

**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 2018**

Venues:

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

German Historical Institute London, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London WC1A 2NJ (afternoon)

9.30 Welcome and Introduction

Robin Eagles (HoP) & Michael Schaich (GHIL)

10.00 A Developing Industry? News in Britain

Chair: Stephen Roberts (HoP)

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.)

Chair: Paul Seaward (HoP)

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

Leith Davis (Simon Fraser): News networks, cultural memory and the 1715-16 Jacobite uprising

12.45 Lunch

14.00 Britain and International News Cultures

Chair: Kate Loveman (Leicester)

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

Chair: Leonie James (Kent)

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)