AFRICAN ECONOMIC HISTORY WORKSHOP, 6 May 2009 Programme

LSE New Academic Building, Room 214, 2.00-7.00 PM

This workshop is based on papers read in advance. They will be accessible on the web by 7 days ahead of the meeting If you are coming but have not yet told Morten Jerven, please email him (m.jerven@lse.ac.uk) so that we can (a) send you the link, (b) inform the porters at the entrance to the New Academic Building (NAB), so that you can enter easily. All are welcome to participate. We aim to start promptly at 2.00. If you arrive early for the workshop, there is a café on the front corner of the NAB, accessible from outside as well as inside the building.

2.00-3.15: Indigenous Economic Activities, to c1900

Gareth Austin (LSE), 'Markets in Precolonial West Africa: What Have We Learned Since 1973?'

Marisa Candotti (Italy), 'Cotton and Textile Production in Northern Nigeria during the 19th Century and at the Beginning of the 20th'

3.35-5.25: The Political Economy of Colonial Taxation – and of Colonial Soldiering

Elise Huillery (Paris), 'The White Man's Burden? The Cost of Colonization in French West Africa for French Taxpayers'

Leigh A. Gardner (Oxford), 'Colonial Origins of Government Corruption? Tax Collection in Kenya and Northern Rhodesia, 1900-38'

Alexander Moradi (Sussex), 'Referral and Job Performance: Evidence from the Ghana Colonial Army'

5.45-7.00: Colonial and Post-Colonial Patterns

Denis Cogneau (IRD) and Léa Rouanet (INRA) Living Conditions in Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana and Western Africa 1920-2000: What Do Height Stature Data Tell Us?

Morten Jerven (LSE), 'Colonial Copper and Post-Colonial Diamonds: 20th-Century Boom and Bust in Botswana and Zambia Compared'