Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881): His Lives and Afterlives.
Celebrating the 220th 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

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

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. Bysshe 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