

1st International Seminar

The Spanish Monarchy and Safavid Persia in the early modern period: Politics, War and Religion.

Madrid, 7th November 2013

Call for papers:

ISHMP invites papers from research students and established scholars involved in the study of the multifaceted relationships between the Spanish Monarchy and Safavid Persia in the early modern period. Emphasis will be placed upon political, military and religious themes, although papers on other areas of research will be considered. We would welcome high-quality papers from scholars based anywhere in the world with a view to publishing the conference proceedings (papers will be peer-reviewed). Authors are asked to contribute to this seminar by submitting an abstract that sets out their research findings and how these influence our understanding of the relationship between the Spanish Monarchy and Safavid Persia in the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

The frontiers of knowledge:

Recent scholarship has shed light on the relationship between the Spanish Monarchy and the Safavid Persian Empire in the sixteenth- and seventeenth-centuries. Over the last twenty years, historians have outlined the strong diplomatic links between ‘the Sophi’ and ‘His Catholic Majesty’. The foundations of this relationship were set down during the reign of Shah Abbas I. This diplomatic relationship was of considerable strategic importance, being conceived of as part of a coherent military and economic strategy directed against the common enemy of both regimes – the Ottoman Empire. Most recent academic studies have focused attention on diplomatic relations and the social status of immigrants from Persia to Spain, looking in depth at their integration, employment, intellectual life and their legacy. The aim of this seminar is to extend the frontiers of knowledge, examining all aspects of the relationship between the Spanish Monarchy and Safavid Persia in the early modern period. Particular emphasis will be placed on topics or themes that require innovative approaches and methodologies.

Norms for contribution to the 1st International Seminar on the Spanish Monarchy and Persia in the early modern period 2013.

Submitted papers must be original and not under consideration by a journal or any other conference. They must conform to the house style with regard to footnotes and academic apparatus (these will be issued nearer to the date.) Submitted papers are accepted for publication only after favourable review by at least two independent referees. They should be in Spanish or English and should preferably not exceed 6,000 words with an English abstract in less than 200 words and up to five key words.

Papers should be submitted via email to Dr. José Cutillas jose.cutillas@ua.es Paper can be submitted as a word document and must not exceed 2MB. Please include your full

name, institutional affiliation (if any) and email address ONLY in the body of the email; no names or affiliation should be included in the paper for blind peer review process.

Edition Timetable

07/11/2013 Seminar in IH, CSIC

15/02/2014 Deadline for submission of full papers for double blind peer review
September 2014. Publication

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