Displacement, Transgression and Dissent in France, Great Britain and the American
Colonies (c.1600-1800)

A young researchers’ conference
Aix-Marseille University, Friday 20 and Saturday 21 March 2015

Guest speaker: Prof. Frank Lestringant (Paris-Sorbonne University)

CALL FOR PAPERS

One of the main consequences of the Reformation in Europe, and of colonial expansionism, was a transformation of religious, social and political thought at a time when Copernicus, Galileo and Kepler were revolutionising conceptions of the universe.

This conference sets out to examine norms and transgressions in relation to issues such as:

• knowledge and science;
• religious dissent and political radicalism;
• the ontological status of man;
• definitions of reason and forms of unreason, including melancholy and madness;
• new discourses of body and mind, including those that shaped concepts of sexual
  behaviour deemed abnormal or contrary to Nature;
• the emergence of a political sphere;
• the beginnings of a public sphere

The aim of the conference will be to explore how these and related issues were explored in literary and artistic forms, as for example in poetry, satirical pamphlets, travel writings and utopias, drama and theological or moral controversies.

The conference is organized by Aix-Marseille University Research Centres on French Literature
and on the Anglophone World and co-sponsored by two learned Societies, SEAA 17-18
Doctoral students and young researchers should send an abstract (250-500 words) and a short CV conjointly to the three organisers before 1 Sepembre 2015:

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Interdisciplinary proposals that examine various forms of dissent and transgression (literary, theological, historical, philosophical…) will be particularly welcome.

Papers can be in either French or English and should focus on France and/or Great Britain and the American colonies in the period c.1600-1800.

Assistance with travel and/or accommodation costs may be available and a selection of papers will be published.

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