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The Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Wirtschaftsgeschichte (Society for Social and Economic History) and the Wirtschaftshistorische Ausschuss of the Verein für Socialpolitik (Economic History Committee of the German Economic Association) jointly host their third conference on economic and social history. We invite you to submit contributions.

The conference will include contributions addressing the main theme as well as a free section with no fixed themes.

The main theme is: “Mobility and migration in historical perspective”.

The overcoming of geographical distances has always been a main problem of economic or, more generally, of social interaction. Technological progress enabled humans, goods and information to overcome distances ever faster, particularly in the last two centuries. This improved mobility questioned traditional structures and left behind not only winners but also losers. Therefore, mobility has to be understood as both a geographical (horizontal) and a social (vertical) phenomenon. Both aspects are especially salient in migration movements, which are often a result, but sometimes also a cause for social disturbances.

We welcome contributions exploring the theme from the perspective of individuals, companies, groups or states for the period from the middle ages to the most recent past. Apart from case studies, comparative contributions are particularly welcome.

We invite you to submit paper or section proposals for both the main theme and the free section in German or English. Conference languages are German and English.

For each contribution (section or paper), we ask you for the following information: title, name, short (max. one page) CV of the author(s), contact details, summary of the contribution (max. 200 words) in a single PDF file.

The call for papers ends August 24, 2019.

Please send your proposals to: GSWG@ur.de