ENLIGHTENMENT COSMOPOLITANISM AND SENSIBILITIES/COSMOPOLITAN MOMENTS WORKSHOPS

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Lower Common Room
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The character of practiced cosmopolitanism during the Enlightenment often appears to amount to little more than an extension of early modern courtly internationalism infused with a new language of ideas. Further investigation reveals the desire on the part of Enlightenment cosmopolites to open borders in the name of economic, political, intellectual and artistic progress. This workshop explores cosmopolitanism in practice during the long eighteenth century in Europe and, through circulation, beyond its borders. It seeks out lived experiences of cosmopolitanism in the evidence of visual, social and textual expressions, and then asks how to interrogate this evidence. What were the opportunities through which border crossings became fixed in the minds of participants and observers? How was Enlightenment cosmopolitanism in practice inflected with different forms of sensibility?

There is no charge for attendance at the workshops, but advance registration is required for catering purposes. Registration requests must be received by 4 June 2014. Places are limited and we may not be able to accommodate all requests. To view the program, paper abstracts and register visit the Sydney Intellectual History Network (http://sydney.edu.au/intellectual-history/).