Accounting, business and financial history: Workshop at Kobe University, 27 October 2009, Call for papers: Special Issue on Japanese accounting history in the interwar period; Balkans and the Middle East countries: 2nd International Conference on Auditing and Accounting History (2. BMAC): Call for papers; First International Luca Pacioli Conference on Accounting History: Accounting history, a privileged way to approach historical research; Accounting history: Call for research proposals: The first Accounting History International Emerging Scholars' Colloquium; Call for papers: 1st International Conference on Accounting History in China,
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The quality and quantity of historical research on Japanese accounting regulation in general—and the first official accounting principles developed in the postwar period, i.e. "Business Accounting Principles" (Kigyo Kaikei Gensoku), issued in 1949, in particular—have recently been significantly enhanced. The accumulated knowledge of accounting practices adopted by specific organizations in Japan is still limited, however, especially when compared with those of other, particularly Western, countries. In this sense, Japanese accounting history research which focuses on accounting practices adopted by specific organizations is an area that needs to be further developed.

Of course, there exist some Japan-based empirical studies, but much of the prior research has mainly focused on 'Zaibatsu', i.e. financial combines closely connected with the economic and political interest of the Japanese government. The influence of Zaibatsu was undoubtedly important in Japanese society, but the number of companies involved was limited to a few hundred at most, which implies that less high-profile firms have been ignored. The time periods examined to date have also concentrated on the Edo (1603-1867) and Meiji (1868-1912) Eras or the post-WW2 period in the Showa Era (1946-), whereas the period between these, particularly the interwar period, was overlooked, in spite of it being an important time in Japanese history.

The Accounting, Business & Financial History Workshop to be held at Kobe University on 27 October 2009, based on the consideration above, calls for papers that focus on accounting practices adopted by Japanese business firms in the interwar period. Following the usual refereeing process, papers presented at the workshop are expected to appear in print in a special issue of Accounting, Business & Financial History featuring Japanese Accounting History scheduled to be published at the end of 2010.

The format of the workshop will allow approximately 40 minutes for presentation and 20 minutes for discussion in order to help achieve worthwhile feedback from those attending, specifically including Professor Trevor Boyns of Cardiff Business School, representing Accounting, Business & Financial History. Those wishing to offer papers to be considered for presentation at the workshop should send an abstract (not exceeding 1 page) by 30 May 2009 to the workshop organiser:

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Following the refereeing process, applicants will be advised as to the acceptance or otherwise of their proposed presentation by the workshop organiser by 30 June 2009.
The Balkans and the Middle East Countries
2nd International Conference on Auditing and Accounting History
(2. BMAC)

Call for Papers

The Balkans and Middle East Countries 2nd International Conference on Auditing and Accounting History (BMAC) – the first of which was held in Edirne in 2007 - will be held in Istanbul between 15-18 September 2010. One of the prime reasons for choosing this venue is that Istanbul has been chosen as the European Capital of Culture for 2010. Another reason is that September is an ideal time, from the point of view of climate conditions and touristic activities, to visit this part of the world. Istanbul, is one of the most important cities in the area and possesses a deep historical character. This city has hosted several civilizations at various periods in history. It has been the capital city of two world-empires: Byzantine and Ottoman.

With the dawn of the 21st Century, economic globalization has directed the Balkans and the Middle East towards a changing process of accounting recording and auditing rules, especially within the context of developments in the European Union. Africa, Central Asia and South East Asia have also been faced with the same requirements. On the one hand, these requirements have shown themselves in the globalization of accounting standards. On the other hand, they have made their presence felt in auditing standards. Naturally, this conference is oriented towards the requirements of a large geographical area.

It is not unremarkable that accounting history has been growing rapidly not only in western countries but also in the above mentioned national cultures in this geographic region. In addition to that, the belief that today’s accounting and auditing needs will be shaped by historical developments is being reinforced.

The conference theme is Auditing and Culture in Accounting from Past to Present. The conference topics are as follows:
- Development of internal and external auditing in accounting in today’s education, literature and practice areas,
- Accounting history (accounting history from old civilizations and empires to the 21st Century)

The official language of the conference is English. The papers must be submitted in English and the abstracts should not be over 150 words. Papers should be submitted electronically to info@mufad.org before 30 April 2010. Notifications of acceptance will be sent by 30 May 2010.

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This international forum is designed for emerging scholars of all ages and career stages, including doctoral degree students, new faculty and other emerging accounting researchers who have an interest in accounting’s past and present and who seek directions and guidance in embarking upon and undertaking specific historical accounting research projects.

The inaugural forum will be held at the Certosa di Pontignano of the University of Siena which is located in Pontignano in Tuscany and is only a short distance from Siena. The forum will be led by Garry Carnegie and Brian West of the University of Ballarat, Australia who are the joint editors of Accounting History, the journal of the Accounting History Special Interest Group of the Accounting and Finance Association of Australia and New Zealand.

Other senior faculty members participating in the colloquium are also members of the Accounting History editorial team and will include Angelo Riccaboni, University of Siena, Italy; Nola Buhr, University of Saskatchewan, Canada; Christopher Napier, Royal Holloway, University of London, UK and Lucia Lima Rodrigues, University of Minho, Portugal.

Research proposals and brief bibliographical details should be forwarded to Garry Carnegie by 15 April 2009: g.carnegie@ballarat.edu.au

Further information is available at the IAHEC website: http://www.disas.unisi.it/ahiec/index.php

Inquiries may be directed to the Colloquium Convenor, Elena Giovannoni, University of Siena, at the following e-mail address: giovannoni@dii.unisi.it

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Jointly-Sponsored by the Accounting Society of China (ASC) & the Academy of Accounting Historians (AAH)

15th-16th August 2009, Guanghua School of Management, Peking University, Beijing, China

Main Theme: New Accounting History in the Changing Era

Papers are invited on all historical themes related to the development of accounting (e.g. management accounting; financial accounting and reporting; audit) around the world—and particularly in the Asia-Pacific region—which can offer insights for understanding recent changes not only in accounting but in any aspect of the modern and future economic and social development of China and its cities; or which draw on the history of Chinese accounting from ancient to modern times in understanding developments elsewhere in the world. Methodologies may be primarily theoretical or empirical, including historical narrative.

The conference languages will be English and Chinese (Mandarin) and some simultaneous translation facilities will be provided. Presentations will be mainly in English on the first day, and in Chinese (with English Abstracts and Slides) on the second day.

Deadlines:
Contact: Professor Liansheng WU wuls@gsm.pku.edu.cn or Professor Hiroshi OKANO okano@bus.osaka-cu.ac.jp
Languages used: English or Chinese (Putonghua).
The title page must include the title of the paper, with no mention of the name(s) of the author(s) or of institutional details. Submissions should as far as possible follow the style guidelines of The Accounting Historians Journal. If submitted in Chinese, the abstract (with the title) and key words must also be translated into English.
Abstract (150 words), Times New Roman 10, italic Keywords (up to 6)

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