

The "Labour In Mining – Working Group" Newsletter 2021 sent january 2021

First of all we wish you a happy new year 2021. We hope that you are fine despite this difficult time.

During this year 2020, LiM group has worked quite hard to set up plenty of new projects and activities: conferences, blog series, workshops, collaborative projects, and many more!

1. Conferences

Forthcoming conferences involving LiM

4th ELHN-WORCK Conference - Vienna 30th August-1st September 2021

LiM confirmed its participation in this conference with 4 panel sessions and 11 speakers. Here you can find the list of selected papers: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/865</u> Here you can find the CFP: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/832</u> News will be published here: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/category/elhn2021</u> For now, the conference is confirmed as a physical event, but we will give participants the possibility to attend online. We will keep you informed. Information about deadlines and logistics for speakers and discussants will follow in the next months.

Other Forthcoming conferences

EESCH Conference, Online, 24-27 March 2020

Some of our members will participate in this conference with contributions related to mining history. We will soon publish a post on our blog with a list of all the contributions that may be of some interest.

Comparing the Copperbelt, Oxford 17-19 June 2021

Originally planned for February 2021, the conference is postponed to June 2021. We would like to dedicate a post about it on our blog, so if you are participating in this conference, please send us the title of your contribution and, if you would like too, a small abstract.

2. Workshops and Seminars

Workshops involving LiM

LiM will participate in a seminar organized by the Spanish group Red de Historia Social de la Mineria in Alicante, originally planned for spring 2021. Due to the difficult situation related to the pandemic, the seminar has been delayed but LiM confirmed its interest in participating. We will keep you informed.

Forthcoming Seminars

France: "La Mine une affaire d'Etat": online seminar organized by Centre Norbert Elias and coordinated by Christine Demmer (chargée de recherche au CNRS; Boris Deschanel (maître de conférences à l'Université d'Avignon); Marion Fontaine (maître de conférences à l'Université d'Avignon); Pierre-Yves Le Meur (directeur de recherches IRD-GRED) – explores the multiple relations between mining (as an economy, industry, communities, culture, environment ...) and the State, in a transnational and interdisciplinary perspective. Every month, historians and anthropologists question the boundaries that separate – or sometimes confuse – Companies and public institutions. Find more information here: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/895</u>

>> If you are organizing conferences, seminars or workshops about mining history and related disciplines, please send us information! We will be glad to share it via our social networks

3. Publications

We are actively working to publish a selection of papers discussed during the 3rd ELHN 2019 in Amsterdam. We have made a proposal to AREAS-REVISTA INTERNACIONAL DE CIENCIAS SOCIALES, and the editor welcomes our Special Issue. AREAS is an academic peer-review journal published since 1981 and we hope for good news very soon.

4. Blog Activities

Articles Selection

Keep an eye on publications (articles and books) highlighted on our blog, where we regularly post in a series called "*Articles Selection*": <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/734</u> The latest issue Articles' selection 7: winter 2020-2021 here: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/840</u>

We have also dedicated two special posts to articles related to *Covid-19 and Mining Industry*. Here: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/841</u>

Books selection

We have recently launched a new series called "*Books selection*" in which we list some interesting books published in 2019 and 2020 about mining history or related topics. Here: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/826</u>

>> You are highly invited to send us your suggestions as we regularly publish posts in these series.

New Blog Series

There are also some new series that will appear on our blog in 2021. First of all, **The Young Mining Historians Corner** : every month a young member of the group is invited to introduce his/her research/thesis with a short post that will be published on the blog. If you are a PhD candidate or a young Doctor please send us your proposal !

Collaborative Projects

We also launch a collaborative project called **Database of Mining History Databases** : Databases and open access sources have become crucial for researchers, especially these days in which the actual pandemic crisis does not allow to travel on the field or to archives. This is why WG LiM launches a call for contribution to create a "database of databases" related to Mining History. The aim is to gather in one place a large number of references of databases and sources available in open access. You are highly invited to send us notification about existing databases or open access sources' collection, in order to create a preliminary list that will be published in a post under the menu "Sources and Resources" you can find on the top of the Homepage. Here you find the call for contribution : https://lim.hypotheses.org/870

All the Calls for Contribution

All the information about Calls for Contribution are gathered in this blog permanent page: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/?p=888</u>

5. Members

New Members

In 2020 we have welcomed:

- Adrien Quièvre, PhD Candidate at Lille University, who works on Mining anthropology and sound environment in the french coal mines.

- Antonin Plairier, Associate professor at Lyon III University, who works on algerian mining industry, particularly Mokta el Hadid

-Guy Solomon, Associate Lecturer at Open University, who has recently defended a thesis about 19th mining industry in Britain

Senior Members: information update

In 2021 we would like to update the member list. Send us an email to labourinmining@gmail.com to update your personal information. You have time until 31th March 2021.

6. News on board

And finally, some changes in the Coordination Board: we are glad to welcome José Joaquin Garcia Gomez, who will replace Miguel A. Perez de Perceval, and Gabriele Marcon who has been associated with the Coordination board to support the communication and organizational issues.

>> We are always open to suggestions and remarks. We are also glad to receive news from you and updates about your researches. Write us: labourinmining@gmail.com

>> Do not forget to subscribe on our social networks: we are on Facebook and Twitter. Find all the information here: <u>https://lim.hypotheses.org/social-networks</u>

Wishing you all the best for this year 2021, we would like to fiercely encourage all our colleagues that are facing difficult moments related to the pandemic and its critical consequences on higher education.

Hold Hard and Stay Safe

King regards

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