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The Sea as a whole - Ideological reservoir and environmental concerns
5th Summer School in Environmental History
Porto, Portugal // 4-8 July 2014

Porto University (UP-FL) and the National Science Foundation (FCT), with the support of the *European Society for Environmental History* (ESEH), and the *Research Centre for Transdisciplinary Studies, Culture, Space and Memory* (CITCEM) are organizing the **5th ESEH Summer School 2014**.

This four-day ESEH graduate student Summer School will take place immediately before the 2nd WORLD CONGRESS ON ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY (2ND WCEH) to be held in Guimarães, Portugal, from July 8th to 12th, 2014.

(<http://www.wceh2014.ecum.uminho.pt/Default.aspx?tabid=1&pageid=37&lang=en-US>).

Our goal is to gather some 15 graduate (and post-doctoral) researchers with junior and senior scholars who will all give formal and informal presentations, individually and in groups, for promoting rich methodological discussions. Places are available for doctoral students and immediate postdocs.

Place and date:

Porto, Portugal, 4-8 July 2014

(arrival on 4th July by 12:00 and departure on 8th July at 12:00 to Guimarães)

Themes and Orientations of the Program

Under the umbrella theme “The Sea as a Whole”, this Summer school seeks to be inclusive in developing sub-topics that deal with the oceans in a broad sense such as:

- Rethinking sources and methodology: theory and interdisciplinary beyond a nationalist history
- The long term interaction of humans and marine life: how changed marine fauna ecosystems across centuries
- Colonial history and biological exchange across oceans
- Environmental concerns and disasters (climate, sea level, etc.) as a narrative of communities’ resilience

Structure of the Conference

In a friendly atmosphere, the Porto Summer School will provide each student the opportunity to present and discuss their work to colleagues and to specialists of the field.

The days will be structured around lectures and discussions, participants’ presentations, fieldwork and field trips.

Participants will be asked to give a presentation (15 minutes) on the sources, archives, and documents of any kind that form the basis of their research. Students do not need to be specialists in oceans to participate; any historical work that touches upon oceans or seas is welcome.

During the Summer School students will create scientific posters about their work. Five of these posters will be presented in one of the sessions of the “Second World Congress of Environmental History, Environmental History in the Making”: 8-12 July 2014, Guimarães, Portugal.

Registration details

An application for the summer school consists of sending the organizers a **single email note** [Subject Line: ESEH 2013 Summer School] that includes: 1) a curriculum vitae, 2) an abstract and outline of the doctoral thesis or other work that states the main challenges and research questions (no more than 500 words), and 3) a letter of support from a faculty member.

All accepted participants will receive free room & board during this four-day seminar (in shared rooms), but participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from Porto, Portugal.

Working language is English.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 31 March 2014.

Please send all queries (and application) to: Inês Amorim, inesamorimflup@gmail.com
ESEH Summer School Committee for 2013-2015 <http://eseh.org/event/summer-school/>