

## HIS2171 Våren 2009

### Diverging Paths

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#### Detaljert undervisningsplan

Mandager 12.15-14.00 PA Munch sem rom 12

Onsdager 10.15-12.00 NH Abel sem rom 410.

### Seminar 12.01

*Introduction to the course; practical information; initial discussion – and the British Industrial revolution.*

Read as much of the literature as possible before the start of the course, and come prepared to discuss the question: How did the West get rich?

Fill in the “brainstorming” table below, and bring it with you to the first seminar. Base your assessment on your general impression, intuitive understanding, and your past and present reading and learning. Give each factor a value ranging from 1 to 10. This is not a test, purely a tool to enhance our discussion!

#### “Brainstorming”: what were the key factors responsible for “the Rise of the West”?

FACTORS	Values (1 to 10)
Geography	
Science and technology	
Natural resources	
Psychological factors	
Cultural factors	
Exploitation/imperialism/plunder, etc.	
Luck/favourable historical contingencies	
Other (please specify)	