



**VIII INTERNACIONAL CONFERENCE OF
YOUNG CONTEMPORARY
HISTORY RESEARCHERS
University of Valladolid**

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FIRST NEWSLETTER

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Following the previous Conference held at the University of Granada, the **VIII International Conference of Young Researchers in Contemporary History of the Asociación de Historia Contemporánea** will take place in Valladolid on **7th, 8th and 9th July 2021**, with the collaboration of the Faculty of Philosophy and Literature and the Contemporary History Area of the HMCAPCAP Department of University of Valladolid. Our goal is to offer a space of debate for young researchers in Contemporary History. Although the topic of the Workshops and *Scriptoria* will be free, in this Conference we would like to highlight the importance of *The Forgotten ones*, for which we offer some lines of work: feminism and gender studies, research focused on studies of Asia, Africa and America and the analysis of “invisible” actors, processes and events throughout History. However, these are only suggestions and all proposals sent within the framework of Contemporary History are welcome, bearing in mind that the aim of the Conference is to exchange opinions, broaden knowledge, debate and create networks.

The programme of this Conference will follow the dynamics of the past editions and will consist of Workshops and *Scriptoria*. Also, there are keynote speaker lectures, a round table and cultural activities in the city of Valladolid to create spaces for dissemination and colloquial debates.

This FIRST NEWSLETTER **opens the submission of Workshops and *Scriptoria* proposals**. A maximum number of two/three coordinators per Workshops and *Scriptoria* have been established. They may belong to the same University/Institution, although it will be valued that they come from different centers. Proposals may be submitted in Spanish or English, those interested must fill out the form provided on the [VIII Conference website](#), and in the following links, click here for Workshops —[Word](#) or [PDF](#)— and click here for

Scriptoria —[Word](#) or [PDF](#). The filled form must be sent to joveneshcuva@gmail.com before the **29th May 2020**.

Regarding **Workshops**, and following the criteria established by the previous organizers, a specific number of Workshops has been established, between 15 and 20; to be created, a Workshop needs to have a minimum of 5 communications and a maximum of 20 to adapt the duration of Workshops to the objectives of the Conference. If any of the Workshops do not obtain the minimum number of communications, the organization will try to merge those addressing similar issues. We want to underline **the importance of the role of the coordinators**, therefore, we suggest the need for them to work and distribute a dossier among the participants of their Workshop with the necessary anticipation where the general lines of the Workshop are included, for thus being able to start and organize an agile debate between each of the communicators and to be able to draw reflections and joint conclusions. Considering that, this will allow the Workshops to become spaces for the debate with an extended timeframe instead of presenting the full communications. Secondly, the participants, in addition to previously reading their colleagues communications, would have access to a document on the work and they would be able to develop ideas and arguments.

Concerning, the participation of the **communicators**, it is agreed that there will be a maximum number of two people for each communication. Although it is advisable that all authors attend the Conference, it will be only mandatory that one of them will defend their research personally.

All participants whose communications are accepted must send a full text, whose rules and deadline will be discussed in following newsletters. Although detailed information on the possible publication of these texts will be made public later, **the workshops coordinators will have the responsibility of selecting external reviewers** —peer review— to evaluate communications and thus make a selection, in the most rigorous possible way, of those texts that should be included in the publication —or publications. Ultimately, the Organizing Committee will have the final decision about publication.

In the case of the **Scriptoria**, these can be freely proposed, just like the Workshops, consisting, in this case, of a much more open debate space that can have multiple purposes: debate on a historiographic problem, elaboration of a collective work, preparation of future dissemination projects —exhibitions, conferences..., etc. The assistance to the *Scriptoria* is free and their methodology as well. In short, these are dynamic spaces that will serve to relate researchers with common concerns and perspectives of joint work, and may have started before the Conference and/or have continuity afterwards.

The logistic conditions for *Scriptoria* will be the same as those for Workshops (logically, with the adaptations that may be required depending on the innovative nature of the format proposed). Proposals will be sent to the email address indicated — joveneshcuva@gmail.com— and the deadline is not yet fixed, but will be delayed until the *Scriptoria* are consolidated. The proposals will be disseminated once they have been received for the knowledge of the young historiographic community. In case of doubts about how to articulate a *Scriptorium*, the organization will be at the disposal of the proponents to resolve any questions that may arise.

In order to avoid future confusions, those who participate in the Conference must register regardless of whether they attend the event or not—in the case of co-authored papers and presented by one of the authors. One person can coordinate a Workshop or a *Scriptorium* and then participate, if desired, with a paper in another Workshop. The maximum number of papers presented is one per person, that is, participants may only be part of one workshop. All proposals received will be confirmed by the Organizing Committee in the shortest period of time.

On another note, we announce that a tab has been created on the website of the Conference to include information related to future nominations for the next venue of the IX Conference of Young Researchers in Contemporary History of the Asociación de Historia Contemporánea in 2023. A specific newsletter will be published explaining the procedure to be followed by those teams who wish to apply to host the next Conference.

As mentioned above, the deadline for sending Workshops proposals is **May 29th 2020**, when the period for their reception will be closed. During June 2020, SECOND NEWSLETTER will be published, which will open the period for sending communications for the accepted workshops.

Finally, we would like to thank our colleagues of Granada for the support received to promote this future Conference. We hope to live up to our predecessors.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us through the e-mail of VIII Conference: joveneshcuva@gmail.com and consult the [website](#).

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We appreciate your attention, cordially,

The Organizing Committee

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