

SIXTH ASEHISMI INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

POLITICAL POWER AND MILITARY EXPANSIONISM IN HISTORY

A constant in History is the desire of the great powers to extend their dominions. Lands of navigators and adventurers, most of the great ancient empires had their centers of power in the Mediterranean, expanding over part of the world during the Middle Ages. From the fifteenth century to the present, the insatiable desire to conquer left the world divided into large colonial empires. In their quest to realize their “manifest destiny,” the great powers employed their armed forces to dominate, occupy, and control huge territories and their inhabitants. This common past left a deep mark on international relations between the imperial protagonists and on the neo-imperialism of today.

In light of these historical and current realities, the Spanish Association of Military History (ASEHISMI), faithful to its mission of promoting research on issues of contemporary relevance, will convene an interdisciplinary academic conference to study the role that military power has played in the major processes of political expansion throughout history and the ways in which they have affected the colonizers as well as the colonized.

CALL FOR PAPERS

1. ASEHISMI convenes its Sixth International Conference, dedicated to the study of the role that military power has played in the processes of great territorial expansion throughout history and their social impact.
2. The Conference will be held in Granada, Spain, May 21-24, 2019, at the Triunfo Hall of the Granada University (Hospicio Ave., no. 1). Closure session will be hosted at the former General Captaincy Palace (San Juan de la Cruz Sq., no. 26).
3. The Conference will be organized in five panels or sessions, in general terms corresponding to Antiquity, the Middle Ages, the Modern Age, Contemporary History, and the Present. An academic tour is also planned.
4. ASEHISMI welcomes the submission of proposals of original and unpublished papers, preferably written in Spanish or English that analyze the essence and transcendence of said question from antiquity to the present.
5. We will also welcome proposals focused on any other cross-disciplinary theme (anthropological, archeological, cultural, economic, statistic, literary, juridical, political, psychological, sanitary, sociological, technological, etc.) as long as they are directly related to the main aim of the conference.
6. Those proposing papers must commit to personally present a brief draft of the paper at the corresponding conference session. Otherwise, their papers, even if accepted and scheduled for presentation, will not be presented or published.
7. Proposals must be sent to congreso@asehismi.es before the date indicated below, with the subject line “Paper proposal VI ASEHISMI Conference” and an indication of the session in which the paper will be presented. The Organizing Committee will acknowledge receipt of all proposals submitted but will accept only proposals that pertain directly to the conference theme and are evaluated positively by the Conference Program Committee. If no reply has been received within a week, proposal authors should resend their proposals.
8. Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. Intrinsic quality: the Program Committee will give preference to proposals that make good use of primary and secondary sources and make factual or interpretative contributions to the existing historiography.
 2. Thematic relevance and originality: preference will be given to proposals highlighting armed implication at great empires expansion.
 3. Global perspective: the Committee will give preference to proposals that offer a broad vision of the historical period of the corresponding session.
9. Once a proposal is accepted, non-members of ASEHISMI must pay a 50-euro conference fee before March 15, 2019. Otherwise, the proposal will be disallowed. The conference fee is waived for ASEHISMI members.
10. All proposals presented at the conference and evaluated positively will be published in 2020, provided that the complete, final text is submitted before the date indicated below, that it is approved by the review committee, and that it is formatted according to ASEHISMI Norms of Format and Style. The evaluation process will have two phases:
1. The Program Committee will ensure that the paper meets the established criteria: theme, originality, quality of the documentary sources, format and style.
 2. After passing phase 1, the paper will be subject to double-blind peer review.
11. Information about the Conference will be regularly updated at ASEHISMI web (www.asehismi.es).
12. Deadlines:
- February 1, 2019:** receipt of an abstract of the proposal (300 words in Word format), including name and academic degree of the author, organization to which the he or she belongs, postal address, telephone and email address, three to six key words, and main research sources used.
- March 1, 2019:** acceptance of approved proposals.
- April 15, 2018:** submission of receipts showing payment of conference fee or the proposal author's application for ASEHISMI membership
- April 30, 2019:** submission of draft papers to be read personally at the Conference (1500 words/20 minutes).
- June 1, 2019:** authors will be informed of the actual edition foresight and will receive the ASEHISMI Norms of Format and Style.
- September 1, 2019:** submission of the complete text of the paper for publication (7000 words in Word format, notes and bibliography included), formatted according to ASEHISMI Norms of Format and Style.

Madrid, October 15, 2018.