

Call for Papers
to Session 193
on the XVIth World Economic History Congress, Stellenbosch, 9-13 July, 2012:

**Maritime Exchanges, Multipolar Entanglements:
Forgotten Flows of Commodities, People, and Experiences
across the Atlantic and Indian Ocean Worlds**

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Today the Atlantic and Indian Oceans with their littorals are, in the sense of Fernand Braudel, most commonly regarded as economic worlds of their own, each merging different networks of exchange into a new system with its own structures and logics since the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. This session aims at contesting holistic understandings of the Atlantic and Indian Ocean worlds as bounded spatial containers by focusing on maritime exchanges that connected or transcended these systems.

The session will be a forum for case studies which reveal movements of commodities, people, and experiences which cannot be understood without considering the manifold interconnections between both maritime worlds. Currently we have papers, for example, papers focusing on trade relations established by sailors from whaling vessels on eastern and western littorals of Africa, on the distribution of Indian cotton textile to the Atlantic markets, and on the Royal Navy's anti-slave-trade campaign in the western Indian Ocean. We would like to invite some more papers to our session. Any proposals are welcome including those discussing

- Labor migration both in the Atlantic and the Indian Ocean
- African Diaspora both in the Atlantic and the Indian Ocean
- Commodity flow or chain between the Atlantic and the Indian Ocean
- South Africa as hub for flow of commodities, people or experiences

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