

2014-2015

Marta Macedo (Portugol)

Marta Macedo is a postdoctoral researcher at the Interuniversity Center for the History of Science and Technology ([CIUHCT](http://www.ciuhct.com)), University of Lisbon. Her current work deals with imperial science, technology and agricultural commodities in the twentieth century. By following cocoa, from the field to the industrial spaces, she studies the way planters, experts, labourers, trees, machines, and laboratories built the colonial landscapes of São Tomé and Ghana. Using approaches from the history of technology, history of science, history of medicine and environmental history, she aims at understanding how specific technoscientific systems were set in place and how they helped to build and sustain Portuguese and British colonial power. Alongside with cocoa plants, Marta is also interested in the role of science and technology in establishing labor and racial relations.

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John B Lourdasamy (India)

Associate Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Science, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India. Dr. Lourdasamy had obtained his doctorate from the University of Oxford for his thesis on “Science and National Consciousness: A Study of the Response to Modern Science in Colonial Bengal, 1870-1930”. He was also a Queen Elizabeth Visiting Scholar at the Department of History and Sociology of Science, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. Dr. Lourdasamy’s books include: [*Science and National Consciousness in Bengal, 1870-1930*](#), (2004) and [*Religion and Modern Science in Colonial Bengal, 1870-1940*](#), (2007). Most recently, he has been inducted into the twelve-member Research Council of Indian National Commission for History of Science for the period 2014-16, by the Indian National Science Academy (INSA). His major current research projects include: the growth of medical institutions in colonial southern India; and the history of the tea and coffee plantation industry in southern India.

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Édison Renato da Silva (Brazil)

Édison Renato Silva received his DSc in Production Engineering from Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ), and has worked at Production Engineering School at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro State (UNIRIO). His dissertation examined, from an epistemological point of view, the growing distance between the result of academic activities and the needs of practice in the field of Management since the beginning of the 20th Century. His research interests include methods for systematic literature reviews, philosophy of engineering and history of engineering. His current research projects in the field of history of engineering involve producing a short documentary about Professor Pedro Silva Telles, the most accomplished historian of engineering in Brazil, and a book about the history of Production Engineering in Brazil. He has also published a book (in Portuguese) with Professor Domício Proença Jr. about methods for systematic literature reviews.

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2013-2014

Natalia Nikiforova (Russia)

Natalia Nikiforova is a senior lecturer at the Saint-Petersburg State Polytechnical University of Russia. She defended her PhD thesis, entitled “The Concept of “Technology” in Cultural Researches of the 20th century” in 2011, in which she explored the meanings of “technology” in connection with the problems of society and culture, and the symbolical implications of technology in political rhetoric and public discourse. Her current research interests focus on the cultural history of electricity in 19th century Russia, particularly in the electrification of Russian imperial residences and court ceremonies, the usage of electricity in representation of emperors’ power. Natalia Nikiforova is also an assistant editor at interdisciplinary journal “[Society. Environment. Development \(TERRA HUMANA\)](#)” that centers on the sustainable development of society.

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2012-2013

Ruth Morgan (Australia)

Kenzo Okuda (Japan)

Vijaya Singh (India)

Ramya Swayamprakash (India)

Ramya Swayamprakash is currently pursuing a Master’s in Urban Design at Lawrence Tech in Southfield, MI, USA. She was a research fellow at Yale (2012-13). Her research interests include “water bureaucracies,” cities, water, and fish. Her article on engineers in the Central Water Commission in India has been published in [Water History](#) in 2014. She has conducted some preliminary research on the effect of the coming of the Mettur Dam on the Cauvery river in southern India and its effect on fisheries in the first half of the 20th century. Her current research interests revolve around the disconnect between rivers as they are ‘designed’ through plans and on papers, and rivers as they flow.

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2011-2012

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2010-2011

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2009-2010

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Manyong Moon is a Research Professor at the Institute for the History of Science, Technology and Civilization, KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea. He is studying history of S&T in Modern Korea, especially history of biology and agriculture, history of scientific institutions, and S&T policies in East Asia. He is participating in a research project on rural development history in Korea and paying attention to rice farming technology and reforestation project. His books include *A Documentary History of the Development of Modern Science in Korea* (2004), and *The Formation of Modern Research System in Korea* (2010) written in Korean. He is writing a book entitled "Development of S&T under the Korean Authoritarian Regime" focusing on the relations between politics and S&T in developing countries.

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Dong Lili (China)

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2008-2009

Katya Girschik (Switzerland)

[Seong-Jun Kim \(Korea\)](#)

Hugo Palmarola (Chile)
Srinivasa Rao (India)

2007-2008

Stathis Arapostathis (UK/Greece)
Diana Covell (Australia)
Richard Escalante (Trinidad)
Dagmara Jajesniak-Quast (Germany)

Slawomir Lotysz (Poland)

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Germuska Pál (Hungary)

2005-2007

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Keith Breckenridge (South Africa)

Keith is an Associate Professor and the Deputy Director at Wiser. He writes about the cultural and economic history of South Africa, particularly the gold mining industry, the state and the development of information systems. In the 1980s he studied at Wits and Johns Hopkins and went on to complete his PhD at Northwestern in 1995. His book – [Biometric State: the Global Politics of Identification and Surveillance in South Africa, 1850 to the Present](#) – shows how the South African obsession with Francis Galton's universal fingerprint identity registration served as a 20th century incubator for the current systems of biometric citizenship being developed throughout the South. The book was published by Cambridge University Press in 2014. He has also published quite widely on the history and contemporary politics of biometrics, with important papers in *Africa*, *History Workshop*, the *Journal of Southern African Studies*, *Public Culture* and comparative anthologies on systems of identification.

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Tae-Ho Kim is an Assistant Professor of HK Transnational Humanities Project at the Research Institute of Comparative History and Culture, Hanyang University, Seoul, South Korea. His research interests have covered a variety of topics on the history of science, technology, and medicine in modern Korea, from synthetic fiber industry in the Postwar North Korea (MA thesis, 2001), to rice breeding science and the Green Revolution in South Korea in the era of rapid industrialization (Ph.D. dissertation, 2009), to mobilization of skilled workers through promoting vocational education, and to Korean mechanical typewriter and its legacies to personal computers. His new project at Hanyang University, as a part of a team project on the historical relationship between developmentalist ideology and science, technology, and medicine in modern (South) Korea, is the history of the construction of nutritional science, with case studies on grain (rice) and supplement (vitamin pills).

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Vincent Lagendijk (the Netherlands)

Vincent Lagendijk (1980) is a historian of technology with keen interests in development history, European integration, electricity infrastructures, and international organizations. He has written several publications on the history of the European electricity system and interwar internationalism. His PhD dissertation was published as *Electrifying Europe: The Power of Europe in the Construction of Electricity Networks* (2008). Currently, Vincent is working on a project entitled *Transnationalising the TVA: International River Development in Troubled Waters*. This will result in a monograph examining the transnational dimensions of the exploitation of international rivers, as inspired by the American Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA, 1933). An important element is the international organisation-dimension, and the book zooms in on the role of United Nations' organisations, the COMECON, and World Bank. Vincent works as an assistant professor at the History Department of Maastricht University, the Netherlands.

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