
Institute of Historical Research Partnership Seminar series
Risk and Uncertainty in the Premodern World
Winter 2022

Convenors: Lewis Wade (Exeter), Gijs Dreijer (Leiden) and Mallory Hope (Yale)

Seminars will take place **online**. Registration will be necessary in advance through [our page](#) on the Institute of Historical Research website. To be informed when registration opens for each seminar, please sign up to our [mailing list](#).

Thursday 20 January: **Nature, Risk and Uncertainty**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Francesca Sautman (City University of New York): Uncertain Times: Weather Events, Hunger, and War in the Memoirs of Claude Haton (c. 1534-c.1605)

Anastasia Litina (Macedonia/Luxembourg) and **Éric Roca Fernandez** (CERDI-UCA):
Celestial Enlightenment: Eclipses, Curiosity and Economic Development among Pre-Modern Ethnic Groups

Thursday 17 February: **Commercial Language, Risk and Uncertainty**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Albrecht Cordes (Goethe University Frankfurt/Main): New Language, New Law: Innovation in the Law of Lübeck in the late 13th Century

Gijs Dreijer (Leiden): The Power and Pains of Polysemy: Maritime Averages and the Language of Risk and Uncertainty in the Low Countries (15th-16th Centuries)

Thursday 24 March: **Credit, Risk and Uncertainty**, 16:30-18:15 (London time)

Ellen Nye (Yale): Cartographies of Credit: Risk and Obligation between the Ottoman and English Empire, 1670-1720

Gregory Smaldone (Johns Hopkins): The Abricots Atelier: Rival Geographies and the Credit of Absolutism
