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LA HISTORIA DE LA CONTABILIDAD 16TH ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE EUROPEAN ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATION

El XVI Congreso Anual de la Asociacion Europea de Contabilidad was held in Turku, Finland on April 28-30. During the meeting of the executive committee of the Association, the delegation from Spain proposed the establishment of a History of Accounting Section. Interest appears to be very positive for such a special interest section.

Ten history research papers were presented on the program. These ten papers are of interest and are listed as follows:

- "An Antecedent of Double-entry Bookkeeping: The Accounting System of a Tenth Century Muslim Administrative Office," Shaari Hamid, Russell Craig, and Frank Clarke.
- "The Accounting System Practiced in the Near East during the Period 1220-1350," Cigdem Solas e Ismail Otar.
- "The Cely Shipping Accounts: An Investigation into Trade, Profit and Trends in Late Fifteenth Century Shipping," Keith Hooper.
- "Comments on Some Obscure or Ambiguous Points of the Treatise De Computis et Scripturis by Luca Pacioli," Esteban Hernandez Esteve.

- "The First Australian Book on Accounting: James Dimelow's 'Practical Bookkeeping,'" Garry D. Carnegie and R. H. Parker.
- "The Role of Professional Accountants in Industrial Development: A Critical Examination of the Evidence," Malcom Anderson, John Richard Edwards, and Derek Matthews.
- "Insiders and Outsiders: Occupational Rivalry in Accountancy in the UK, 1900-1930," Linda Kirkham and Anne Loft.
- "The Evolution of Financial Accounting in Belgium During the First Half of the Twentieth Century. Examples from the Coalmining Industry," Ignace De Beelde.
- "Historical Development of Company Law: The Case of Belgium," Yves De Ronge, Emmanuel Henrion, and Claude Vael.
- "Toward a History of Accounting Histories: Perspectives From the Italian Tradition," Luca Zan.

The Congress ended with the announcement that the 17th Congress will be held in Venice, April 6-8, 1994 en La Zitelle, Centro Culturale di Esponsizione e Comunicazione.

A THOUGHT FROM THE PAST

"History owes its excellency more to the writer's manner than to the material of which it is composed."

—Oliver Goldsmith, British poet, dramatist and author (1728-1774).

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