

# Frontiers in Chinese Economic History

## Shattuck Hotel

Berkeley, CA

November 6---7

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

12:00 --- 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 --- 1:15 p.m. Welcome and Introductions

#### **Session I: Public Policy and Unintended Consequences**

1:15 --- 2:05 p.m. “Buddha’s Grace Illuminates All: Temple Destruction, School Construction, and Modernization in the 20th Century China”  
Shaoda Wang (UC---Berkeley) and Boxiao Zhang (Peking University)

2:10---3:00 p.m. “Historical Traumas and the Roots of Political Distrust: Political Inference from the Great Chinese Famine”  
Yuyu Chen (Peking University) and David Y. Yang (Stanford)

3:00---3:30 p.m. Coffee Break

#### **Session II: The “Little Divergence”**

3:30 --- 4:20 p.m. “Geopolitics and Asia’s Little Divergence”  
Mark Koyama (George Mason), Chiaki Moriguchi (Hitotsubashi), and Tuan Hwee Sng (National University of Singapore)

4:20--- 5:00 p.m. Coffee Break

### **Session III. Roundtable**

5:00 --- 6:45 p.m. "Reflections on the Great Divergence"

Debin Ma (LSE), Ian Morris (Stanford) & Jean---Laurent Rosenthal (Caltech)

7:00 – 7:30 p.m. **Reception**

Location: Revival, 2102 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley

7:30 --- 9:30 p.m. **Dinner**

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## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH**

8:00 --- 8:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast

### **Session IV. Law & Economics in Imperial China**

8:45 --- 9:35 a.m. "A Quantitative Reassessment of Qing Dynasty China"

Zhiwu Chen (Yale), Kaixiang Peng (Henan University), Lijun Zhu (Washington University, St. Louis)

### **Session V. Capital Markets in China**

9:40 --- 10:30 a.m. "Counterfeiter Paradox: Who Defended Monetary Stability in the Ancient World?"

Sheng Qian (Peking University), Lemin Wu (Peking University)

10:30 – 10:50 a.m. Coffee Break

10:50 --- 11:40 a.m. "Silver Points, Silver Flows, and the Measure of Chinese Financial Integration"

David Jacks (Simon Fraser), Se Yan (Peking University), and Liuyan Zhao (Peking University)

11:45 – 12:35 a.m. "International Liquidity Shocks, the Real Economy, and Social Unrest: China, 1931---1935"

Fabio Braggion (Tilburg), Alberto Manconi (Tilburg), and Haikun Zhu (Tilburg)

12:35 – 1:20 Lunch

**Session VI. Migration and Human Geography**

1:20 – 2:10 p.m. “Friends from Afar: Migration, Cultural Proximity and Primary Schooling in Lower Yangzi, 1850---1949”

Yu Hao (Peking University) and Meng Xue (UCLA)

2:15 – 3:05 p.m. “The Return on Moving to the Right Place at the Right Time: The Economic Consequence of the Manchuria Plague of 1910---11 on Migrants”

Dan Li (Fudan) and Nan Li (SHUFE)

3:05 --- 3:25 p.m. Coffee Break

**Session VII. Trade and Public Finance**

3:25 --- 4:15 p.m. “Tax Reform, Protests, and the Incidence of Taxes in Eighteenth-Century China”

Cong Liu (University of Arizona)

4:20 – 5:10 “New Technology and Domestic Trade: China during the Treaty Port Era”

Wolfgang Keller (University of Colorado Boulder), Carol H. Shiue (University of Colorado Boulder), and Javier Andres Santiago (University of Colorado Boulder)

5:30 p.m. Post-Conference Festivities