Asian Historical Economics Conference 2010

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International Organizers:

The University of Warwick Hitotsubashi University

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Venue:

201 Shunde Building, School of Economics and Management Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

PROGRAM

Wednesday, May 19

DAY ONE

- 8:10-8:40 Registration
- 8:40-8:45 **Opening & Introduction** by CCWE Director David Li
- 8:45-8:47 Condolence for Angus Maddison by Professor Harry X. Wu, IER, Hitotsubashi University
- 8:47-8:55 Welcome by Tsinghua SEM Dean Yingyi Qian
- 8:55-9:40 Keynote Remarks (5-10 min each, with bilingual translation)
- 1. ZHANG Donggang, Vice Director General, Department of Social Sciences, Ministry of Education
- 2. LIU Lanxi, Secretary General, China Association of Historical Economics, Speaks on behalf of WU Chenming, Prominent Scholar of Historical Economics, Former Chair of China Association of Historical Economics
- 3. DONG Zhikai, Chair of China Association of Historical Economics
- 4. HUANG Guitian, Associate Dean, Peking University School of Economics
- 5. Professor Steve Broadberry, University of Warwick

6. Professor Kyoji Fukao, Hitotsubashi University

MORNING SESSION

PRESENTATIONS: Each paper has been allocated a 40 minute slot. Presentations by the authors should be limited to 25 minutes to allow 15 minutes for questions and discussion

Moderator: Harry X. Wu, Hitotsubashi University

9:40-10:20 Paper 1

Endogenous Tariffs and Growth: Asia versus Latin America 1870-1940 *Michael A. Clemens (Center for Global Development) Jeffrey G. Williamson (Harvard University and University of Wisconsin)

10:20-11:00 Paper 2

Relative Prices as Clues to Global Divergence, 1500-1870 Peter H. Lindert (University of California, Davis)

11:00-11:20 Coffee and Tea

11:20-12:00 Paper 3

Before the Great Divergence? Comparing the Yangzi Delta and the Netherlands at the Beginning of the Nineteenth Century Bozhong Li (Tsinghua University) Jan Luiten van Zanden (Utrecht University)

12:00-12:40 Paper 4

A Study of Economic Growth and Structure in China's Ming Dynasty Guan Hanhui (Tsinghua University) David Daokui Li (Tsinghua University)

12:40-14:00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION Moderator: Debin Ma, London School of Economics

14:00-14:40 Paper 5

Indian GDP, 1600-1871: Some Preliminary Estimates and a Comparison with Britain Stephen Broadberry (University of Warwick) Bishnupriya Gupta (University of Warwick)

14:40-15:20 Paper 6

Decomposition of Income Gaps between China, Japan and the United States for Circa 1935 by a Production PPP Approach Kyoji Fukao (Hitotsubashi University) Harry X. Wu (Hitotsubashi University) Tangjun Yuan (Fudan University)

15:20-16:00 Paper 7

Factor Prices, Population, and Productivity in Korea, 1700-1900 Myung Soo Cha (Yeungnam University)

16:00-16:20 Coffee and Tea

16:20-17:00 Paper 8

Unveiling Historical Occupational Structures and its Implications for Sectoral Labour Productivity Analysis in Japan's Economic Growth Osamu Saito (Cambridge Group and Hitotsubashi University) *Tokihiko Settsu (Hitotsubashi University)

17:00-17:40 Paper 9

Regional Inequality and Industrial Structures in Pre-War Japan: An Analysis Based on New Prefectural GDP Estimates

Jean-Pascal Bassino (University of Montpellier III and Hitotsubashi University)

Kyoji Fukao (Hitotsubashi University)

*Ralph Paprzycki (Hitotsubashi University)

*Tokihiko Settsu (Hitotsubashi University)

Tangjun Yuan (Fudan University)

17:40-18:20 Paper 10

Agglomeration or Selection?: The Case of the Japanese Silk-Reeling Industry, 1909-1916

*Yutaka Arimoto (The University of Tokyo)

*Kentaro Nakajima (Tohoku University) Tetsuji Okazaki (The University of Tokyo)

18:50-20:30 Dinner (Remarks by One of the Co-organizers)

20:30-21:30 *Launch of Asian Historical Economics Society, executed by the AHEC Steering Committee

Thursday, May 20

DAY TWO

MORNING SESSION

PRESENTATIONS: Each paper has been allocated a 40 minute slot. Presentations by the authors should be limited to 25 minutes to allow 15 minutes for questions and discussion

Moderator: Stephen Broadberry, University of Warwick

9:00-9:40 Paper 11

Human Capital, Institutions, Settler Mortality, and Economic Growth in Africa, Asia and the Americas Valeria Prayon (University of Tübingen) Jörg Baten (University of Tübingen)

9:40-10:20 Paper 12

Human Capital and Fertility in Chinese Clans, 1300-1850 Carol H. Shiue (University of Colorado)

10:20-11:00 Paper 13

South Asian Economy During 16th-18th Centuries and the Great Divergence Debate Najaf Haider (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

11:00-11:20 Coffee and Tea

11:20-12:00 Paper 14 *Veterans and Ethnic Cleansing in the Partition of India* Saumitra Jha (Stanford Graduate School of Business) *Steven Wilkinson (Yale University)

12:00-12:40 Paper 15

Rethinking the Origins of British India: State Formation and Military-Fiscal Undertakings in an Eighteenth Century World Region

Tirthankar Roy (London School of Economics)

12:40-14:00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION Moderator: Kyoji Fukao, Hitotsubashi University

14:00-14:40 Paper 16

Ottoman State Finances in European Perspective, 1500-1914 K. Kivanç Karaman (Bogaziçi University)

Şevket Pamuk (London School of Economics)

14:40-15:20 Paper 17 (Canceled)

Government Ownership and Productivity: A Historical Perspective from Indian Railways *Dan Bogart (University of California, Irvine) *Latika Chaudhary (Scripps College)

15:20-16:00 Paper 18

Indonesia's Regional Welfare Development, 1900-1990: New Anthropometric Evidence *Peter Földvári (University of Debrecen) *Jozsef Gáll (University of Debrecen) *Daan Marks (Utrecht University) Bas van Leeuwen (Free University, Utrecht University, Warwick University)

16:00-16:20 Coffee and Tea

16:20-17:00 Paper 19

Rice Price, Grain Wages of Carpenters, and Skill Premium in Kyoto ca. 1260-1600 A Comparison with London, Florence, Istanbul, and Cairo Jean-Pascal Bassino (University of Montpellier III and Hitotsubashi University) Kyoji Fukao (Hitotsubashi University) Masanori Takashima (Hitotsubashi University)

17:00-17:40 Paper 20

Commercialization as Exogenous Shocks: The Effect of the Soybean Trade in Manchurian Villages, 1895-1934

James Kai-sing Kung (The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology) *Nan Li (The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

17:40-18:20 Paper 21

Globalization, Trade & Wages: What Does History Tell Us About China? Kris James Mitchener (Santa Clara University) Se Yan (Peking University)

Friday, May 21

DAY THREE

MORNING SESSION Moderator: Li Bozhong, Tsinghua University

9:00-9:40 Paper 22

Determinants of Private Interest Rates in the Republic of China Period Chen Zhiwu (Yale University) Peng Kaixiang (Henan University)

9:40-10:20 Paper 23

A Mirror of History: Chinese Bond Market from 1921 to 1942 *Chun-Yu Ho (Georgia Institute of Technology) Dan Li (Fudan Univeristy)

10:20-11:10 Paper 24 & 25 (shorter presentations)

The Diversification of Land Transactions in Late Imperial China Long Denggao (Tsinghua University)

Money and Prices in China on the Eve of Opium War: a Preliminary Report from Tong Taisheng Account Books (1800-1850)

Debin Ma (London School of Economics) Weipeng Yuan (Chinese Academy of Social Science, Beijing)

11:10-11:30 Coffee and Tea

11:30-12:10 Paper 26

China's Long-term Economic Growth: Retrospect and Prospect Loren Brandt (University of Toronto) Debin Ma (London School of Economics) Thomas G. Rawski (University of Pittsburgh)

12:10-14:00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION Moderator: Debin Ma, London School of Economics

- 14:00-15:30 A Round Table Discussion on historical economics in China and its future, plus the prospects for collaboration between economic historians in China and abroad Part I
- 15:30-15:50 Coffee and Tea
- 15:50-17:10 Part II

17:10 End of the Conference

NOTE:

- 1. Those marked with * are co-authors who will not participate in the conference
- 2. May 22-23 will be for Beijing tours to Ming Tombs, the Great Wall, Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, etc. for the participants on a voluntary and self-paid basis. The tours will be organized by a professional tour company that provides English guides.