The Forum on European Expansion and Global Interaction is pleased to announce its eighth biennial conference, an opportunity for scholars to gather, exchange ideas, and participate in conversation about the causes and consequences of increased global interaction in the period between 1450 and 1850.

We welcome papers that explore any facet of early-modern encounters. We especially encourage proposals that offer an imaginative re-framing of “European Expansion and Global Interactions” in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian Ocean Worlds. We are eager to read a wide range of proposals, including work that takes an interdisciplinary approach (including art, literature, economics, gender studies, environmental studies, for example) and papers that present African, American, Asian, or Australian/Pacific Islands perspectives on this period of expansion.

Although we prefer individual paper proposals, panels may also be submitted for consideration; panels may be re-organized to fit a larger program organized thematically in order to encourage comparative thinking outside the bounds of regional histories.

FEEGI hopes to provide some financial support to graduate students who are on the program.

Proposals should include paper title, 250-300 word abstract, and the name, affiliation, and contact information of the presenter, along with a 2-page CV. Panel proposals should include this information for all participants, plus a 250-word rationale for the full panel and the name and contact information for the panel coordinator compiled in a single document.

Please send proposals for individual papers or full panels as email attachments (Word.doc or pdf) by 1 September 2009

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