

CALL FOR PAPERS

9th Middelburg Conference of European Historians of the United States 27-29 April 2011

On 27-29 April 2011 the Roosevelt Study Center in Middelburg, The Netherlands, will host for the ninth time the biennial conference of European historians of the United States.

The theme of this "Middelburg 9" conference is:

"The U.S. South and Europe"

The U.S. South has always been a distinct region but in recent years this section of the United States has emerged, according to *New York Times* journalist Peter Applebome, "as a dominant economic, political and cultural force in American life. To understand America, it is necessary to make sense of the South." This Middelburg conference aims to explore the historical relationship between the American South and Europe from colonial times to the present era of globalization. Papers are invited to address economic, political, ideological, military, religious, and cultural aspects of this transatlantic relationship between Dixie and Europe in general or to focus on particular southern states/cities/organizations/individuals and their relationship with Europe/European countries/organizations.

Historians interested in presenting a paper at this conference are invited to send by email a one-page proposal before October 15, 2010 to the Roosevelt Study Center, in Middelburg, the Netherlands, e-mail address: rsc@zeeland.nl.

The organizers, Cornelis A. van Minnen (Roosevelt Study Center) and Manfred Berg (Heidelberg University), will make every effort to maintain the plenary character of all sessions at the conference and to schedule sufficient time in the program for discussion. Oral paper presentations should not exceed 20 minutes.

Selections of revised conference papers originally presented at preceding "Middelburg conferences" have been published in conference volumes and, although a guarantee cannot be given, the organizers again envision a publication (in either book form or as a thematic issue of *EJAS* (the digital peer-reviewed journal of the European Association for American Studies)). To be acceptable for publication revised conference papers should be between 5.000 and 10.000 words, including notes, and written according to the guidelines of *The Chicago Manual of Style*.

Hotel expenses and meals of the paper presenters at the conference will be covered but conference participants are expected to cover their own travel expenses.