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The Institute for Colonial and Postcolonial Studies and the School of Modern Languages and Cultures of the University of Leeds invite scholars interested in the history of slavery in the Atlantic world in the Age of Revolution to participate of a two-day conference whose purpose will be to stimulate a discussion of the political processes of slavery, abolition and empire that at once shaped and were shaped by the Atlantic world. Our goal would be to examine the articulations of the slavery, anti-slavery, and slave resistance with the politics of empire, anti-colonial nationalism, state formation, interstate relations and international law and their cumulative effects throughout the Atlantic world over a long historical period.

By these means we seek to promote a discussion of the political constitution of the Atlantic as an historical space in contrast to soliciting monographic contributions that are inserted in the Atlantic. Rather than simply a commemorative conference, we intend to contextualise and reinterpret British anti-slavery and slave resistance throughout the Atlantic in terms of their Atlantic causes and consequences.

We welcome paper and panel proposals from both established and junior scholars. Please send your proposals by email either to Dr Manuel Barcia, m.barcia@leeds.ac.uk or Professor Dale Tomich, dtomich@binghamton.edu. Deadline for proposals: 20 September 2007. For more details visit our webpage at: http://www.leeds.ac.uk/icps/.