

International Conference

Media and the Portuguese Empire (18th to 20th Century)

Lisbon, 1-2 November 2013

CALL FOR PAPERS

The connexion between the *media* and the Portuguese Empire is the theme to be explored in the international conference which will be held the 1st and 2nd November 2013 in Lisbon. The organizers welcome multiple disciplinary approaches, as the conference encompasses studies in journalism, communication, history, literature, sociology, geography, anthropology, and art history, among other domains of the humanities and the social sciences. These studies shall contribute to a better understanding of the complex interactions established between the *media* and Portuguese imperial policy from the 18th century until the 1970's. From an enlarged perspective of the *media*, which embraces the physical structures of transportation, as well as all forms of symbolic communication (rumour, mail, press, cinema, radio, television, theatre, literature, and advertising), we encourage the presentation of papers focusing on the articulations and tensions between these *media* and the establishment and maintenance of a Portuguese Empire in Brazil, Angola, Mozambique, São Tomé e Príncipe, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, India (Goa, Damão, and Diu), East-Timor, and Macau.

The organizers welcome studies which embrace a broad perspective, comprising both centre and peripheral regions or/and emphasizing the interactions between communications, policy, economics, society, cultural and national identities. Contributions are accepted on topics such as:

- Connections between transportation and communication in imperial dynamics;
- Relation between exploratory missions, cartography, communication infrastructures, and the establishment of an Empire;
- *Media* and public celebrations;
- Press, propaganda, public opinion, and imperial domination;
- Imperialism and popular culture;
- *Media* in the colonies (press, radio, cinema, literature), resistance, and the constitution of national identities.

The organizers will also be happy to consider proposals on other topics relevant to the conference theme.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

DR. CHANDRIKA KAUL

Dr Chandrika Kaul (BA (Hons), MA (Oxon), D. Phil Oxford), Department of Modern History, University of St Andrews, Scotland, UK, has published extensively in the field of media and empire. She is founding co-editor of the international book series, *Palgrave Studies in the History of the Media* (Palgrave Macmillan). Her monograph, *Reporting the Raj, the British Press and India* (2003), is the first detailed study on the subject. She has also edited *Media and the British Empire* (2006) which explores media interactions across the British empire and dominions over the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Dr Kaul has also edited *Explorations in Modern Indian History and the Media* (Routledge, 2009), and co-edited *International Communications and Global News networks: Historical Perspectives* (Hampton Press, New York, 2011). Her next monograph, *Communications, Media and the Imperial Experience: Britain and India in the Twentieth century* is to be published in 2013 by Palgrave Macmillan. Dr Kaul is Co-Chair of the History section of the *International Association of Media and Communication Research* and sits on the Editorial Board of the journal, *Media History* (Routledge)

CONFERENCE LANGUAGES

English and Portuguese.

ADMISSION

To participate in the conference please send an abstract of your paper (600 words maximum) and a short CV, in PDF or Word format, until the 1st April 2013, to the conference e-mail: mediaeimperio@gmail.com.

The abstracts will be selected by the peer-reviewers appointed by the Scientific Committee, and the selected proponents will be notified until the 30th April 2013.

The complete text of the communication must be sent to the conference organizers by the 30th September 2013.

The Scientific Committee will select the best papers, which will be published in book by a prestigious international publisher.

FREE REGISTRATION

SCHEDULE

1 April 2013: limit for the submission of proposals

30 April 2013: notification of acceptance

30 September 2013: limit for the delivery of complete text

31 October 2013: limit of registration for non-speakers

1-2 November 2013: Conference *Media and the Portuguese Empire (18th to 20th Century)*

December 2014: book publishing

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