Call for papers:

**Kent Frontier Research in Economic and Social History (FRESH) Meeting**

**Topic:** *Labor markets and human capital in historical perspective*

**Date:** June 5, 2014

**Hosting Institution:** School of Economics, University of Kent

**Keynote Speaker:** Patrick Wallis (LSE)

**Local Organizers:** Alex Klein

**FRESH Organizers:** Rowena Gray, Paul Sharp and Martin Uebele

ESRC (Britain's Economic and Social Research Council) have sponsored FRESH for 3 meetings across the UK during the period 2012-2014. The first one was a 2-day meeting hosted at LSE, the second was a 1-day meeting hosted at Essex. This meeting at Kent will be a 1-day workshop centered on the economic history of labor markets and human capital accumulation.

FRESH meetings are aimed at researchers in any field of economic and social history. The meetings build on the concept that scholars present their ongoing research at an early stage, i.e. normally before it becomes published as a working paper or the like, and certainly before it is published in books or journals. The main aim of the meetings is to gather researchers in a friendly and collegial environment where they can present their research and receive constructive criticism from their peers.

The FRESH meeting organizers strive to accommodate as many speakers as possible. Accepted papers will receive 30 minutes each (20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for discussion). However, in the interest of avoiding parallel sessions, the presentation time may be shortened.

There will be no registration fee for this meeting and there will be some support available for travel and accommodation, which will be allocated to graduate
student presenters as a priority. More information will be available once the program is finalized.

For this meeting we particularly encourage papers on all aspects of the economic history of labor markets and human capital, but submissions from scholars working in other areas are also welcome.

Prospective speakers should submit a one-page abstract and a short CV via the link on the FRESH website by April 17th 2014.

Notification of acceptance will be given by April 24th 2014.

For more information about FRESH meetings, please visit the FRESH website at http://www.sdu.dk/en/ivoe/fresh

Would you like to organize a FRESH meeting?
FRESH meetings have no permanent venue but take place at any institution around the world where there is an interest in having the FRESH meeting. Hosting institutions will be asked to provide a venue, including electronic equipment, and lunch and dinner for the meeting participants (usually 10-15). If you would like to organize a FRESH meeting at your institution, please contact the meeting organizers (contact details on the FRESH website: www.sdu.dk/en/ivoe/fresh).

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