

Letter from the Editors

The five articles presented in this issue are the result of a recent workshop entitled “Local Encounters and the Global Circulation of Knowledge, 1750-1850”, which was held on 9 June 2008 and organised by Leiden University's Institute for History and the University of Twente's Center for Science, Technology, Health and Policy Studies (STeHPS). We are honoured to have Lissa Roberts, one of the main organisers of the workshop, as our guest editor for this special issue. The articles and general theme are properly introduced by her on the following pages.

Having had the luxury of a guest editor of course does not mean that the staff editors were idle during the past few months! Indeed, we have been working towards some important organisational changes for the journal about which we will update you in the following issues.

Our review editor Laura Cruz has once more succeeded in putting together a great number of reviews and two review essays of exciting recent publications for our ever-expanding review section.

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