

Masterclass 3. Understanding nationalism as a global phenomenon

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When:	Thursday 26 November 2009, 10.00-13.00 hrs.
Credits:	1 ECTS
Venue:	PC Hoofthuis, room 548, Spuistraat 134, Amsterdam
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Fee Huizinga members:	none
Fee others (non-Logos):	€ 50
Participants:	15

During this three hour masterclass PhD students are challenged to discuss issues of nationalism and globalization with John Breuilly, departing from a selection of secondary literature, and – if applicable – their own experiences during their research. The discussions will take place in English.

Prof. Breuilly will argue that nationalism is one response to modern forms of globalisation. He will seek to divide modern globalisation into a series of periods in which the relationship between what he calls hegemony, challengers and peripheries alters. This in turn alters the language and politics of nationalism in different parts of the world, according to period and position within globalisation.

Preparation

Participants will receive a reader in order to actively participate in the discussion.
Content:

- John Breuilly, 'Nationalism', in: John Baylis et al. (eds.), *The Globalisation of World Politics* (Oxford; Oxford University Press, 2008, 4th ed.)
- As an example of the kind of approach that interests Breuilly: Sebastian Conrad, *Globalisierung und Nation im Deutschen Kaiserreich* (Munich, 2006)

Please hand in a summary of your research and motivation for wanting to participate in this masterclass before **16 November**.

About John Breuilly

John Breuilly is professor of Nationalism and Ethnicity at the London School of Economics and Political Science. His expertise lies in modern German history and the comparative history of modern Europe. He is also involved in modern urban history, the history of socialism and liberalism, the history of bourgeois culture and the history and theory of nationalism and of modernisation. John Breuilly is currently working on a project named *Modernisation Theory and German History*. The article 'Modernisation as Social Evolution: The German Case, c.1800-1880?', [Transactions of the Royal Historical Society](#) (Sixth Series, XV, 2005), pp.117-147 sketches out some of the leading ideas of this project.