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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The 9th Annual International Conceptual History Conference - Crossroads: Writing Conceptual History beyond the Nation-State. August 24-26, 2006, in Uppsala, Sweden. Registration will open in the afternoon of Wednesday, August 23.

The theme alludes to the fact that currently the nation centered model for conceptual history is being overcome. One way or another, conceptual history has to face up to the challenge of analyzing the reception, dissemination and translocation of concepts across borders. It will have to probe the possibility of writing transnational conceptual accounts. Sessions will focus on the presentation of results of comparative histories of concepts. One special session will be devoted to the intellectual legacy of the late Reinhart Koselleck. For more information contact [crossroads@swedishcollegium.se](mailto:crossroads@swedishcollegium.se).

I Seminario Internacional de Historia Conceptual Comparada del Mundo Iberoamericano. April 10-11, 2006, in Madrid, Spain. The project and results of the *Diccionario Histórico del Lenguaje Político y Social* were presented and discussed among coordinators. Papers were presented on the following concepts: *Constitución* (José María Portillo Valdés), *Opinión Pública* (Noemí Goldman), *América/americanos* (João Feres Júnior), *República/republicanos* (Georges Lomné), *Liberalismo/liberal* (Javier Fernández Sebastián), *Historia* (Guillermo Zermeño), *Ciudadano/vecino* (Cristóbal Aljovín de Losada), and *Federalismo* (Fátima Sá).

52<sup>nd</sup> International Congress of Americanists – July 17-21, 2006, at the Universidad de Sevilla, Seville, Spain. Its immediate goal is to contribute to the progress of ethnographical, historical, and linguistic studies on the Americas. For information on the wide variety of activities of this year's triannual congress visit [www.52ica.com](http://www.52ica.com).

Helsinki Summer School: Introduction to Conceptual History. August 8-24, 2006, Helsinki, Finland. Concepta, the International Research School in Conceptual History and Political Thought, offered its pilot summer course, *Introduction to Conceptual History*, in cooperation with Helsinki Summer School, the Centre for Nordic Studies, University of Helsinki, and the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy, University of Jyväskylä, in August 2005. The participants' responses to the course were constructive and exceptionally positive, and encouraged the organisers to plan a second summer course for August 2006.

This year three new institutions were added to the organization team: the Danish Research School for History; the Finnish Centre of Excellence in Political Thought and Conceptual Change at the University of Jyväskylä; and VAKAVA, the National Graduate School for Political Science and International Relations. Along with introductory lectures and workshops, the 2006 course will feature a two-day case study seminar on *Contemporary Trends in Conceptual History*. The seminar will be held on August 17-18 and will include research presentations by senior and younger scholars. We are delighted to welcome new participants, as well as those already familiar with the summer course, to enjoy stimulating discussions and debates in a relaxed atmosphere in Helsinki this August.

In order to complete the course successfully, participants will be required to participate in the lectures and workshops and to complete a written assignment. The course is suitable for Finnish and international Ph.D. and advanced M.A. students from various academic backgrounds. Nevertheless, an interest in the humanities and political thought is an asset. Participants are encouraged to contact the organisers if they would like to present their own work-in-progress in conceptual history and related fields in the workshops.

This 6/10 ECTS credit Helsinki Summer School course is organised and hosted by the University of Helsinki and its Centre for Nordic Studies (CENS) at the Renvall Institute, in cooperation with the Finnish Centre of Excellence in Political Thought and Conceptual Change, University of Jyväskylä; VAKAVA, National Graduate School for Political Science and the International Relations and Danish Research School for History.

For more information visit the Helsinki Summer School website at <http://www.helsinki.fi/summerschool>. Please direct any questions concerning the course to the coordinator, Sanna Joutsijoki, at [sanna.joutsijoki@helsinki.fi](mailto:sanna.joutsijoki@helsinki.fi).