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CHAIR'S LETTER

Dear Members:

It is my honor to send this letter to you.

It has been another busy but harvest year for the CGSG. In the Washington, D.C meeting, we sponsored 35 sessions at the AAG annual meeting (a record high), many of which were co-sponsored with other speciality groups, including Asia, Economic, Political, Urban, Regional Development and Planning, Geomorphology, Remote Sensing, recreation, Russian, Central Eurasian, and East European specialty groups. These sessions helped to build an active network linking China studies with many other regions or fields in geography. There are several sessions focusing on comparative analysis, such as China and Africa, China and India, and China and the U.S. Thanks to Professors Guo Chen and Shenjing He, we had five sessions on "Right to the City". Similarly, Prof. Yehua Dennis Wei and his colleagues organized five sessions on "China and Globalization". Increasing environmental concerns in China and the concern about global environmental changes bring more papers, resulting in five sessions related to environmental issues (organized by Professors Yingkui Li, Chaolu Yi, and Qihao Weng). It is also worthy to note that we organized two sessions of "Author Meets Critics". These sessions may further stimulate reader's interest in works on China studies.

For the first time, we organized a plenary session featuring Professor David Lampton. Prof. Lampton is the Dean of Faculty at School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, and was the founding director of China Policy Program at Nixon Center and American Enterprise Institute. He was also the former president of the National Committee on United States-China Relations. Prof. Lampton's talk on "*Chinese Power: What It Means for America and the World*" was well attended and generated a great interest among the audience. This plenary was organized by China Geography SG, co-sponsored by EuroAsia Geography and Economics, Political Geography, Economic Geography, and Asian Geography SG. Special appreciation goes to Profs. Kam Wing Chan and Yu Zhou for their tremendous efforts to make it happen.

Thank you again to everyone for your help in bringing together an exciting and wide-ranging set of sessions for Washington, D.C.!

The CGSG membership is growing. As of September 21st, 2010, CGSG has 239 members, including 87 student members. Please note that AAG has created a membership program that allows geographers from developing regions to join the Association at a discounted rate. I encourage everyone to share this information with colleagues working in China and other eligible countries who may not have yet joined the AAG due to costs. Thanks to our new student representative, Ms. Hao Huang, CGSG now is on the Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=109444679101038>). This is a dynamic networking tool. Ms. Huang has recently posted a survey on professional/career development panel session(s) for the Seattle meeting. I encourage to every members, especially student members, to reply and comment on this initiative.

Next year's AAG meeting in Seattle will highlight Asia, so this should be a good time for the China Geography Specialty Group to be very active at the AAG. At the business meeting at Washington, DC, the CGSG members had discussed about the potential themes for next year. For a list of the themes discussed, please refer to the section [AAG Annual Meeting: Call For Papers, Sessions & Panels](#). I encourage everyone to send your ideas for papers, sessions, and panels to Prof. Piper Gaubatz (gaubatz@geo.umass.edu) as soon as possible. The AAG meetings and group dinners have always been a joyful opportunity to catch up with old friends and to meet new members. Bring a friend to join in both!

This Newsletter includes valuable information on call for papers, upcoming meetings, CGSG awards, and member news and recent publications. I hope that you will find it interesting.

Finally, on behalf of other members of the CGSG executive, I would like to wish everyone a pleasant and productive semester.

Qihao Weng

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2010 CGSG Outstanding Service Award: Professor Gregory Veeck

This award recognizes Professor Veeck's contributions to the group and advancement of the study of China's geography. The selection committee voted unanimously. Over the years, Gregory has been a frequent contributor to the China Geography Specialty Group. Some of us use his textbook. His service to CGSG, the Annals of the Association of American Geographers, and NSF have advanced our field in the geography discipline. In addition, his prolific research and outreach have contributed to enhance the field of China studies outside the discipline, and similarly produce important research on China that speaks to audiences working on related issues elsewhere in the world.

CGSG Outstanding Service Award: Call for Nomination

At its 2003 business meeting in New Orleans, CGSG decided to launch an Outstanding Service Award. This award is to be presented to individuals who provided significant services to the China Geography Specialty Group and/or made important contributions to the advancement of China geography studies. Since then, Professors Larry Ma, Clifton Pannell, Chor-Pang Lo, Jack Williams, Cindy Fan, Kam Wing Chan, and Gregory Veeck have received this award. At its 2007 business meeting in San Francisco, CGSG decided to change the Outstanding Service Award from an annual event into an ad hoc basis.

Nominations are now accepted for this award. Please send your nomination, along with a statement of contributions of the nominee(s) to:

Qihao Weng, Chair, CGSG (Email: qweng@indstate.edu) before February 1st, 2011.

China Geography Specialty Group Student Paper Award

AAG 2011 CGSG Annual Student Paper Awards:

The China Geography Specialty Group sponsors an annual award to recognize distinguished student research and paper presentation in a CGSG-sponsored session at the annual AAG conference.

Eligibility:

* Student members of the CGSG at all academic levels (undergraduates or graduate students) are qualified.

* The student must be the sole author and presenter of the paper.

* Participants must have submitted the abstract and appropriate program participation fee to the AAG for participation at the AAG Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington, April 12-16, 2011.

*Papers being considered by other AAG Specialty Group for student Paper Award are not qualified for this award.

Award:

A \$250 cash prize will be awarded for the best paper. This includes \$50 ticket for joining our annual CGSG dinner. Two Travel Awards of \$100 each will go to the First and Second Runner-up. A committee of faculty from the China Geography Specialty Group will evaluate the papers. Evaluation criteria for the award include the originality of the research, the soundness and creativity of the research design and methodology; the validity of conclusions; and quality of the presentation. The award will be announced at the Business Meeting of the China Geography Specialty Group in Seattle in April 2011, and published in the CGSG and AAG newsletters.

Guidelines for Submission:

To be considered for the competition, authors should e-mail a copy of the paper's title and abstract to the CGSG Chair by *February 1, 2011*. Please include author's name, academic level (undergraduate, master's or doctoral), academic institution, department or program, current address, phone number, and E-MAIL. An electronic version of the paper, in Word format, must reach the Chair no later than March 1, 2011.

Questions? Please contact CGSG Chair: Qihao Weng (qweng@indstate.edu)

AAG 2010 CGSG Student Paper Award:

Best Student Paper Award:

Anthony Howell, Department of Geography, UCLA, "The Emergence of Local Labor Markets in Xinjiang, China: Theoretical considerations and empirical evidence that examines Han-Uighur employment variation in Urumqi's private service sector"

Student Travel Awards:

Xiaochu Hu, School of Public Policy, George Mason University, "Occupations, Geographic Migration Patterns, and Age: a Case Study of Migrants from Bozhou, China"

Leqian Yu, Geography Department, University of Toronto, "Social Standards and Daily Practice of Microcredit Programs: a Case Study in Inner Mongolia, China"

MEMBER'S NEWS

Our long term member and outstanding service award winner, Professor **Jack Williams** recently retired from Michigan State University. However, he is keeping one foot in the field by teaching in Taiwan and HK in recent years. Jack serves as Visiting Professor at the University of Hong Kong this fall, teaching an undergraduate course on China, and a graduate seminar on History & Philosophy of Geography. He taught last fall at National Taiwan University, and enjoyed that very much. While he doesn't go to the AAG meetings on a regular basis anymore, there is a good chance he will attend the AAG in Seattle next spring as his wife and him recently relocated to Vancouver, WA. He is looking forward to meeting CGSG colleagues there.

Kam Wing Chan (U of Washington): He continued his lecture circuit from last winter into spring and summer. He gave a talk to hedge funds manager in Wall Street in April, spoke at a National Public Radio event in Seattle, and most recently, and delivered a keynote speech at an international forum on China's rural-urban integration in Haikou in August. He has also published several papers in journals such as International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, Population and Development Review, and The China Review, and four commentaries, including one in 《南方都市报》 in China. Please visit his website for details and many more online commentaries on current issues.

Cindy Fan (UCLA) has concluded a second month-long UCLA summer program in Beijing and Shanghai. In Beijing she and her 15 students visited many sites, including a migrant children school. In Shanghai they enjoyed the Expo, despite the heat. Cindy also started the first-ever year-long UCLA program (Social Science Education in Asia) in a Chinese high school: In 2010-2011, 50 or so students in Nanjing's Jinling High School (alma mater of Nobel laureate in Literature, Gao Xinjian) will be taking UCLA General Education courses in their own classroom. Cindy has forthcoming papers in the Professional Geographer, Eurasian Geography and Economics, and a Chinese book on demography. She has given invited talks at the Shanghai Forum, Peking University, National Taiwan University, and University of Bristol. And she has been interviewed by or written commentaries for China Radio International, Los Angeles Daily News, AOL News, Mirror Evening (Beijing), public Danish radio, and the New York Times.

Stockholm University has appointed **Philippe Forêt** professor with an affiliation to the Department of Asian Languages. Proposals on the history of climate research in Chinese Central Asia have been submitted to the Swedish and Swiss National Science Foundations, and to the European Union's Marie Curie Actions. Last spring, Philippe read papers at the International Geographical Union meeting of Sion (Switzerland), at the European Dialogues of Evian (France), and at the Swiss Historians' Conference of Basel (Switzerland). He was a guest of the Looren

Foundation (Zurich) in July and August. This fall, he will teach a class on the Chinese landscape at the University of Zurich.

Yehua Dennis Wei (University of Utah) co-organized an International Open Workshop on Transnational Corporations, Knowledge and Networks in China's Regional Economy, Justus Liebig University, Giessen, Germany, June 21-23. He also gave a presentation on Embedding Transnational Corporations: Making Cities Resilient, at the Shanghai Forum, May 28-30, and a lecture on contemporary China at the Gateway to Learning: Summer Educator Workshops, the Tanner Humanities Center, University of Utah, June 7-11.

Tim Oakes published a co-edited volume in 2010, with Donald Sutton, titled *Faiths on Display: Religion, Tourism, and the State in China* (Rowman & Littlefield). He's enjoying a sabbatical after completing his three years of service as Department Chair, and will be starting a new research project in China this fall.

Yifei Sun has just been promoted to full professor at California State University, Nothridge (CSUN). He went to Giessen, Germany and attended the workshop "Transnational Corporations, Knowledge and Networks in China's Regional Economy" Organized by Dr. Ingo Liefner, Dr. Yehua Denis Wei and Dr. Matthias Hoher in the summer. He also traveled to China and continued field work on his NSF-sponsored project on Technology Upgrading in China's ICT Industry. Should you are interested in any of the papers, please visit his Social Science Research Network site

Jennifer Pomeroy and **George Pomeroy**, both of Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, directed a third summer field studies course to China during June and July 2010. The bulk of the twenty day program consisted of time in Shanghai, Hangzhou, and Beijing. In Shanghai, students studied urban geography, urban development and planning, as well as more general aspects of Chinese culture, history, and geography. Highlights in Shanghai included a visit to the Urban Planning Exposition Hall and witnessing the dynamic development of places such as the Pudong Development District, Expo 2010, the Xujiahui sub-CBD, and even unique housing developments such as "Thames Town," an upscale housing development modeled after an English town. Each of the instructors is willing to share practicalities and lessons learned. In addition, they are willing listen and learn from the experiences of others. For more information contact Jennifer via e-mail (jpomeroy@umd.edu). The directors thank East China Normal University (ECNU) Foreign Exchange Office for its cooperation in making the trip a success.

Haifeng Qian, the immediate past Student Representative of CGSG, graduated from George Mason University in summer 2010 and was appointed as Assistant Professor at the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs, Cleveland State University. He will do research and teaching in areas of regional (urban) economic development, entrepreneurship and innovation, and public policy. His recent work "Talent, Creativity and Regional Economic Performance: The Case of China" has been published in *The Annals of Regional Science*.

Peilei Fan at Michigan State University is a Lead Principal Investigator (Co-investigators: Joseph Messina, Nathan Moore, Jianjun Ge, and Peter Verburg), 2009-2012 to conduct a project on "China's Urbanization and its Sustainability under Future Climate Change. The

project is funded by National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) with a total budget of \$621,496. For more information on the project please visit <http://www.msu.edu/~fanpeile>

Qihao Weng (Indiana State University) was invited to give a talk on a special session of urban remote sensing at annual conference of American Association of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, San Diego, California, April 26-30, and During July 25-30, he was invited to give another talk on remote sensing of human settlements at IEEE IAGRSS, Honolulu, Hawaii. In late August, he attended NASA's HysPIRI Science Workshop, where he was invited to talk about future needs in urban remote sensing. Weng was a review panel for U.S. DOE's cool roofs and urban heat islands strategy and technology roadmap.

Xinyue YE (Bowling Green State University) started to hold a joint tenure-track assistant professor position between Center for Regional Development (Department of Commerce EDA University Center) and School of Earth, Environment, and Society, Bowling Green State University starting from August 2009. In summer 2010, he released some methods supported by his NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Award (DDRI) through PySAL (A library for exploratory spatial data analysis and geocomputation in Python). As a co-PI of Department of Commerce's three-year funding on identifying communities at risk, he recruited four research assistants (computer science, environmental science, and statistics) for open source data-intensive geocomputation and visualization of economic and social network data.

RECENT OR FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS BY CGSG MEMBERS

(This is by no means a complete list. If you would like your publications to be included in the next newsletter, please send the information to Wei Xu at wei.xu@uleth.ca).

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Chan, Kam Wing, 2010. The Global Financial Crisis and Migrant Workers in China: There is No Future as a Labourer; Returning to the Village has No Meaning, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 34(3), pp.659-77.

陈金永, 2010. 当前中国的城镇人口统计问题及其对经济分析的影响, 蔡昉主编《中国人口与劳动问题报告 No.11——后金融危机时期的劳动力市场挑战》, 页 236-247。

Chan, Kam Wing, 2010. The Chinese Household Registration System and Migrant Labor in China: Notes on a Debate, *Population and Development Review*, 36(2), pp.357-364.

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Wei, Y.H.D., J. Luo, and Q. Zhou. Location Decisions and Network Configurations of Foreign Investment in Urban China. *Professional Geographer* 62(2): 264-283, 2010;

Wei, Y.H.D. and C.L. Gu. A Study of Industrial Development and Spatial Structure in Changzhou City, China: The Restructuring of the Sunan Model. *Urban Geography* 31(3): 321-347, 2010;

Wei, Y.H.D. Beyond New Regionalism, Beyond Global Production Networks: Remaking the Sunan Model, China. *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy* 28: 72-96, 2010.

Sun, Yifei. 2010. "Foreign Research and Development in China: a Sectoral Approach." *International Journal of Technology Management* 51 (2/3/4): 342-363

Sun, Yifei. 2010. "Location of Foreign Research and Development in China." *GeoJournal*. DOI: 10.1007/s10708-009-9318-1

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Yu Zhou, Yifei Sun, Y. H. Dennis Wei and George C.S. Lin. 2010. "De-centering 'spatial fix'- patterns of territorialization and regional technological dynamism of ICT hubs in China." *Journal of Economic Geography*, doi:10.1093/jeg/lbp065

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Huang, Youqin and Chengdong Yi, 2011. Second Home Ownership in Transitional Urban China, *Housing Studies*, 26(3).

Huang, Youqin and Chengdong Yi, 2010. Consumption and Tenure Choice of Multiple Homes in Transitional Urban China. *International Journal of Housing Policy*, 10(2): 105-131.

Yi, Chengdong and Youqin Huang, 2010. An Empirical Analysis of the Spatial Pattern of Multiple Homes in Chinese Cities, *Economic Geography*, No. 4: 1-11. (易成栋, 黄友琴, 2010, 中国城市自有多套住宅家庭空间模式实证研究, *经济地理*, 第 4 起, 1-11 页)

Fan, Peilei. From a late comer to a global telecom giant: the development path of Huawei. *International Journal of Business System Research* 4(5/6):691-719.

Fan, Peilei. 2010. Innovation-oriented strategies and China's domestic mobile phone companies. *International Journal of Technology and Management* 51(2/3/4): 168-193.

Yue, Wenze, Liu, Yong, and Fan, Peilei. 2010. Polycentric urban development: the case of Hangzhou. *Environment and Planning A* 42(3) 563 – 577.

Fan, Peilei and Jianguo Qi. 2010. Assessing the sustainability of major cities in China. *Sustainability Science Journal* 5(1): 51-68.

Fan, Peilei. 2010. Catching up through staged development and innovation: the case of Chinese telecom companies. *Journal of Science and Technology Policy of China* 1 (1): 64 -91.

Li, Mingfang, Gao, Xudong, and Fan, Peilei. 2010. Chinese Strategic Management: A Systems Perspective on the Practical Aspects and Theoretical Reflections. *International Journal of Business System Research* 4(5/6).

PUBLICATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

The UNDP Evaluation Office is pleased to announce the publication of the report 'Assessment of Development Results: China'. The report presents the findings and conclusions of an independent country-level evaluation of UNDP's work in China between 2006 and 2010. UNDP was the first United Nations organization to establish a presence in China in 1979. During the past three decades, UNDP cooperation in the country has ranged over multiple geographical and topical areas, such as poverty reduction, governance, environment, renewable energy and energy efficiency. The evaluation was conducted by the Evaluation Office together with the Chinese National Center for Science and Technology Evaluation. It was co-led by Professors Chen Zhaoying and A.K. Shiva Kumar, and managed by CGSG member Juha Uitto. The report is available free online (<http://www.undp.org/evaluation/adr/china.html>) or in hard copy from Juha (juha.uitto@undp.org).

Professor Jianfa Shen would like to inform you that the SSCI-indexed China Review Journal just published a Special Issue "Urbanization in China: Processes and Policies" (Volume 10, Number 1, Spring 2010), visit web page for details:

http://www.chineseupress.com/asp/e_Book_card.asp?BookID=2803&Lang=e

You are welcome to submit your research papers to this journal.

Yifei Sun and Rongping MU co-edited the special issue on China's New Innovation-Oriented Strategy that has just been published. in International Journal of Technology Management 51 (2/3/4): 159-167.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Conference: International Conference on China Urban Development

Hong Kong, 7-8 December 2010

Jointly organized by Centre of Urban Studies and Urban Planning

The University of Hong Kong and

Centre for China Urban and Regional Studies

Hong Kong Baptist University

Supported by

China Association of City Planning (CACP)

The Geographical Society of China (GSC)

Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP)

Hong Kong Geographical Association (HKGA)

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please visit our website at:

www.hku.hk/china2010

for the following information:

Accommodation and travel information
Conference venue
International Programme Committee
Sponsors and supporting organizations
Notes for preparing full papers
Notes to speakers
Registration form

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LANGUAGE

All presentations and printed materials shall be in English.

PROCEEDINGS

Papers presented at the Conference will appear in the Conference Proceedings in CD form.
Selected papers may be published as special issues in international journals.

TECHNICAL TOUR

A post-conference technical tour to Mainland
China will be organized

Conference: Tourism People, Places and Environments: An International Conference
Zhangjiajie (Hunan Province), China - 13-15 July 2011

Major Conference Themes:

- (1) Tourism People: Entrepreneurship and tourism, Behavior and culture in tourism settings, Cross-cultural communication and relations through tourism
 - (2) Tourism Places: Sense of place in tourist destinations, Tourism planning and development models and experiences, Globalization and localization in tourism landscapes
 - (3) Tourism Environments: Natural environments as tourist destinations, Designating and managing geoparks, national parks and nature preserves, (3) Tourism's environmental impacts: from the local to the global,
- International Academic Publishing: A special theme for post-graduate students and new academics.

Organized by: Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, China, and Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, USA

Additional information is available at <http://www.geog.nau.edu/igust/China2011/>

More information: Prof. Alan A. Lew - alan.lew@nau.edu

CALLS FOR PAPERS:

EDUCATION ABOUT ASIA: SEEKING GEOGRAPHY AUTHORS FOR SPECIAL ISSUE

Geographers specializing in Asia are invited to submit a brief proposal for an article to be included in the Spring 2011 thematic issue 'Teaching the Geographies of Asia' in *EDUCATION ABOUT ASIA (EAA)*. Published by the Association for Asian Studies, *EDUCATION ABOUT ASIA* is a unique and innovative magazine—a practical teaching resource for secondary school, college, and university instructors, as well as an invaluable source of information for students, scholars, libraries, and those who have an interest in Asia. If you are not familiar with the magazine, visit its website at <http://www.asian-studies.org/EAA/index.htm> where you will also find sample downloadable articles written by prominent scholars in many disciplines. Be sure to look at the Archive of past as well as forthcoming thematic issues.

Ron Knapp of SUNY New Paltz will serve as consulting scholar for the Geography issue. Knapp was guest editor for a similar issue published in Spring 1998, which included articles by well-known Asia Geographers Roman Cybriwsky, Chris Drake, David Nemeth, Kit Salter, and Nanda Shrestha. To see this issue, visit <http://www.aasianst.org/EAA/EAA-3-1.htm> Subsequent *EAA* issues also included Asia-related articles by Geographers Stephen F. Cunha, Robert McColl, Allen Noble, and Barney Warf.

For the 'Teaching the Geographies of Asia' thematic issue, authors are invited to address any aspect of the physical and human geography of any country or region in Asia. Manuscripts suitable for use in survey level geography classes are welcome as are manuscripts that integrate geographic content about Asia into history survey courses and other social science disciplines. The editors will attempt to strike a balance of subject matter and area coverage in this issue.

Although longer manuscripts may be considered, in general, feature article manuscripts are normally between 2,500 and 3,500 words (ten to fourteen double-spaced manuscript pages) while resources essays are usually between 750 and 1,800 words (three to seven manuscript pages). Style guidelines and information concerning illustrations are found on the website. Queries are welcome, and we hope to finalize the list of articles to be included in early June/July of this year. December 20, 2010 is the deadline for manuscript submission for the Spring 2011 publication.

Authors interested in preparing either a feature or resources article are advised to send, via email, a 100-200 word prospectus to Lucien Ellington, Editor, *EDUCATION ABOUT ASIA* l-ellington@comcast.edu by July 1, 2010.

A Book on Comparative Geography of China and the U.S. by Springer

Contributors to a new book "A Comparative Geography of China and the U.S." sought. To be published by Springer Press, the book has 17 chapters. We still need contributors to chapters including the physical geography/natural hazards chapter and the agriculture & food production chapter. Colleagues with interest in collaborating on the book project are invited to send an e-mail to rudi.hartmann@ucdenver.edu .

Special Issue of GeoJournal: Comparing China and the U.S.: Geographic Perspectives in an Era of Changes

Call for Papers

Dr. Rudi Hartmann, University of Colorado Denver and Dr. Qihao Weng, Indiana State University (Guest Editors of Special Issue of GeoJournal)

We are looking for contributions which focus on a comparative spatial and ecological perspective of urban and economic development trends in China and the U.S. Papers examining the implications of globalization and global environmental change on urbanization and economic development will also be welcome.

Full length manuscripts will be peer reviewed in accordance with the journal's established policies and procedures. Authors are asked to inform Dr. Rudi Hartmann (rudi.hartmann@ucdenver.edu) of their intent to submit an abstract by October 15, 2010. The deadline for submission of full papers is May 1, 2011. We expect that the special issue would be published by late 2011 or early 2012.

NEW CGSG Website Address

Dr. Xinyue Ye at Bowling Green State University took over the job as our group website webmaster. The CGSG now has a new website at <http://personal.bgsu.edu/~xye/cgsg.htm>. The old web site, maintained by Wei Xu, will not be updated.

AAG Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA., 12-16 APRIL, 2011: Call For Papers, Sessions & Panels

China Geography Specialty Group, AAG

CALL FOR PAPERS, SESSIONS & PANELS

ANNUAL MEETING, SEATTLE, WA., 12-16 APRIL, 2011

China Geographers,

This year's AAG Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington, has Asia as a primary theme. This is a great year to present the wide range of China geography to the AAG community.

This year, AAG's deadline is October 20, 2010. However, if you would like to submit to a session organized by the CGSG, please submit your materials by October 6, 2010 so that we have time to form the sessions. You can register on-line at http://www.aag.org/cs/annualmeeting/register_to_attend. As always, CGSG encourages everyone to start discussing organizing sessions that are either sponsored or co-sponsored by CGSG. The organized sessions usually attract a more targeted audience. In addition, we have been quite successful in the past in arranging our sessions in order to maximize the attendance.

At the end of this Call for Papers, you'll find a list of session topics suggested by members at the 2010 Annual Meeting and through more recent e-mails.

If you are not joining or organizing a session, or if you are interested in joining a session on the topics listed at the end of this Call for Papers, please contact the CGSG (gaubatz@geo.umass.edu) and we will work to place your paper in an appropriate session.

Developing Regions Membership Program: We would also like to encourage the CGSG members to invite non-China specialists and non-CGSG members to join our sessions. If you are inviting scholars to participate who come from the PRC or other countries included in the AAG's "Developing Regions Membership Program", please let them know that they may be eligible for discounts on their AAG membership. Details on this program are available at: http://www.aag.org/cs/membership/developing_regions_membership_program

Presentation/Participation Options: The AAG consists of 4 different types of presentation sessions as well as panel discussion sessions. These are as follows:

1. Paper presentations (20 minutes each; up to 5 presentations per session)
2. Illustrated papers (3-5 minute summary presentation of a poster)
3. Interactive short paper (5 minute powerpoint presentations in sessions of 10-14 presentations, followed by interactive roundtable discussion).
4. Posters (30-40 per session).
5. Panel Discussions (4-6 participants; 100 minutes). Informal, interactive discussions of specific topics.

Procedure for registration of papers or sessions:

There is a 3-step process for having your paper or session included in a CGSG sponsored session

1. Register for the Annual Meeting (pay fees)
2. Submit an abstract to the AAG and provide your PIN (program identifier number) to the session organizer.
3. Session organizers should then co-ordinate with the China Specialty Group (gaubatz@geo.umass.edu) to have the sessions organized together with other CGSG sessions.

Limits on participation: The current AAG rules allow each participant to present one paper and participate in one panel discussion.

Please send your ideas for papers, sessions, and panels to Piper Gaubatz, gaubatz@geo.umass.edu.

Session Topics: The following list includes paper sessions/topics suggested at the 2010 CGSG business meeting and additional sessions/topics contributed by members.

1. Transportation – (cosponsor with transportation specialty group) – eg –
 - A. urban rail, high speed rail, connections with Boeing, etc)
 - B. Urban transportation
 - C. ports and trade
2. China in transition: globalizing cities, emerging regions and marginalized populations (organized by Yifei Sun) Contact: yifei.sun@csun.edu
3. Joint China-Russia session.
4. China in Asia, or Asia in the World – emphasizing linkages with broader regional contexts.
5. China and International Financial Systems
6. China and Energy Issues
7. Urbanization, Global Environmental change, and Sustainability (organized by Qihao Weng) Contact: Qihao.Weng@indstate.edu
8. Tourism Development in China/Asia (paper session organized by Rudi Hartman, Alan Lew and Li Yang) Contact: rudi.hartmann@ucdenver.edu
9. Tourism in China: Impacts, Issues and Problems of a Domestic Travel Boom (panel session organized by Rudi Hartman, Alan Lew and Li Yang). Contact: rudi.hartmann@ucdenver.edu
10. Environmental Issues in China
11. Rural China
12. China's Borderlands

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CHINA GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP WEBSITE & TIMELINE

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THE CHINA GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP TIMELINE

The Timeline was prepared in response to a request from the AAG Central Office. The purpose is to present a record of the activities that CGSG initiated and the contributions that members have made in promoting the study of China geography since the group's inception. We thank those of our members who have provided us with valuable information for the Timeline. There are still many gaps in the record, and so we hope members will continue to send us information from the past, as well as keep us updated on recent achievements and contributions. For publications, please send information only for books, monographs and special issues of journals, but not articles (as there would be too many of them to include). A copy of the latest version of the Timeline can be accessed through the CGSG webpage.

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