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Positions held

- July 2000- Trinity College, Dublin Professor of Economics.
- Spring 2005 Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences-Po) Visiting Professor
- 1997-2000 University College, Dublin Statutory Lecturer, Department of Economics
- Spring 1999 Harvard University. Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Economics
- 1992-1997 University College, Dublin College Lecturer, Department of Economics
- 1989-1992 Graduate School of Business, Columbia University Assistant Professor

Education

- 1984-1989 Harvard University Ph.D. in Economics, June 1989. M.A. in Economics, June 1986. Dissertation: Agricultural Change and Rural Depopulation: Ireland 1845-76.
- 1980-1984 Trinity College, Dublin 1st Class Honors Degree & Gold Medal in Economics & Mathematics.

Fields of Interest:

Economic History, International Economics.

Outside affiliations

Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research, London (International Macro and International Trade programmes).

Research Associate, National Bureau for Economic Research, Cambridge, Massachusetts (International Trade and Investment Program), 2000-present.

Professional activities

President, European Historical Economics Society, 2009-2011. Trustee, 1996-2006.

Co-convenor, dissertation session, Economic History Association annual meetings, New Haven, September 2008.

Co-organiser, Centre for Economic Policy Research Economic History Initiative (launched 2003). The CEPR is Europe's largest and most influential economics research network. For full details of the Economic History Initiative, see <http://www.cepr.org/research/Initiatives/EH.htm>.

Editor, European Review of Economic History, 2003-2007.

Panel Member, Economic Policy, 2006-2008.

Member, International Advisory Board, Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation, University of Warwick, 2003-present.

Co-editor of the Historical National Accounting Group's Database of Irish Historical Statistics (with Jason Begley and Frank Geary). This is an on-going process; a highly provisional website is available at http://www.tcd.ie/iis/HNAG/HNAG_database.htm. HNAG's aim is to stimulate quantitative research in Irish economic history by providing estimates of Irish national income prior to the commencement of official data, and by collecting Irish historical statistics.

Editorial Board member, Journal of Economic History, 1998-2001

Trustee, Cliometric Society, 1998-2001

Associate Editor, Economics Bulletin, 2001-present.

Member, Global Economic History Network.

Editorial Board member, World Politics, 2007-2010.

Member, International Advisory Committee, Irish Research Council for Humanities and Social Sciences, 2009-present.

Honours

- 2009 Elected to Membership of the Royal Irish Academy
Awarded ERC Advanced Investigator Grant
- 2007 Keynote speaker, 2nd Sound Economic History Workshop, Lund, 23 November.

Keynote speaker, 27th Meeting of the Portuguese Association of Economic and Social History, Lisbon, 16 November.

IRCHSS Government of Ireland Senior Research Fellowship, 2007-8
- 2003 IRCHSS Government of Ireland Senior Research Fellowship, 2003-4
- 1999 Association of American Publishers/PSP Award for best new scholarly book in Economics, 1999 (for Globalization and History).
- 1998 Cole Prize Winner, 1997-98: awarded annually to author of best article published in the Journal of Economic History (for “The European grain invasion, 1870-1913”).
- 1994 Joint winner, International Economic History Congress dissertation competition, Milan.

Barrington Prize Lecturer, Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland.

President's Research Award, UCD.
- 1988 Alfred P. Sloan Dissertation Fellowship, 1988-89.

Jens Aubrey Westengaard Scholarship, 1988.
- 1984 Whately Prize in Economics, TCD.

Annual Silver Medal for Composition, Dublin University Theological Society.
- 1982 Foundation Scholarship, Economics and Mathematics, TCD.
- 1980 Entrance Exhibition, First Class, Ancient and Modern Literature, TCD.

Academic fund-raising activities

Awarded ERC Advanced Investigator Grant, for TRADEDEPRESSION: Trade and the Great Depression in a Long Run Perspective (Grant Agreement No. 249546). The project will run from 2010 to 2015. The award is worth €1.4 million.

Co-ordinator (with Stephen Broadberry) of Collaborative Research Project HI-POD: Historical Patterns of Development and Underdevelopment: Origins and Persistence of the Great Divergence (Proposal 225342). The project will run from 2008 to 2012, and the requested EU contribution is €1.34 million.

Co-ordinator (with Stephen Broadberry) of Research Training Network Proposal FP6-512439, Unifying the European Experience: Historical Lessons of Pan-European Development. The proposal was made on behalf of the Economic History Initiative at the CEPR. The grant was for over €1.7 million. The RTN's aim was to promote comparative and pan-European economic history, as well as 'presentist' economic history which speaks to today's academic and policy debates.

Co-ordinator of the successful TCD PRTLTI application to the HEA on behalf of the Institute for International Integration Studies. The PRTLTI grant was worth €8.8 million.

Team leader in successful Research Training Network Proposal on Trade, Industrialization and Development, co-ordinated by London School of Economics.

Mentions in the popular media

My academic work has been mentioned in such international newspapers as The Economist; New York Times; Financial Times; Der Spiegel; Le Monde; Le Figaro, International Herald Tribune; The New Statesman; Politiken (Denmark); Wall Street Journal; Washington Post; Newsweek; Publico (Portugal); Corriere della Sera; Les Echos; San Francisco Chronicle; El Pais; and in the Irish media. Some articles mentioning my work are available at <http://www.tcd.ie/Economics/staff/orourkek/homepage.htm> (although the list is now out of date, and I am no longer updating it, following the widespread coverage accorded to "A Tale of Two Depressions", co-authored with Barry Eichengreen and available here: <http://www.voxeu.org/index.php?q=node/3421>).

Publications

A. Books

1. Globalization and History: The Evolution of a 19th Century Atlantic Economy, Cambridge Massachusetts, MIT Press, 1999 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson). Winner of the Association of American Publishers/PSP Award for best new scholarly book in Economics, 1999. Also published as Globalizzazione et storia: L'evoluzione dell'economia atlantica nell'Ottocento (Bologna: Il Mulino, 2005). Also published as Globalización e historia: La evolución de una economía atlantica del siglo XIX (Zaragoza: Prensas Universitarias de Zaragoza, 2006). Translation forthcoming in Korean.
2. Power and Plenty: Trade, War, and the World Economy in the Second Millennium, Princeton New Jersey, Princeton University Press, 2007 (with Ronald Findlay). Translations forthcoming in Chinese, Korean and Turkish.

B. Edited books

1. The International Trading System, Globalization and History, 2 volumes, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2005.
2. The New Comparative Economic History: Essays in Honor of Jeffrey G. Williamson, forthcoming, Cambridge, Massachusetts, MIT Press, 2007 (co-edited with Timothy J. Hatton and Alan M. Taylor).
3. The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Europe, 2 volumes, forthcoming, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2009 (co-edited with Stephen N. Broadberry).

C. Articles and chapters (*: refereed journal article; §: lead article)

1. (*) “Tariffs and the current account with short-run capital specificity,” Economics Letters 30 (1989), 67-70.
2. “The non-traded and service sectors: misconceptions and issues,” in The Economy of Ireland, 6th edition, ed. John O'Hagan, Irish Management Institute (1991). An earlier version appeared in 5th edition, 1987.
3. (*) “Commercial policy and the current account: a Mussa-Neary approach,” Economic and Social Review 22 (1991), 157-170.
4. (*, §) “Did the great Irish famine matter?,” Journal of Economic History 51 (1991), 1-22. Reprinted in The Economic Development of Ireland since 1870 (ed. Cormac Ó Gráda), Edward Elgar (1993); also reprinted in The Economics of Famine (ed. Jean Drèze), Edward Elgar (1999).

5. "Burn everything British but their coal: the Anglo-Irish Economic War of the 1930's," Journal of Economic History 51 (1991), 357-366. Reprinted in The Economic Development of Ireland since 1870 (ed. Cormac Ó Gráda), Edward Elgar (1993); also reprinted in The History of Anglo-Irish Relations, Volume III, From the Treaty to the Present, ed. Alan O'Day and N.C. Fleming (Aldershot: Ashgate).
6. (*) "Rural depopulation in a small open economy: Ireland 1856-1876," Explorations in Economic History 28 (1991), 409-432.
7. (*) "Why Ireland emigrated: a positive theory of factor flows," Oxford Economic Papers 44 (1992), 322-340.
8. (*) "The repeal of the Corn Laws and Irish emigration," Explorations in Economic History 31 (1994), 120-138.
9. "The Economic impact of the Famine in the short and long run," American Economic Review 84 (1994), 309-313.
10. (*) "Property transactions in Ireland, 1708-1988: an introduction," Irish Economic and Social History XXI (1994), 58-71 (with Ben Polak).
11. (*) "Late 19th century Anglo-American factor price convergence: were Heckscher and Ohlin right?," Journal of Economic History 54 (1994), 892-916 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).
12. "Mass migration, commodity market integration, and real wage convergence: the late nineteenth century Atlantic economy," in International Migration and World Development, ed. Timothy J. Hatton and Jeffrey G. Williamson, Routledge (1994), 203-220 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson and Timothy J. Hatton).
13. "Emigration and economic growth in Ireland, 1850-1914," in International Migration and World Development (1994), 221-239 (with George R. Boyer and Timothy J. Hatton).
14. "Did labor flow uphill? International migration and wage rates in 20th century Ireland," in Labor Market Evolution: The Economic History of Market Integration, Wage Flexibility and the Employment Relation, ed. George Grantham and Mary MacKinnon, Routledge (1994), 139-160.
15. "Industrial policy, employment policy and the non-traded sector," Journal of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland XXVII, Part II (1994/1995), 61-80.
16. (*) "The costs of international economic disintegration: Ireland in the 1930's," Research in Economic History 15 (1995), 215-259.
17. (*) "Emigration and living standards in Ireland since the Famine," Journal of Population Economics 8 (1995), 407-421.
18. (*, §) "Open economy forces and late 19th century Swedish catch-up: a quantitative accounting," Scandinavian Economic History Review XLIII (1995), 171-203 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).

19. (*, §) “Education, globalization and catch-up: Scandinavia in the Swedish mirror,” Scandinavian Economic History Review XLIII (1995), 287-309 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).
20. “Economic growth: performance and explanations,” in The Economy of Ireland: Policy and Performance of a Small European Country, ed. John O’Hagan, Macmillan Press (1995), 198-227 (with Cormac Ó Gráda).
21. “Irish economic growth, 1945-1988,” in Economic Growth in Europe since 1945, ed. N.F.R. Crafts and Gianni Toniolo, Cambridge University Press (1996), 388-426 (with Cormac Ó Gráda).
22. (*, §) “Factor price convergence in the late nineteenth century,” International Economic Review 37 (1996), 499-530 (with Alan M. Taylor and Jeffrey G. Williamson). Reprinted in Historical Foundations of Globalization (ed. James Foreman-Peck), Edward Elgar (1998).
23. “Reply to Ljungberg,” Scandinavian Economic History Review XLIV (1996), 276-279 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).
24. (*, §) “Migration as disaster relief: lessons from the Great Irish Famine,” European Review of Economic History 1 (1997), 3-25 (with Cormac Ó Gráda).
25. (*) “Measuring protection: a cautionary tale,” Journal of Development Economics 53 (1997), 169-183. Reprinted in Classical Trade Protectionism 1815-1914 (ed. Jean-Pierre Dormois and Pedro Lains), Routledge (2006).
26. (*, §) “Around the European periphery 1870-1913: globalization, schooling and growth,” European Review of Economic History 1 (1997), 153-190 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).
27. (*, §) “The European grain invasion, 1870-1913,” Journal of Economic History 57(4) (1997), 775-801. Cole Prize Winner, 1997-98.
28. “Culture, Malthus, and Irish Demographic History,” Journal of Economic History 58 (1998), 862-865.
29. (*) “Monetary data and proxy GDP estimates: Ireland 1840-1921,” Irish Economic and Social History 25 (1998), 22-51.
30. (*, §) “Economic integration and convergence: an historical perspective,” Journal of Economic Integration 14 (1999), 133-168.
31. “Were trade and factor mobility substitutes in history?,” in Migration: The Controversies and the Evidence, ed. Riccardo Faini, Jaime de Melo and Klaus F. Zimmermann (with William J. Collins and Jeffrey G. Williamson), Cambridge University Press (1999), 227-262.
32. “Much ado about nothing? Italian trade policy in the late 19th century,” in The Mediterranean Response to Globalization before 1950, eds. Ş. Pamuk and J.G. Williamson, Routledge (2000), 269-296 (with Giovanni Federico).

33. "Globalization in historical perspective," in Globalization and Unemployment, ed. H. Wagner, Springer (2000), 39-53.
34. (*) "Tariffs and growth in the late 19th century," Economic Journal 110 (2000), 456-483. Reprinted in Classical Trade Protectionism 1815-1914 (ed. Jean-Pierre Dormois and Pedro Lains), Routledge (2006).
35. (*, §) "A Social Accounting Matrix for Italy, 1911," Rivista di Storia Economica XVI (2000), 3-35 (with Giovanni Federico).
36. "Living standards and growth," in The Economy of Ireland: Policy and Performance of a European Region, ed. J. O'Hagan, Gill and Macmillan/St Martin's Press (2000), 178-204 (with Cormac Ó Gráda).
37. "British trade policy in the 19th century: a review article," European Journal of Political Economy 16 (November 2000), 829-842.
38. "Irish inflation: appropriate policy responses," Irish Banking Review (Winter 2000), 33-47 (with Rodney Thom).
39. "What determines attitudes towards protection? Some cross-country evidence," in Susan M. Collins and Dani Rodrik (eds.), Brookings Trade Forum 2001, Brookings Institute Press, 157-206 (with Richard Sinnott).
40. (*) "When did globalization begin?" European Review of Economic History 6 (2002), 23-50 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson). Reprinted in Twentieth Century Economic History: Critical Concepts in Economics (ed. Lars Magnusson), Routledge (2010).
41. (*) "Globalization and inequality: historical trends," Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics (2001/2), pp. 39-67. Reprinted in Aussenwirtschaft 57, 1 (2002), 65-101.
42. (*) "After Columbus: explaining the global trade boom 1500-1800," Journal of Economic History (2002) 62(2), 417-456 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).
43. "The Heckscher-Ohlin model between 1400 and 2000: when it explained factor price convergence, when it did not, and why," in R. Findlay, L. Jonung and M. Lundahl (eds.), Bertil Ohlin: A Centennial Celebration 1899-1999 (MIT Press, 2002), 431-461 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).
44. "Europe and the causes of globalization, 1790-2000," in H. Kierzkowski (ed.), From Europeanization of the Globe to the Globalization of Europe (Palgrave, 2002), 64-86.
45. "Long-distance trade: long-distance trade between 1750 and 1914," in J. Mokyr (ed.), Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History, (Oxford University Press 2003), Volume 3, 365-70.
46. "Commodity market integration, 1500-2000," in M.D. Bordo, A.M. Taylor and J.G. Williamson (eds.), Globalization in Historical Perspective (University of Chicago

Press/NBER 2003) (with Ronald Findlay), 13-62.

47. "Ireland and the bigger picture," in David Dickson & Cormac Ó Gráda (eds.), Refiguring Ireland (Dublin: Lilliput Press, 2003), 342-55.

48. "Once more: When did globalisation begin?" European Review of Economic History 8 (2004), 109-117 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson).

49. (*) "Migration flows: Political economy of migration and the empirical challenges." Published as "Flux Migratoires: Économie Politique de la migration et enjeux empiriques," Revue D'Économie du Développement (ABCDE-Europe 2003 special issue) 3/4 (2004), 45-76 (with Richard Sinnott).

50. (*, §) "From Malthus to Ohlin: Trade, Industrialisation and Distribution Since 1500," Journal of Economic Growth 10 (2005), 5-34 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson). Reprinted in The WTO and Labor and Employment, ed. Drusilla K. Brown and Robert M. Stern, Cheltenham (Edward Elgar, 2007).

51. (*) "Incentives, Technology and the Shift to Year-Round Dairying in Late Nineteenth-Century Denmark," Economic History Review LVIII (2005), 520-554 (with Ingrid Henriksen).

52. "Late 19th Century Denmark in an Irish Mirror: Land Tenure, Homogeneity and the Roots of Danish Success," in John L. Campbell, John A. Hall and Ove K. Pedersen (eds.), The State of Denmark: Small States, Corporatism and the Varieties of Capitalism (Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2006), 159-196.

53. (*) "The worldwide economic impact of the French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars, 1793-1815," Journal of Global History 1 (2006), 123-149.

54. "Heckscher-Ohlin Theory and Individual Attitudes Towards Globalization," in R. Findlay, R. Henriksson, H. Lindgren and M. Lundahl (eds.), Eli Heckscher, International Trade, and Economic History (MIT Press 2006), 107-138.

55. (*) "The determinants of individual attitudes towards immigration," European Journal of Political Economy 22 (2006), 838-861 (with Richard Sinnott).

56. "Economic Globalization," in Roland Robertson and Jan Aart Scholte (eds.), Encyclopedia of Globalization (Routledge), Volume 1, pp. 357-363.

57. "Democracy and protectionism," in Timothy J. Hatton, Kevin H. O'Rourke and Alan M. Taylor (eds.), The New Comparative Economic History: Essays in Honor of Jeffrey G. Williamson (MIT Press, 2007), pp. 193-216.

58. (*) "Culture, conflict and cooperation: Irish dairying before the Great War," Economic Journal 117 (2007), 1357-1379.

59. (*, §) "War and welfare: Britain, France and the United States 1807-14," Oxford Economic Papers, pp. i8-i30, Supplementary Issue (2007).

60. (*) “Property rights, politics and innovation: creamery diffusion in pre-1914 Ireland,” European Review of Economic History 11 (2007), 395-417.
61. “Made in America? The New World, the Old, and the Industrial Revolution.” American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings 98(2): 523-8 2008 (with Gregory Clark and Alan M. Taylor) (2008).
62. “Protectionism and the Great Depression.” BEPA Monthly Brief 27: 3-7 (2009).
63. (*) “Did Vasco da Gama matter for European markets?” Economic History Review 62(3): 655-684 (with Jeffrey G. Williamson) (2009).
64. “The End of Free Migration: Lessons for Today”, in Andrew C. Sobel (ed.), The Challenges of Globalization (Routledge, 2009), pp. 58-77.
65. “Heckscher-Ohlin,” forthcoming in John J. McCusker (ed.), Encyclopedia of World Trade since 1450 (Macmillan).
66. “Factor price equalization: historical trends,” forthcoming, Larry Blume and Steven Durlauf (eds.), The New Palgrave Dictionary of Economics, 2nd Edition, Palgrave Macmillan.
67. “Trade and Empire,” in Unifying the European Experience: An Economic History of Modern Europe, forthcoming, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2009, ed. Stephen N. Broadberry and Kevin H. O’Rourke (with Leandro Prados de la Escosura and Guillaume Daudin).
68. “Globalisation, 1870-1914,” in Unifying the European Experience: An Economic History of Modern Europe, forthcoming, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2009, ed. Stephen N. Broadberry and Kevin H. O’Rourke (with Guillaume Daudin and Matthias Morys).
69. (*) “From Great Depression to Great Credit Crisis: Similarities, Differences, and Lessons.” Forthcoming, Economic Policy (with Miguel Almunia, Agustín Bénétrix, Barry Eichengreen and Gisela Rua).
70. (*) “The structure of protection and growth in the late 19th century”. Forthcoming, Review of Economics and Statistics (with Sibylle Lehmann).
71. (*) “Commodity Price Volatility and World Market Integration since 1700”. Forthcoming, Review of Economics and Statistics (with David S. Jacks and Jeffrey G. Williamson).

D. Policy publications

1. Making Sense of Globalization: A Guide to the Economic Issues, CEPR Policy Paper No. 8 (London: CEPR 2002) (with François Bourguignon, Diane Coyle, Raquel Fernández, Francesco Giavazzi, Dalia Marin, Richard Portes, Paul Seabright, Anthony Venables, Thierry Verdier and L. Alan Winters).

2. Politics and Trade: Lessons from Past Globalisations. Bruegel Essay, February 2009.
3. “Engage multilateral institutions in solutions to today’s problems.” In What world leaders should do to halt the spread of protectionism, ed. R. Baldwin and S. Evenett. CEPR, 2008. Available at <http://www.voxeu.org/index.php?q=node/2651>.
4. “Government policies and the collapse in trade during the Great Depression.” In The great trade collapse: Causes, consequences and prospects, ed. R. Baldwin. CEPR 2009. Available at <http://www.voxeu.org/index.php?q=node/4297>.

E. Other publications

1. “Conscience and the economist,” Doctrine and Life 45 (1995) May-June, 347-352.
2. “An economist looks at Catholic social teaching,” Doctrine and Life 45 (1995) July-August, 405-413.

F. Book reviews in Wall Street Journal, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Economic Literature, Agricultural History, International History Review, Economic Journal, English Historical Review, EH.Net, Doctrine and Life, Sunday Tribune, Journal of International Economics; dissertation summaries in Journal of Economic History, Irish Economic and Social History, and Proceedings of the Eleventh International Economic History Congress (Bocconi University, Milan, 1994).

G. Journalism

Newspaper articles for the Irish Times, Irish Independent, Sunday Tribune, Le Temps (Geneva), The International Economy, Exame (Brazil), the Sun (Irish edition), Enjeux Les Echos. Columns at www.voxEU.org. I contribute to the Eurointelligence Syndicated Column, available at www.eurointelligence.com/Syndicated-Column.1059.0.html. I was a founding contributor to “The Irish Economy” blog at <http://www.irisheconomy.ie/>. I have also contributed as a member of Martin Wolf’s Economists’ Forum at <http://blogs.ft.com/economistsforum/>.

Working Papers

1. “Risk, Government and Globalization: International Survey Evidence,”(with Anna Maria Mayda and Richard Sinnott). CEPR Discussion Paper 6354; NBER Working Paper 13037.
2. “Luddites and the Demographic Transition,”(with Ahmed S. Rahman and Alan M. Taylor). CEPR Discussion Paper 7045, NBER Working Paper 14484.
3. “Trade, Knowledge and the Industrial Revolution,” (with Ahmed S. Rahman and Alan M. Taylor). CEPR Discussion Paper 6293, NBER Working Paper 13057.
4. “Globalization, Growth and Distribution in Spain 1500-1913” (with Joan R. Roses and Jeffrey G. Williamson). CEPR Discussion Paper 6356, NBER Working Paper 13055.
5. “Commodity Market Disintegration in the Interwar Period” (with William Hynes and

David S. Jacks). CEPR Discussion Paper 7189, NBER Working Paper 14767.

6. “What’s new about globalization: implications for income inequality in developing countries,” presented at OECD Policy Dialogue on Poverty and Income Inequality in Developing Countries, Paris, 30/11/2000-1/12/2000 (with Richard Kohl)

7. “A computable general equilibrium model of the Irish economy: technical appendix,” CER Working Paper 95/2 (with Kevin Denny and Aoife Hannan), UCD.

8. “Harmonizing Irish tax rates: a computable general equilibrium approach,” CER Working Paper 95/3 (with Kevin Denny and Aoife Hannan), UCD.

9. “Computable general equilibrium models and economic history,” mimeo.

Conference organising

Program committee member, 4th World Congress of Cliometrics, Montreal, July 2000.

Organizer, EHES Summer School in Economic History, Dublin 2001.

Co-organizer, conference on ‘The Political Economy of Globalization: Can the Past Inform the Present?’, IIS, Trinity College Dublin (August 29-31, 2002).

Co-organiser, ESF/CEPR conference on ‘The Long Run Growth and Development of the World Economy: Measurement and Theory,’ Venice International University (April 28-May 1 2005).

Organiser, Global Economic History workshop on ‘Imperialism,’ Istanbul, September 11-12, 2005.

Co-organiser, First Workshop of the Economic History RTN on 'Europe's Growth and Development Experience', University of Warwick, 28-30 October 2005.

Co-organiser, Conference on ‘The New Comparative Economic History,’ held in honour of Jeffrey G. Williamson, Harvard University, November 4-5, 2005.

Organiser, Historical National Accounts Group of Ireland Annual Meetings, 2004-6.

Co-organiser, Second Workshop of the Economic History RTN on ‘European Growth and Integration since the Mid-Nineteenth Century’, Lund, 13-15 October, 2006.

Co-organiser, ‘Evolution of the Global Economy’ workshop, National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge Massachusetts, 2 March, 2007.

Co-organiser, Third Workshop of the Economic History RTN on ‘Unifying the European Experience’, London, 26-28 October, 2007.

Co-organiser, ‘Economic and Social Inequalities In Historical Perspective ,’ Third Joint Summer School of the GLOBALEURONET Research Networking Programme and

the Marie Curie Research Training Network 'Unifying the European Experience', Paris School of Economics, 7-11 July, 2008.

Co-organiser, Fourth Workshop of the Economic History RTN on 'Unifying the European Experience', Jagiellonian University, Krakow, 26-28 September, 2008.

Refereeing

Refereeing for International Economic Review, Economic History Review, Explorations in Economic History, Oxford Economic Papers, Journal of Economic History, Irish Economic and Social History, Economic and Social Review, European Review of Economic History, Economic Journal, International Economic Review, Journal of International Economics, International Organization, Review of Economics and Statistics, American Economic Review, Security Studies, Review of International Economics, Australian Economic History Review, European Journal of Political Economy, Economics Letters, Economic Policy, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Comparative Economics, Economics Letters, Social Science History, World Bank, World Bank Economic Review, Journal of Population Economics, World Politics, Journal of Development Economics, Quarterly Journal of Economics.

Papers delivered at seminars and conferences

2008-9: Economic History Association annual meetings, New Haven; Fourth Workshop of the Economic History RTN on 'Unifying the European Experience', Jagiellonian University, Krakow; Trinity College Dublin; London School of Economics; Universidad Carlos III, Madrid.

2007-8: 3rd meeting of Unifying the European Experience RTN, London; 27th Meeting of the Portuguese Association of Economic and Social History, Lisbon; 2nd Sound Economic History Workshop, Lund; Department seminar, Lund; Bruegel.

2006-7: 2nd meeting of Unifying the European Experience RTN, Lund; University College Galway; 'Evolution of the Global Economy' workshop, National Bureau of Economic Research; Sussex; "Economia e società aperta" conference, Bocconi University, Milan; University of Nottingham; 7th Conference of the European Historical Economics Society, Lund.

2005-6: EHES Congress, Istanbul; Dublin Economics Workshop, Maynooth; IIS lunchtime seminar, Trinity College Dublin; First Workshop of the Economic History RTN on 'Europe's Growth and Development Experience', University of Warwick; Conference on 'The New Comparative Economic History,' held in honour of Jeffrey G. Williamson, Harvard University; University of Geneva; London School of Economics; RTN Workshop on Trade, Development and Industrialisation, Chianti, Italy; Paris I; Sciences-Po, Paris; INSEAD, Paris, RTN Summer School on Economic Growth in the Extremely Long Run, Florence, Italy.

2004-5: NBER Development of the American Economy Program Meeting; Sciences-Po, Paris.

2003-2004: conference on 'Convergence Économique dans l'Union Européenne: les cas de l'Espagne et de l'Irlande,' Colegio de España, Paris; conference on *Globalization, the State and Society*, Washington University, St. Louis; European University Institute; Cambridge University; University of Toulouse; University College London.

2002-2003: conference on 'Patterns of Danish Development', University of Copenhagen; conference on "Past and Present: Long-term perspectives on the world today," ISSC/HII, UCD; University of Glasgow; NBER ITI Winter Institute, Palo Alto; U.C. Davis; L'Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris; Bergen; Applied Economics Workshop, U.C. Dublin; Brussels Economic Forum; Oxford; Minerva Center for Macroeconomics and Growth conference on "From Stagnation to Growth," Rorschach (Switzerland); ABCDE (Europe) conference, Paris; Eli F. Heckscher Centennial Symposium, Stockholm; Humboldt University, Berlin; EHES Congress, Madrid.

2001-2002: Fourth European Historical Economics Society Conference, Merton College, Oxford; conference on 'From Europeanization of the Globe to the Globalization of Europe,' Graduate Institute for International Studies, Geneva; Sound economic history conference, Copenhagen; conferences on globalization, University College Dublin, Warwick, and Economic and Social Research Institute; ERWIT conference, Munich.

2000-2001: NBER pre-conference and conference on 'Globalization and history'; Royal Irish Academy; Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland; Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics; Brookings Trade Policy Forum; Queens University Belfast; ERWIT conference, London; European Historical Economics Society summer school, TCD.

1999-2000: Ohlin Centenary Conference, Stockholm; Third Congress of the European Historical Economics Society, Lisbon; London School of Economics; Conference on 'Market integration', Venice.

1998-1999: Economic History seminars, Rutgers, Harvard University, Northwestern University and Yale University.

1997-1998: Conference on 'Hunger and Migration', Heidelberg; Economic History seminars, Yale University and Harvard University; Economic History Seminar, Queen's University Belfast; Conference on 'Long Run Change in the Mediterranean Basin.' Istanbul.

1996-1997: All Souls' College, Oxford.

1995-1996: CEPR Conference on Migration, Milan; II Congress of the European Historical Economics Society, Venice; Dublin Economics Workshop; ESF Conference on 'Migration and Development', Alsace.

1994-1995: International Economic History Congress, Milan; ESF Conference on 'Migration and Development', Crete; Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland, Dublin; Foundation for Fiscal Studies and ESRI, Dublin; AGM, Association of Teachers of Moral Theology, Clonliffe College, Dublin; University of Carlos III (Madrid); European Historical Economics Society Summer School, University of Groningen; GAAC Summer School on the Political Economy of European Integration, University of California at Berkeley.

1993-1994: University College Dublin; American Economic Association annual meetings, Boston MA; University of Lund; University of Copenhagen; University of Essex; University of Warwick; University of Colorado at Boulder; Foundation for Fiscal Studies (Dublin).

1992-1993: University College Dublin; St. Patrick's College, Maynooth; Dublin Economics Workshop; Conference on 'Market Integration since the Renaissance', Lerici, Italy; Irish Famine Network Conference; British Quantitative Economic History Conference (Oxford).

1991-1992: Northwestern University; Chicago University; Cliometrics Conference (Miami, Ohio).

1990-1991: University of Illinois; Northwestern University; University of Michigan; University of Toronto; Economic History Association Annual Conference (Montreal); Labor Market History Conference (McGill University); Columbia University.

1989-1990: Harvard University; Yale University; U.C.L.A.; Columbia University; U.C. Berkeley.

1988-1989: Harvard University; Second International Cliometrics Conference (Santander, Spain).

1987-1988: Harvard University.