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## Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881): His Lives and Afterlives.

Celebrating the 220<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of a Victorian iconoclast

Thursday 25 January 2023

**9-9.30am: Welcoming coffee/tea**

**9.30-9.40am: Welcoming word by Prof. Laurence Roussillon-Constanty, President of the SFEVE**

**9.40-10am: Introduction by Emily Jones, Catherine Marshall, Seamus Perry & Miles Taylor**

**10-12.30am – Session 1: Disraeli as Founding Father**

Chair: Catherine Marshall (CY Cergy Paris University)

1. Emily Jones (University of Manchester) – Disraeli and One Nation Conservatism
2. David Jeffery (University of Liverpool) – Interpreting Disraeli: Competing understandings of 'Disraeli-ism' within the Conservative Party

*Short break*

3. Balkis Mougou (CY Cergy Paris Université) - The Past as Disraeli's "Sacred Flame": Exploring the Populist Feature of Glorifying the Past
4. Stephane Porion (Université de Tours) - The Disraelian ideas that framed Enoch Powell's conception of Toryism and that of the nation



### 12.30-2pm – Lunch

### 2-4pm – Session 2: Responses to Political Economy and ‘Tory radicalism’

Chair: Miles Taylor (Humboldt Universität, Zu Berlin)

5. Thomas Pritchard – Benjamin Disraeli and the Art of Political Collaboration
6. Mike Sanders (University of Manchester) – Some passages in the life of a (Tory) radical: Disraeli amongst the Chartists
7. Anthony Howe (University of East Anglia) – Disraeli and Cobden: ‘The Manchester School’ in fact and fiction”

### 4-4.30pm - Tea Break

### 4.30-6.15pm – Session 3: Political Life

Chair: Agnès Alexandre (Université de Bourgogne)

8. Iain McLean (Nuffield College, University of Oxford) – Disraeli, heresthetics and the 1867 Reform Act
9. Frank Rynne (CY Cergy Paris Université) - Disraeli, Gladstone and the Irish question
10. Alex Middleton (St Hugh’s College, University of Oxford) – Disraeli and South America

### 6.15pm end of day 1

7.45pm - Conference dinner at Restaurant Anco - 108 rue de Bercy, Paris 12  
(<https://www.ancoparisbercy.fr>)



**Friday 26 January 2023**

**9.30-12am – Session 4: Cultural and Religious Lives**

Chair: Jennifer Pitts (University of Chicago)

11. Jonathan Parry (Pembroke College, University of Cambridge) - Disraeli, *Lothair*, and Tory political sociology
12. Daisy Hay (University of Exeter) – Disraeli the Romantic

*Short break*

13. Megan Dent (Associate Member, Keble SCR, University of Oxford) – Disraeli and the Bible
14. Jerome Grosclaude (Université Clermont Auvergne) – ‘[A] mere mystery-man’: Disraeli and the Church of England’s episcopate

**12-1.30pm – Lunch**

**1.30-4.30pm – Session 5: Literary Lives and Afterlives**

Chair: Seamus Perry (Balliol College, University of Oxford)

15. David Womersley (St Catherine’s College, University of Oxford) – Vivian Grey
16. Freya Johnston (St Anne’s College, University of Oxford) – Disraeli and Peacock

*Short break*

17. Bysse Coffey (Balliol College, University of Oxford) – ‘Permanent Currency’: Benjamin Disraeli and the Leavises
18. Baptiste Danel (University of Westminster) – A ‘poetical politician, and a political poet’: Political Synthesis in *The Revolutionary Epick* (1834)

**4.30pm/5pm – End of the conference**

The conference is taking place at:

The University of Chicago Center, 6 Rue Thomas Mann, 75013 Paris



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