The Dollar Trap: How the U.S. Dollar Tightened Its Grip on Global Finance by Eswar S. Prasad
From Dust to Life: The Origin and Evolution of Our Solar System by John Chambers & Jacqueline Mitton
Beautiful Geometry by Eli Maor & Eugen Jost
Oxygen: A Four Billion Year History by Donald E. Canfield
Dictionary of Untranslatables: A Philosophical Lexicon edited by Barbara Cassin
Essays and Reviews: 1959-2002 by Bernard Williams
Mirror, Mirror: The Uses and Abuses of Self-Love by Simon Blackburn
The Princeton Guide to Evolution edited by Jonathan B. Losos
GDP: A Brief but Affectionate History by Diane Coyle
The Terrorist’s Dilemma: Managing Violent Covert Organizations by Jacob N. Shapiro

For a complimentary copy of any of our titles, including those listed above, please email Hannah Paul with your request.
**RECENT HIGHLIGHTS**

**PUP TITLES MAKE THE BEST BOOKS LISTS FOR 2013**

We were thrilled to see a number of Princeton titles appear on so many ‘best books of the year’ lists at the end of 2013. Such recognition is a testament to the high calibre of our authors and our books, and we congratulate all of our colleagues involved in making each of these titles a success.

**Guardian**

Best Books

Guardian

Best Nature Books

New Scientist Gift Guide: Pick of the Best Science Books

BloombergBusinessweek

Best Books

Wall Street Journal

Best Non-fiction

**History Today**

Books of the Year

**WELCOME, SARAH CARO**

It is with pleasure that we announce the arrival of a new colleague in our European office: Sarah Caro joins us as Publisher for Social Sciences. She has over twenty years’ experience in publishing including previous roles as Senior Commissioning Editor for Psychology and Sociology at Cambridge University Press, Publisher for Economics and Finance at Oxford University Press, Senior Editor for Non Fiction at Profile Books and most recently Publisher for Economics and Management journals at John Wiley & Sons. I hope you will join us in welcoming Sarah to the PUP Europe team.

**A. DOUGLAS STONE ON EINSTEIN AND QUANTUM THEORY**

We were honoured to welcome A. Douglas Stone, Carl A. Morse Professor of Applied Physics and Physics at Yale University, to the UK at the end of January for a successful event at the Royal Institution in London. Professor Stone was here to discuss his new book, *Einstein and the Quantum*, a compelling blend of physics, biography, and the history of science which tells the untold story of how Einstein—not Max Planck or Niels Bohr—was the driving force behind early quantum theory. Whilst in the UK, Professor Stone also made the trip to Oxford’s beloved Blackwell’s bookshop to talk about the book with local experts and physics fans.
FRANCISCO BETHENCOURT ON RACISM

Francisco Bethencourt, Charles Boxer Professor of History at King’s College London, launched his book, *Racisms: From the Crusades to the Twentieth Century* at King’s College on Wednesday 5th February. The event formed part of the successful Imperial and World History seminar series at the University of London, and was hosted by Richard Drayton, Rhodes Professor of Imperial History.

Bethencourt’s book is truly groundbreaking in its global and historical scope, demonstrating that there is not one continuous tradition of racism in the West, and that racism preceded any theories of race and must be viewed within the prism and context of social hierarchies and local conditions. He argues that, in its various aspects, all racism has been triggered by political projects monopolizing specific economic and social resources.

The book has received some astounding coverage in the national press, and reviews are available to read online from *The Independent, Standpoint, Prospect,* and *The New Statesman.* Professor Bethencourt also appeared recently on BBC World Service’s *The Forum* to discuss the book. You may listen again to the programme here.

FRAGILE BY DESIGN - CHARLES W. CALOMIRIS ON THE POLITICAL ORIGINS OF BANKING CRISIS

Charles W. Calomiris, Henry Kaufman Professor of Financial Institutions at Columbia Business School and a professor at Columbia’s School of International and Public Affairs visited the UK at the end of February to promote his new book (co-authored with Stephen H. Haber), *Fragile by Design.* The book asks the pertinent question: why are banking systems unstable in so many countries -- but not in others? For instance, the United States has had twelve systemic banking crises since 1840, while Canada has had none.

With its rigorous analysis of the political and banking history of the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Brazil through several centuries, *Fragile by Design* demonstrates that chronic banking crises and scarce credit are not accidents due to unforeseen circumstances. Rather, these fluctuations result from the complex bargains made between politicians, bankers, bank shareholders, depositors, debtors, and taxpayers. This book reveals the many ways in which politics inevitably intrudes into bank regulation. Read the author’s interview in *Prospect* magazine here or watch the video of his event last week at the RSA to find out more.

COMING UP

** GREG CLARK, THE SON ALSO RISES

Greg Clark, author of the best-selling *A Farewell to Alms: A Brief Economic History of the World,* returns with his new book which employs the novel technique of tracking family names over generations to measure social mobility across countries and periods. His study reveals that mobility rates are lower than conventionally estimated, and demonstrates how fate is determined by ancestry. Almost all societies—as different as the modern United States, Communist China, and modern Japan—have similarly low social mobility rates. These figures are impervious to institutions, and it takes hundreds of years for descendants to shake off the advantages and disadvantages of their ancestors.

Professor Clark will be in the UK during the first week of March to talk about his book at various events, and full details are available in the events schedule at the end of the newsletter. To find out more, please email Caroline Priday.
** OXFORD LITERARY FESTIVAL 2014**

We are delighted to announce that we will have ten authors from the PUP list appearing at this year’s Oxford Literary Festival which takes place 22nd-30th March. Highlights include Robert Bartlett speaking about his latest book, *Why Can the Dead Do Such Great Things?* on 25th March at 6pm, Edmund Fawcett discussing *Liberalism: The Life of an Idea* on 29th March at 10am, and Ian Goldin delivering the first Princeton Lecture in association with the Oxford Literary Festival on 27th March at 4pm. Full details of the schedule are available on the Oxford Literary Festival website, but for additional information on any PUP events, please email Katie Lewis.

** THE PRINCETON IN EUROPE LECTURE - 8TH APRIL 2014**

We are pleased to invite you all to join us for this year’s Princeton in Europe lecture, to be held at the British Academy and delivered by Diarmaid MacCulloch on 8th April 2014. In an intriguing exercise in counter-factual history, Professor MacCulloch will look at medieval Europe and ask: ‘What if Arianism had won?’

Drinks will be served from 5.30pm, and the lecture will begin at 6.30pm in the Wolfson Auditorium. Members of the advisory board are also invited to join our speaker for dinner in the Music Room at the British Academy after the lecture, so please do let us know if you plan to attend. RSVP by emailing Hannah Paul.

** BOARD MEMBERS’ NEWS**

** Kai Brodersen** will be a Visiting Fellow at the Academy Institute for Humanities Research (Institutul de Cercetari Socio-Umane) in Sibiu, Romania in autumn 2014.

** Paul Cartledge** was a consultant for the second series of BBC Radio 4’s *The Ideas That Make Us*, presented by the historian Bettany Hughes. The series aims to reveal the history of the most influential ideas in the story of civilisation, ideas which continue to affect us all today, including Liberty, Comedy, Hospitality, Wisdom, and Peace. The episodes are all available online to listen again, here.

** Diane Coyle** is now Professor at the University of Manchester, as of January 2014. She will teach undergraduates at Manchester, give a public lecture each year and work with academic colleagues and policy makers. Diane’s new book, *GDP: A Brief but Affectionate History*, is also out now from Princeton.

** Sally Hardy** has been invited to join the HEFCE OA monographs Expert Group. If any of you would like to contact Sally to discuss this role or the aims of the group, please feel free to email her at sally@regionalstudies.org.

** Stephen Harrison** will hold a fellowship at the Princeton Institute for Advanced Study Jan-March 2015.

** Lucien Jaume** is now a member of the board of experts for the *American Political Science Review*.

** John Kay** was awarded a CBE in the 2014 New Year Honours List, for services to economics.

** Nigel Warburton**’s book *Philosophy: the Classics* has just been published in its 4th edition, and his podcast series *Philosophy Bites* (co-presented with David Edmonds) has now passed 20 million downloads.

Please do let us know what you’ve been up to recently: email Hannah Paul with your news.
5th March  - Gregory Clark on BBC Radio 4’s *Thinking Allowed* (4pm)

6th March  - Gregory Clark lecture at the RSA, London - The Truth about Social Mobility (1pm)

12th March - Merry White discusses *Cooking for Crowds* on BBC Radio 4’s *Midweek* (9am)

12th March - David Runciman discusses Crisis and Democracy with Jesse Norman MP at the Institute for Government (5.45pm)

14th March - Half-Day Colloquium on Andrew Sabl’s *Hume’s Politics* at Stewart House, University of London (2pm-6pm)

24th March - Jacqueline Mitton at Oxford Literary Festival - In Search of our Cosmic Origins: From the Big Bang to a Habitable Planet (4pm, Christ Church: Blue Boar)


25th March - Robert Bartlett on *Why Can the Dead Do Such Great Things?* at Oxford Literary Festival (2pm, Christ Church: Festival Room 1)

25th March - An Evening with Michael Scott at Heffers Bookshop, Cambridge (6.15pm)

26th March - Michael Scott on *Delphi: A History of the Centre of the Ancient World* at Oxford Literary Festival (10am, Christ Church: Blue Boar)

26th March - Simon Blackburn on *Mirror, Mirror: The Uses and Abuses of Self-Love* at Oxford Literary Festival (4pm, Christ Church: Blue Boar)

27th March - Roger Scruton on *The Soul of the World* at Oxford Literary Festival (12pm, Corpus Christi College)


28th March - Alexander McCall Smith on *What W H Auden Can Do For You* at Oxford Literary Festival (12pm, Sheldonian Theatre)

28th March - Averil Cameron on *Byzantine Matters* at Oxford Literary Festival (2pm, Christ Church: Festival Room 2)

29th March - Edmund Fawcett on *Liberalism: The Life of an Idea* at Oxford Literary Festival (10am, Oxford Martin School: Seminar Room)

5th April  - David Runciman on *The Confidence Trap* at Cambridge Literature Festival (10am, Divinity School Lecture Hall)