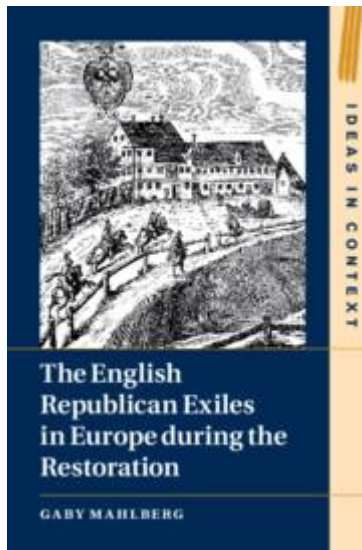


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The English Republican Exiles in Europe during the Restoration

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The Restoration of the Stuart monarchy in 1660 changed the lives of English republicans for good. Despite the Declaration of Breda, in which Charles II promised to forgive those who had acted against his father and the monarchy during the Civil War and Interregnum, opponents of the Stuart regime felt unsafe, and many were actively persecuted. Nevertheless, their ideas lived on in the political underground of England and in the exile networks they created abroad. While much of the historiography of English republicanism has focused on the British Isles and the legacy of the English Revolution in the American colonies, this study traces the lives, ideas and networks of three seventeenth-century English republicans who left England for the European Continent after the Restoration. On the basis of sources from a range of English

and continental European archives, Gaby Mahlberg explores the ideas and lived experiences of these three exiles - Edmund Ludlow in Switzerland, Henry Neville in Italy and Algernon Sidney, who travelled widely across Europe until he finally settled in the south of France – for a truly transnational perspective on early modern English republicanism.

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