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**Sound Toll Registers Online (STRO)  
Annual Conference  
Early Modern Trade & Transport  
Thursday 25 October – Friday 26 October 2018**

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The University of Groningen and Tresoar, the Frisian Historical and Literary Centre at Leeuwarden have been building an electronic database for the Sound Toll Registers (STR), dubbed *Sound Toll Registers online*, short: STRO. The database is freely accessible by everybody via the internet: [www.soundtoll.nl](http://www.soundtoll.nl).

These records of the toll the king of Denmark levied on the passage of ships through the Sound, the strait between Denmark and Sweden linking the North Sea and the Baltic, are an important source of researching economic history of Europe and the larger world. They have been preserved for about 300 of the 360 years from 1497 to 1857 and include a practically uninterrupted series from 1574 to 1857. The STR contain information on about 1.8 million passages.

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**Thursday, 25 October 2018**

**09:15-09:45** Coffee & Registration

**09:45-10:00** Welcome Note by **Raingard Esser**, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

**Session I Chair: Jan Willem Veluwenkamp**, Groningen, The Netherlands.

**10:00-10:20** **Siem van der Woude**, Tresoar, Leeuwarden, The Netherlands.

*STR-online: harvest in full swing*

**10:20-11:00** **Hanno Brand**, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

*The ascent of Frisian shipping in the Baltic in the 16th and early 17th centuries. An assessment based on STRO*

**11:00-11:40** **Henri Hannula**, University of Helsinki, Finland.

*Combining the STR-data and Diplomatic Archival Sources of Dutch Baltic Relations (Late 17th and Early 18th Centuries)*

**11:40-12:20** **Jeroen Benders**, Groningen, The Netherlands.

*Dutch trade in the Baltic Sea area in the 15th century*

**12:30-13:30** Lunch

**13:30-14:30** City Walk – Groningen's Maritime Heritage

**14:30-15:00** Coffee

**Session II Chair: Anjana Singh**, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

**15:00-15:40** **Jan Parmentier**, MAS, Antwerp, Belgium.

*Danish tea in Ostend: a smuggling story*

**15:40-16:20** **Torben Dall Schmidt**, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark.

*Sweet Trade and Old Habits: Privileges and Sugar Trade to 17 Baltic Towns from 7 European Trading Hubs in the Period 1769-1805*

**16:20-17:00** **Tamira Combrink**, IISG, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

*Dutch export of slave-based commodities in the 18th century*

**17:00-17:40** **Battista Severgnini**, CBS, Denmark

*Land reclamation and Trade in the First Modern Economy*

**18:00 – 19:15** Reception Café de Sleutel, Noorderhaven 72, 9712 VM Groningen

**19:15 – 21:30** Dinner: Café de Sleutel, Noorderhaven 72, 9712 VM Groningen

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## Friday, 26 October 2018

**09:15-09:40 Coffee**

**Session III Chair: Arne Solli**, University of Bergen, Norway.

**09:40-10:20 Gilian Brouwer**, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.  
*Visualizing Trade: an analysis of the Baltic Sea trade in the 18th century.*

**10:20-11:00 Timo Tiainen**, University of Jyväskylä, Finland.  
*The Reassessment of STRO as a possible source for construction of International Trade Flow Series*

**11:00-11:40 Carsten Jahnke**, University of Copenhagen, Denmark.  
*The timber trade from and into the Baltic. Sources and problems*

**12:00-13:00 City Walk – Groningen’s Slavery Heritage**

**13:00-13:45 Lunch**

**13:45-14:00 Coffee**

**Session IV Chair: Jan Willem Veluwenkamp**, Groningen.

**14:00-14:40 Fabienne Krauer**, University of Oslo, Norway.  
*How trade routes shaped the dissemination of plague in preindustrial Europe*

**14:40-15:20 Stuart Eve**, L - P: Archaeology, United Kingdom  
*Trade Winds - Spatial Visualisation of Historic Shipping Routes*

**15:20-16:40 Sven Ristau**, University of Greifswald, Germany.  
*Tracing the innovation - Sound Toll Registers and their insights for the steamship expansion in the Baltic Sea Region*

**16:40 – 17:20 Jelle van Lottum**, Huygens Institute for the History of the Netherlands, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.  
*Connecting archives: the Sound Toll Registers and the Prize Papers Archive*