

Universidad de Granada

International conference on the 'hunger years' during Franco regime

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The International Conference 'The History and Memory of Hunger during the Franco Regime (1939-1951)' will be held at the University of Granada from 7 to 8 June 2018, bringing together speakers from six Spanish universities and prestigious international institutions such as the University of London, the University of Nottingham, and the Lyon Institute of Political Studies. The overall objective of the conference is to place hunger and its consequences centre stage in the analysis of post-war Francoism (1939-1950). A broad range of topics will be analysed and debated within the context of this period,



including malnutrition, clandestine emigration to France between 1945-1950, public health, agriculture and forced labour, to mention just a few.

The conference will examine the socio-economic and demographic aspects of this period as well as the drives behind and the consequences of the regime's social policies. It will explain the politics of memory at the local level and explore the social memory of the 'hunger years'; key elements which have contributed to the creation of future social attitudes.

While the study of Spain in the 1940s and 1950s has been understudied and poorly represented, the wider European literature has paid growing attention to famine (Ireland, Ukraine, Greece, the Netherlands, etc.). Researchers have also produced pioneering studies analysing the reconstruction of European societies after the catastrophe of war. It will explore the social memory of the hunger years and explain the politics of it

The event will be held as part of the project History and Memory of Hunger: society, everyday life, social attitudes and politics during the Franco dictatorship (1939-1959) or MEMOHAMBRE, which sets out both to integrate the Spanish case within the wider European literature and to generate new historical knowledge for present and future society.

Venue:

Faculty of Arts

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