CFP: Varieties of Resistance across the Iberian Empires. From Political Participation to Everyday Challenges to Authority (1450-1850)

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Within the framework of the project RESISTANCE: Rebelieião e Resistência nos Impérios Ibéricos, sécs. XVI-XIX (778076-H2020-MSCA-RISE-2017), the Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa and CHAM - Centro de Humanidades da Universidade Nova de Lisboa e da Universidade dos Açores, present the international symposium Varieties of Resistance across the Iberian Empires. From Political Participation to Everyday Challenges Towards Authorities (1450-1850). The symposium will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, on February 9 and 10, 2023.

This symposium will look to bring together scholars that study people belonging to the “groups from below” and focus on their role in social change. The goal is to establish a dialogue between researchers that explore the action individuals and groups undertake through different modalities of political participation and through daily practices of resistance, which, frequently, ended up eroding social and political structures. Sometimes these modalities of resistance were quotidian and concealed, some other times they were carried out in the context of institutional practices, using arguments conveyed through peaceful means and often only involved few people. Both are important to study the emergence of new modalities of political and social imagination, and to understand the tensions and social conflict that were expressed in daily situations. Finally, they are both important to discuss to which level this magma of social dissatisfaction may have contributed to the eruption of violent events, able to produce more systemic transformations.

Topics of particular interest for the symposium include:

- Vocabularies of everyday opposition and terms used in the context of political participation
- Challenges to authority through political participation
- Petitions and negotiations as acts of resistance
- Places of everyday resistance
- Patterns of resistance and dissent with little public visibility
- Modalities of institutional erosion and disruption
- Smuggling, sabotage, idleness, and other forms of rejection of the established order.

The symposium
The event will take place at the Instituto de Ciências Sociais of the University of Lisbon. Portuguese, Spanish and English will be the official languages of the event. However, to allow inclusive discussions, each participant is expected to have a minimum understanding of other languages besides the one they will use for their presentation.

Travel and accommodation costs will not be covered by the organizing entities. However, the Symposium organizers are available to provide information on accommodation possibilities and travel arrangements.

**Submission of proposals**

Deadline is October 20, 2022.

Maximum limit for abstracts: 250 words.

Abstracts will be accepted in Portuguese, English and Spanish.

Send a brief curriculum vitae.

Send to email: symposium6resistance@gmail.com

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