



ACORSO RIG *Tailoring for Women 1750-1930:* August 2021 News update

1: We are delighted that the Power point presentation of our current research has now gone live on the ACORSO Research website.

2: We have 30 members in our group (from UK, USA, Germany & Spain) with 8 sub-groups, with each one researching a specific *Tailoring for Women 1750-1930* topic. The most active on-going research includes the following themes:

- Couture tailored clothes for women 1860-1930 and its comparative trans-European and trans-Atlantic design, making distribution.
- The sources/names of specific woollen fabrics used for women's tailored clothes, across Europe, UK and USA. –
- The technical development of waterproofing for woollen cloth used for 'costumes' 'suits' and Ulsters and its methods of application on garments.
- The different qualities of middle and mass manufactured garments and consequent price differences (from couture/bespoke, made to measure, to dept. stores, workshops and mass factory manufacture by c. 1895. Our current focus is on the years 1750-1900, particularly in the UK, France, the USA and in mid19th century Australia.

3: We are delighted to invite all members of ACORSO to join us for our 2 day conference on Sept 18th and Sept 25th- 2021:

'Women's Tailored Clothes across Britain, Ireland, Europe and the Americas, 1750-1920.

- Day 1 *'Tailored clothes for women in Ireland-1750-1920 in the context of Irish social history.'*
- Day 2: *'The Transnational Diffusion of Women's Tailoring style across Europe and the Americas, 1750-1920.'*
- Contact: Dr. Suzanne Rowland. [S.Rowland2@brighton.ac.uk] Conference Organiser, for further information on joining us virtually at this conference We looking forward to seeing you.

Further general info from Lou Taylor [E.P.Taylor@brighton.ac.uk]