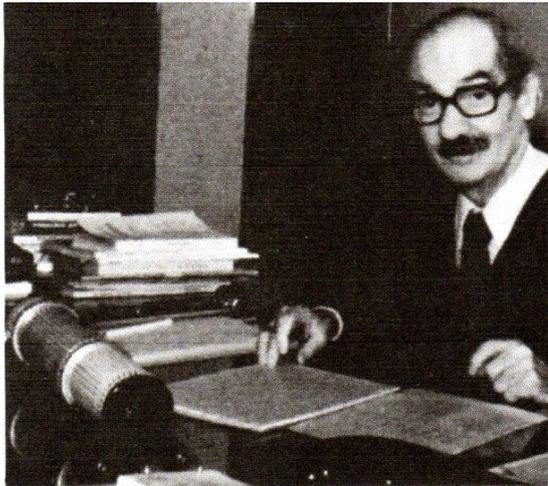


# ESHD Louis Henry Award 2023



Source: Population, 1992, 47(1), p. 41

Louis Henry gained a worldwide reputation when, in the 1950s, he formalised and stabilised 'family reconstitution', a method of creating high quality demographic data from parish registers. This rapidly became a terrific success, and subsequent studies of hundreds of parishes, through the patient and careful work of a new generation of historical demographers, have dramatically progressed our knowledge of population.

Louis Henry was born in 1911 and after an initial career in the army, he became a member of the “Institut National d’Etudes Démographiques” in Paris in 1946. His demographic studies rapidly convinced him that the present cannot be understood if we do not know the past. Louis Henry played a decisive role in the expansion of historical demography, through manuals which bring an absolute rigor and a sharp critical mind to procedures of data collection, linkage and analysis.

**The Louis Henry Award has been established by the European Society of Historical Demography to recognize methodological innovations in data collection, constructions of historical population databases, dissemination of data to the international research communities, visualization or analysis.**

We invite the candidates to submit a paper done between April 2021 and August 2023. It could be a published, accepted, in press paper, or the text of a presentation accepted for the Nijmegen ESHD Conference. Manuscripts must be submitted **before the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2023**, attached to an email to 'Secretary ESHD' [secretary@eshd.eu](mailto:secretary@eshd.eu), email mentioning "Candidacy to the Louis Henry Award 2023". After careful review and



deliberation members of the ESHD designated by the Council will select the successful candidate(s) and the laureate(s) announced at the end of the Nijmegen conference.