

Scribal News and News Cultures in Late Stuart and Early Georgian Britain

International Workshop

organized by the German Historical Institute London and the History of Parliament Trust

London, 14 December

Venues:

History of Parliament Trust, 18 Bloomsbury Square, London WC1A 2NS

German Historical Institute London, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London WC1A 2NJ

9.30 Welcome and Introduction

Robin Eagles (HoP) & Michael Schaich (GHIL)

10.00 A Developing Industry? News in Britain

Stephen Taylor (Durham): The anatomy of a Catholic newsletter in Restoration England

Alex Barber (Durham): 'Often in the wrong': Scribal news in the early eighteenth century

11.15 Tea and Coffee

11.30 A Developing Industry? News in Britain (cont.)

Rachel King (UCSB): Genres of manuscript news: commercial, diplomatic, confidential

Leith Davis (Simon Fraser): Newsletters and newspapers during the 1715-16 Jacobite uprising

12.45 Lunch

14.00 Britain and International News Cultures

Robin Eagles (HoP): The Reporting of international news in the Wigton Newsletters, 1715-1725

Jason Peacey (UCL): 'A knowing but a discrete man': Diplomatic networks and information management, 1660-1688

15.15 Tea and Coffee

15.30 Diplomacy and the Currency of News

Charles Littleton (HoP): Huguenot reporting about Parliament during the first years of George I's reign

Ugo Bruschi (Bologna): Early eighteenth-century England, a jigsaw puzzle to Italian diplomats: Their sources of information, and when they failed them

16.45 Tea and Coffee

17.00 Round Table

Chair: Rachel Foxley (Reading)