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# The Third Accounting History International Emerging Scholars' Colloquium (3AHIESC)

The third Accounting History International Emerging Scholars' Colloquium (3AHIESC) was recently held in Paris during 8-10 July 2012. The third event in the series built upon the success of the previous two colloquiums held respectively in Siena, Italy and Vallendar, Germany. Attended by sixteen emerging scholars from a total of seven different countries, the colloquium was hosted at the SKEMA Business School, Parisian campus at La Défense within the major business district of Paris

At the opening of the Colloquium, the plenary address was presented by Lee Parker, Professor of Accounting at the University of South Australia, and joint editor of the Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal. The address was entitled "Half time at the game: Messages from the coaching box." His address contained valuable advice to emerging scholars on how to improve their projects and research strategies, and how to publish in relevant journals, and how to navigate journal rankings and citation counts. After such an inspiring address by the 'coach,' cocktails

were served; allowing participants and panel members to mingle in a relaxed setting, while reflecting on the key messages that were delivered.

Over the following two days, delegates gave 15 minute presentations of their research proposals to the seven panel members, followed by 15 minutes of questions and discussion where constructive and helpful feedback was provided to the delegates. Led by Garry Carnegie of the School of Accounting, RMIT University and joint editor of Accounting History, the panel members comprised Lisa Evans (University of Stirling, UK), Elena Giovannoni (University ofSiena. Italy). Delfina Gomes (Universidade do Minho, Portugal), Marc Nikitin (University of Orleans, France), Lee Parker (University of South Australia) and Henri Zimnovitch (Université Paris-Sud 11).

Presentations of research proposals were organized into six sessions in all. The sessions concentrated on the following major themes: Accounting and Investors, Accounting Education, Ac-

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counting and Society, Professionalization of Accounting, Accounting and the State as well as Accounting's Past in Italy. Fascinating insights into accounting's past were revealed across different locations and centuries.

During the breaks and various social events, which included a visit to the accounting archives of the Sèvres Museum and a memorable dinner aboard a "bateau-mouche," panel members were able to discuss with the participants their research projects in a more informal setting. The colloquium concluded with a reflection on the lessons derived from participation

The feedback from Colloquium participants was that the interac-

tion with other participants and the panel members fostered a strong sense of community. It is trusted that the messages from the 'coach' and the valuable feedback and guidance received, motivates the participants to complete their research projects and develop quality papers for publication and may also result in new joint projects on accounting's past, in the future

The 4AHIESC will be held as part of the seventh Accounting History International Conference (7AHIC) in Seville, Spain, and is scheduled to take place on 25 September 2013.

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## Academy Presents Accounting History Boot Camp at American Accounting Association National Meeting in Washington, DC

On Sunday, August 5, 2012, members of the Academy presented a workshop entitled "Accounting History Boot Camp: How to Conduct Research in Accounting History" at the national meeting of the AAA. This CPE session had nearly 30 people in attendance and was a good lead-in

to the annual ice cream social that was sponsored by the Academy on Sunday evening.

The workshop was designed to inspire new membership in the Academy and provide "how-to" information to academics who are

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