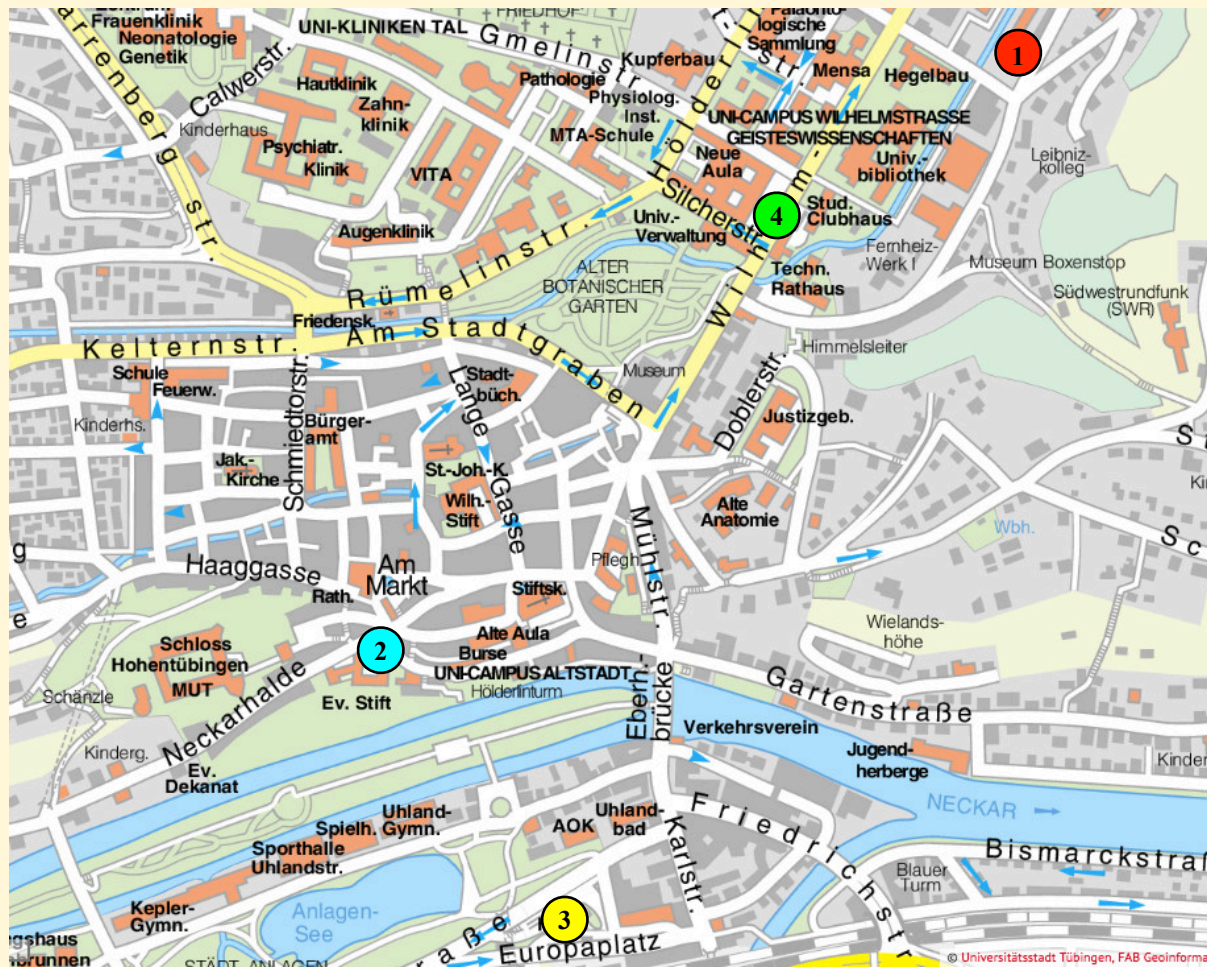


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Directions from the train station **3**

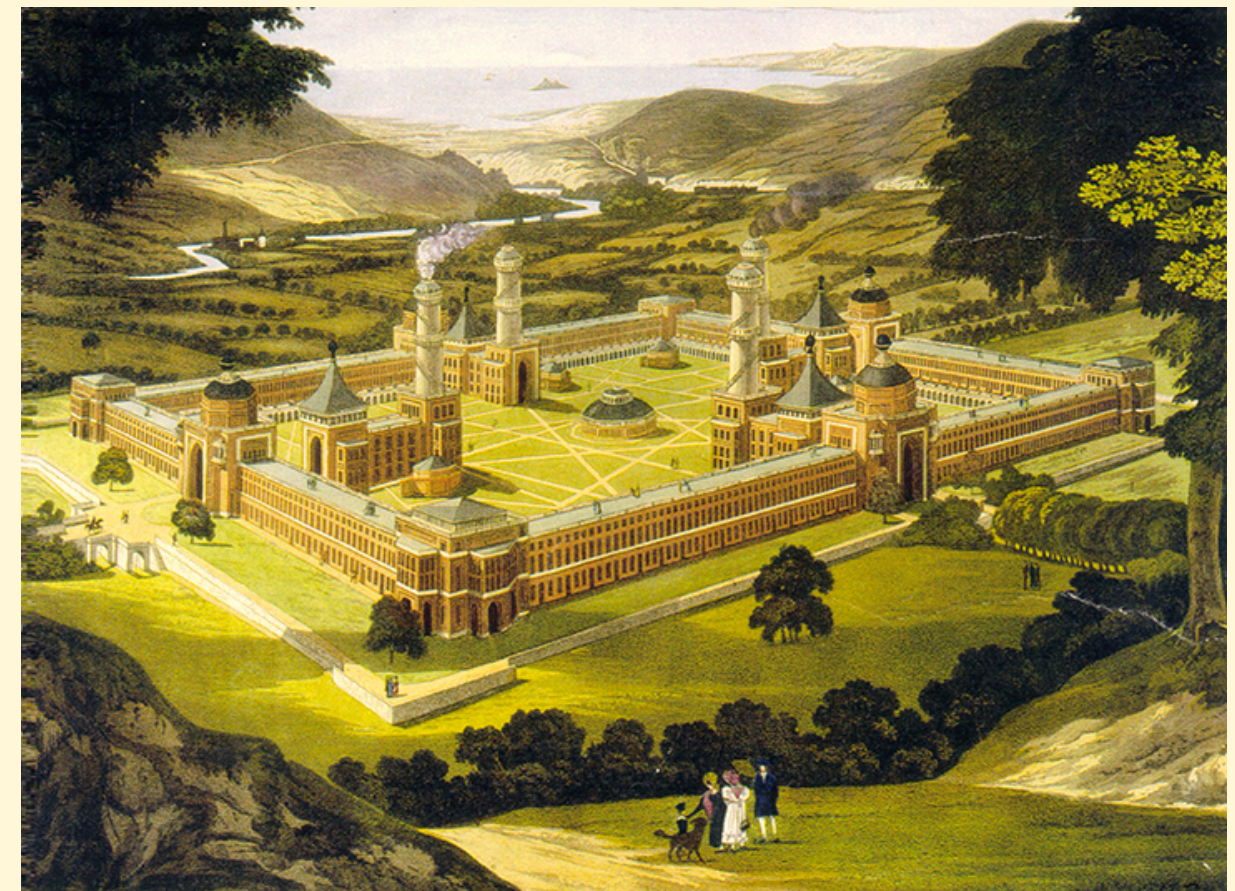
Take bus no. 1 or no. 7 from Bay G (every 15 mins); **OR** no. 2 (every 15 mins), no. 3 (every 30 mins), no. 4 from (every 15 mins) or no. 6 from Bay E (every 30 mins) to **Tübingen Uni/Neue Aula** **4** (3 stops). Follow Wilhelmstraße and turn right on Keplerstraße (5 mins). The workshop venue will be the **first building on your left after the small bridge**. **1**

Directions from Hotel Hospiz **2**

Follow the river to the main bridge (Neckarbrücke) and take bus 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, or 7 to **Tübingen Uni/Neue Aula** **4** (2 stops). Or walk directly to **Keplerstraße** (15 mins). **1**

What Would Jesus Fund?

Financing Religious Enterprises in the Long Eighteenth Century



Keynote Speaker

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ABSTRACT

While cliometrics has transformed our understanding of history over the past decades, the new economics of religion remains a comparatively small and emerging field. This is especially true with regard to the early modern period, where data is often incomplete, inconsistent or simply lacking. The economic developments of the long eighteenth century represented a major challenge for Christianity as a whole, in particular for religious dissenters, many of whom worked in crafts and trades. With colonialism, the triangular slave trade and the Industrial Revolution came globalisation, capital accumulation and consumerism. New economic opportunities not only encouraged religious migrations, but also introduced spiritual dilemmas, leading to as many diverging responses from one denomination to another. The Great Evangelical Awakening largely capitalised on colonial expansion and the transatlantic trade to reach new audiences, for instance. Conversely, some radical minorities rejected these evolutions and instead founded self-sufficient societies based on communal property on the model of the New Jerusalem. But who exactly funded these religious enterprises, how and why? What was the relationship, if any, between commercial and religious networks? To what extent did economic opportunities encourage religious migrations? Did dissenting attitudes towards wealth change from one generation to the next?

THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY

Room 2.81, Keplerstraße 2.

14:30 Welcome and coffee

15:00-15:10 Introduction

15:15-16:45 Session 1 – Halle Pietism

Kristian Mejrup (University of Copenhagen) – *Religious and Economic Migrations in Halle Pietism in the Early 18th Century*

Ulrike Gleixner (Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel) – *Funding of Missionary Activities: Supporters and Donators of the Halle Mission to India*

Comments – Tobias Graf (University of Tübingen)

16:45-17:15 Coffee break

Room 28, Hegelbau, Wilhelmstraße 36.

17:15-18:00 Keynote

Mark Valeri (Washington University, St. Louis, USA) – *Free Conscience, Conversion, and Social Realities in Eighteenth-Century America*

18:00-18:30 Discussion

19:00 Dinner

FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY

Room 2.81, Keplerstraße 2.

8:30-9:00 Coffee and Tea

9:00-10:30 Session 2 – The English Awakening

Lionel Laborie (Goldsmiths / University of Tübingen) – *From Profits to Prophets: How Capitalism Financed the Great Awakening*

Clive Norris (Oxford Centre for Methodism and Church History) – *Methodists and Money in the Long Eighteenth Century*

Comments – Daniel Menning (University of Tübingen)

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30 Session 3 – The Moravian Brethren

Christina Petterson (Australian National University) – *Communal Economy and Economic Community*

Thomas Dorfner (RWTH Aachen University) – „... denn der Heiland hat unsere vielen Fabriken gesegnet.“ *The Moravian Church as a Global Economic and Mission Enterprise (1760-1825)*

Comments – Renate Dürr (University of Tübingen)

12:30-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:45 Session 4 – The Atlantic World

Laura Dierksmeier (University of Tübingen) – *Too Successful for their own Good: Indigenous Confraternities in Eighteenth-Century Mexico*

Alexander Schunka (Freie Universität, Berlin) – *Who Will Pay for the Refugees? Financing Eighteenth-century Migrations in a Transatlantic Context*

Comments – Georg Schild (University of Tübingen)

14:45-15:15 Conclusion and general discussion

Susanne Lachenicht (University of Bayreuth)

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