

## Program research seminar

### Socio-political perspectives on food and scarcity in times of war



**Date:** 18 – 19 May 2017

**Language:** English/Dutch

**Location:** Liberaal Archief, Kramersplein 23 Gent

**Organization:** Research School Political History in cooperation with UGent

#### 18 May 2017

Chair: Christophe Verbruggen

12.00 Lunch

13.00 Welcome and introduction to the Liberaal Archief in Gent by Christophe de Spiegeleer

13.10 Key note by Samuël Kruizinga

14.10 Presentation Karen Lauwers: De impact van WWI op de directe interactie tussen volksvertegenwoordigers en 'gewone' burgers in België en Frankrijk.

PhD discussant: Thomas d'Haeninck

Discussant: Henk te Velde

15.10 Break

15.30 Announcements PhD Council by Leonard van 't Hul

Introduction International Conference The State of the Art in the History of Politics by Henk te Velde

15.45 Laura Eskens: The rhetoric of hunger and plenty. Agro-food policy in Belgium (1930-1958).

PhD discussant: Jan Naert

Discussant: Antoon Vrints

16.30 Social program

19.00 Dinner at De Keizer

#### 19 May 2017

Chair Antoon Vrints

9.30 Presentation Leon van Damme: Looking for a new equilibrium. A parliamentary history of the Dutch social security system, 1980-2014.

PhD discussant: Tom Schuringa

Discussant: Jan Vandersmissen

- 10.30 Presentation Martin Schoups: Prosecuting profiteers after the Armistice. A transitional justice-perspective on the prosecution of food crimes in Belgium, 1919-1923.  
PhD discussant: Laura Eskens  
Discussant: Christophe de Spiegeleer
- 11.30 Presentation Barbara Deruytter: 'Where does my dear fatherland lie?' The First World War and the layering of Belgian national identities.  
PhD Discussant: Karen Lauwers  
Discussant: Dr Chantal Kesteloot
- 12.30 Closure

Lunch at Balls 'n Glory  
Social program

### Speakers and Organization

**Drs. Leon van Damme** is PhD candidate at Radboud University Nijmegen. His PhD research is entitled Looking for a new equilibrium. A parliamentary history of the Dutch social security system, 1980-2014.

**Barbara Deruytter** is PhD candidate at Gent University. Her PhD research is entitled Where does my dear fatherland lie?' The First World War and the layering of Belgian national identities.

**Thomas d'Haenink M.A.** is PhD candidate at Gent University and Maastricht University. His PhD research is on the position of Belgian intellectuals in a transnational network of social reform, intellectual mobility as a search for a cultural awaking (1850-1914).

**Leonard van 't Hul M.A.** was a member of the PhD Council of the Research School Political History. He is a PhD candidate at the University of Amsterdam. His research is on faith-based organizations and the state in the Netherlands since the 1960s.

**Laura Eskens M.A.** is PhD candidate at Leuven University. Her PhD research is entitled The rhetoric of hunger and plenty. Agro-food policy in Belgium (1918-1958).

**Dr Chantal Kesteloot** is in charge of the Public History sector of the Centre for Historical Research and Documentation on War and Contemporary Society (CEGESOMA) and co-editor in chief of the *Journal of Belgian History*.

**Dr. Samuël Kruizinga** is assistant professor in contemporary history at the University of Amsterdam (UvA), and Programme Coordinator for the MA in Military History at the UvA. His research interests are the global impact of twentieth-century conflicts, currently focusing in particular on the First World War

(1914-1918) and the Spanish Civil War (1936-1939), and the role of small states in the international system since 1815. In 2016, Kruizinga is a Visiting Research Fellow at the Oxford Changing Character of War Programme based at Pembroke College. Currently he is engaged in three major research projects, including *Hunger draws the map!* This three year collaborative project brings together specialists working on different countries affected by the First World War to examine the impact of food shortages on societies during the conflict.

**Karen Lauwers M.A.** is PhD candidate at Antwerp University. Her PhD research is entitled: De impact van WWI op de directe interactie tussen volksvertegenwoordigers en 'gewone' burgers in België en Frankrijk

**Jan Naert M.A.** is PhD candidate at Gent University. His PhD research is on the role of mayors during WWI.

**Martin Schoups M.A.** is PhD candidate at the University of Gent. His research is entitled Prosecuting profiteers after the Armistice. A transitional justice-perspective on the prosecution of food crimes in Belgium, 1919-1923.

**Dr. Christophe de Spiegeleer** is researcher at the Liberaal Archief in Gent.

**Dr. Margit van der Steen** is coordinator of the Dutch Research School Political History and affiliated with the Centre of Parliamentary History, Radboud University Nijmegen.

**Tom Schuringa M.A.** is PhD candidate at Groningen University. His research is on economic policy after WWII and the role of experts and advisory bodies.

**Dr. Jan Vandersmissen** is affiliated with the Department of History (Research Unit Social History after 1750) of Gent University.

**Prof. dr. Henk te Velde** is professor of Dutch History at Leiden University and member of the board of the Research School Political History.

**Dr. Christophe Verbrugge** Christophe Verbruggen is a member of the research unit Social History since 1750, the Institute of Public History and is also a member of the steering committee of the Centre for the History of Science. He is specialized in the social history of intellectuals and cultural institutions. He is currently working on transnational dynamics and relationships between intellectuals (1880-1930).

**Dr. Antoon Vrints** is assistant professor at the Department of History (Research Unit Social History after 1750) of Gent University. He is specialized in the history of conflict regulation and the social history of the First World War.

