

# An End to History?

## *Climate Change, the Past and the Future*

Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April

*The Birmingham and Midland Institute, Margaret Street, Birmingham, B3 3BS*

10.00-10.30 Registration

10.30-11.30 **Roundtable: What is Rescue History? (or What is the point of what we're doing?)**

Mark Levene, Jean-Francois Mouhot, Stefan Skrimshire, Kate Prendergast

11.30-12.40

### **Parallel Sessions**

#### ***Archaeology and Climate Change***

Gill Chitty, 'Old places, new stories'

Andy Howard, Keith Challis, Mark Kincey, 'The impact of climate change on archaeological resources in river catchments'

#### ***Debating Climate Change***

Christopher Shaw, 'When 2 becomes 3; defining safe limits in the climate change debate'

Benjamin Morris and Bradon Smith (University of Cambridge), 'The Rhetoric and Iconography of Climate Change'

12.40-1.1.40 Lunch

1.40-2.50

### **Parallel Sessions**

#### ***Charting Medieval Disasters***

Jim Galloway (Institute of Historical Research), 'Human response to storm surges in the later Middle Ages – some evidence from the tidal Thames'

Donald Walker and Amy Gray Jones (MoLAS), 'Global perspectives on mass fatalities in medieval London'

#### ***Bringing Climate Change into what we do***

Patrick Ainley, 'Education and Climate Change – some systemic connections'

Jonathan Coope, 'Climate Chaos/History Chaos: identifying an ethical role for the humanities in climate change debates'

2.55 - 3.45

#### ***Popular Responses to past climate change***

Sergio Fava (Lancaster University), 'Frozen Fictions: Popular Understanding of Climate Change in Seventeenth Century Britain'

Penny Roberts, (Warwick University), Respondent

3.45-4.00 Break

4.00-5.30

#### **Closing session: Does contemporary history have anything to teach us?**

Jan Oosthoek, 'The costly delay: lessons of the ozone problem for tackling globalwarming'

Colin Feltham: Chair and Respondent