EMIT SOCIETY CFP FOR RSA 2015, BERLIN, 26-28 MARCH

Deadline for submissions for papers: 5 June, 2014
(abstract 150 words, a one-page CV, and 5 descriptors)

The EMIT Society is calling for papers and panel proposals related to the concept of globality, the early modern Hispanic world, and Iberian institutions and cultures.

Global Studies are an important curricular component of an increasing number of universities in the United States and elsewhere. One concept of “globality” behind this academic category is the study of political, economic, and cultural relations between all parts of the world. Since the so-called Columbian Exchange, the continuous process of inter-continental, -racial, -cultural, and -religious encounters has grown ever more omnipresent and complex, producing today’s discussion of concepts such as “global citizenship.” Here, we call for proposals that embrace early modern culture, arts, politics, and economy as a complex global reality.

In past years, the EMIT SOCIETY has had the pleasure of hosting presentations related to the Safavid, Ottoman, and Iberian empires, as well as the Philippines and Goa. These presentations demonstrated the benefits of establishing a forum addressing globality and early modern Iberian networks. Since the Iberian world produced cultural, artistic, and geopolitical expressions on every continent, a wide array of topics could be studied as expressions of these global exchanges, for instance: books, art, artifacts, people, military forces and strategies, treaties, technology, lexical change and transformation, and archeology.

Areas of global contact might be related (but not limited) to:
- The Americas
- Asia and continuities between Japan, Korea, South East Asian powers, Chinese, Mogul, Safavid, Ottoman, Ethiopian, Portuguese, and Spanish Empires
- Arabian Peninsula, East Africa, and the Indian Ocean
- Terra Australis, the Spanish Ocean (Pacific Ocean)
- The interaction between ideologies of millenarianism, religious universalism, military and capitalist colonialism
- Italian political powers
- North African piracy/European corsairs
- Trading outposts and enterprises
- Pilgrimage to holy sites such as Rome, Jerusalem, Mecca, etc.
- Portuguese and Spanish Jesuit *padroados*
- Global history and global literature

Please send your proposals to Juan Pablo Gil-Oslé by no later than 5 June, 2014, at: gilosle1@gmail.com

**Nota Bene:** After the proposals are accepted, every presenter must become a member of the RSA (http://www.rsa.org/) and EMIT Society (http://www.emitsociety.com/index.html) for 2014 and 2015 in order to participate. If submitting a panel proposal, please note that panel chairs cannot be presenters on the same panel(s), which they chair.