GHI Washington)

Poorva Rajaram (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
“Bad Lives: A Post Office Insurance Scheme in Colonial India”

Jaclyn Schultz (University of California-Santa Cruz)
“The Political Economy of Charity in Antebellum U.S. Childhood”

1.00 – 2.00 pm **Lunch Break** (on your own)

2.00 – 3.30 pm **Panel III**

Chair: Elisabeth Engel (GHI Washington)

Joan Flores-Villalobos (Ohio State University)
“The Value of Death: Accessing Compensation in Panama and the Caribbean, 1904–1914”

Heather Welland (Binghamton University, SUNY)
“Life is Cheap: Buying and Selling Industrial Life Insurance in Victorian Britain”
3.30 – 3.45 pm  Coffee Break

3.45 – 5.15 pm  Panel IV
Chair: Michael O’Malley (George Mason University)
Linda Przybyszewski (University of Notre Dame)
“Labor, Cost, and Style: Teaching the Economics of Dress and Dressmaking, 1910–1940”
Michael Zakim (Tel Aviv University)
“Accounting for the Self”

6.30 pm  Conference Dinner

Saturday, March 9

9.00 – 10.30 am  Panel V
Chair: Atiba Pertilla (GHI Washington)
Rachel Knecht (Brandeis University)
“Perilous Calculations and Terrible Formulae”: Life Insurance Algorithms in Postbellum America
James Taylor (Lancaster University)
“Learning How to Speculate: Outside Brokers and the Stock Market in Britain, 1880–1914”
10.30 – 10.45 am  **Coffee Break**

10.45 – 12.15 pm  **Panel VI**

Chair: Nicholas Osborne (New-York Historical Society)

Peter Knight (University of Manchester)
“Gilded Age Investment Advice”

Owen Lyons (Ryerson University)
“Dr. Mabuse and His Doubles: Finance Capital in the Weimar Popular Imaginary”

12.15 – 1.30 pm  **Lunch** (at the GHI)

1.30 – 2.30 pm  **Concluding Discussion**