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## CHAIR'S LETTER

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Dear Members:

Let me start with my best wishes to all of you for a productive, prosperous, and healthy Chinese new year!

As some of you may have inquired into the preliminary program of AAG meeting at Seattle, CGSG has set a new record by sponsoring or co-sponsoring 37 sessions. In the Washington, D.C. meeting, we had 35 sessions. Among the co-sponsored speciality groups include Population, Urban, Ethnic Geography, Asia, Economic, Geomorphology, Remote Sensing, Recreation, Paleoenvironmental Change, Mountain Geography, Indigenous Peoples, and Development Geographies SGs. It is delighted to see the specialty groups oriented towards physical, environment, culture, and techniques joining us for co-sponsorship. These sessions allow us to build a wider network with colleagues from diverse sub-fields in geography. My special appreciation goes to Prof. Piper Gaubatz, who spent tremendous time and effort to develop this year's theme sessions. Other CGSG colleagues have also helped organizing the Seattle sessions, including Profs. Yehua Dennis Wei, Kam Wing Chan, Carolyn Cartier, George Lin, Cindy Fan, Yifei Sun, Stanley Toops, Yingkui Li, Rudi Hartmann, Michael Waibel, and Qihao Weng. Thank you for everyone's contribution in making it possible for such a wide-ranging set of sessions.

Please refer to the section below for a detailed list of the sessions, meeting times, and rooms.

For the first time, we organize two professional/career development panel sessions for students. In the first session, we invite experienced journal editors and prolific authors to discuss issues on how to prepare manuscripts for publishing in peer-refereed journals and how to conduct a scientific research. The second panel session focuses on preparedness, skills, and experiences in academic job search. New tenure track assistant professors will share their experiences and skills in academic job hunting, while department administrators will talk about how to prepare for academic jobs and how to enhance one's professional profile. I appreciate each panellist's wiliness for participation. Our student representative, Ms. Hao Huang, has placed the pertinent information on the CGSG Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=109444679101038>). I encourage all student members to attend both sessions, if time is permitted.

The CGSG membership is, indeed, growing. As of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011, CGSG has a total of 287 members, 116 student members and 171 non-student members. When this statistics is compared with that of September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 (when I reported last time), the total growth of membership is around 20% percent, but student members increases even more, about 33%. I hope that this growth will continues in the future, as the economy moves out of the recession and the visibility of CGSG increases. Please be reminded that AAG has now 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.

Our business meeting will be held at **noon** (from 11:50 AM - 12:30 PM) **on April 14 (Thursday)** in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor. It will be followed by a self-financed dinner, our long established tradition (restaurant and time to be announced). The business meetings and group dinners have always been a joyful opportunity to catch up with old friends and to meet new ones. Bring a friend to join in both!

It looks like we are going to have another exciting assembly and lots of fun at the upcoming annual meeting. Although there are still two months away, I have booked hotel and air flight for the warm and moist Seattle. Look forward to seeing you all on April 12-16!

Qihao Weng

## **2010-2011 Officers**

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## **AAG 2011 CGSG Student Paper competition: Call for Submission**

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### **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.

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.

If you have any questions, please contact CGSG Chair: Qihao Weng (qweng@indstate.edu)

## MEMBER'S NEWS

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**Dr. Li An** at San Diego State University will organize a symposium entitled "Mapping and disentangling human decisions in complex human-nature systems" at the 2011 AAAS Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, on February 18, 2011 (8:30 AM-11:30 AM; 140B, Washington Convention Center). This symposium, incorporating case studies in three National Reserves/Parks (China and Nepal), centers on generalizing characteristics, driving forces, and related methodologies for understanding human decision making and its consequences. Sponsors of this symposium include Dr. Jianguo Liu (discussant; Michigan State University), Dr. David Lopez-Carr (moderator & speaker; UCSB), Dr. Stuart Aitken (co-organizer & speaker; SDSU), Dr. Janet Silbernagel (co-organizer; UW-Madison), Dr. Xiaodong Chen (speaker; Harvard), Sarah Wandersee (speaker; SDSU), and Alex Zvoleff (speaker; SDSU). At the same time, Dr. Li An is guest-editing a special issue in the journal *Ecological Modelling* under the same title, which includes papers presented in the above AAAS symposium and papers assembled through an open call (submission deadline Feb 20, 2011). Visit Dr. An's website for more detail: <http://complexity.sdsu.edu/>.

**Kam Wing Chan** (U of Washington): This fall he was quite heavily involved in "public scholarship." Examples of his work include giving talks in DC in December to the USA officials in the Commerce and Treasury Departments. He also appears in a documentary film, *Man Zou: Beijing to Shanghai*, and discusses China's rural-urban divide. The movie was premiered on Seattle public TV in early December. China's major finance and economics site, 财新网, and The Seattle Times also recently published his op-eds.

**Roger C K Chan** is appointed as Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong.

**Li, Ruopu** (University of Nebraska-Lincoln) is working as a PhD candidate on the impacts of climate and land use changes on groundwater pollution risks through spatial modeling with GIS. His study will reveal the potential side effects of climate change as well as biofuel crops expansion on the groundwater quality in the Northern Great Plains. The results are expected to provide references to identify emerging vulnerable groundwater resource and review current U.S. biofuel policies. He is also actively involved in studies on wetland conservation management, water resources management and abandoned mine site rehabilitation using GIS and remote sensing in both United States and China. He recently received a travel grant for AAG GIS Specialty Group Student Paper Competition. He is going to make a presentation titled *GIS-based Modeling of Groundwater Vulnerability in the Context of Future Climate Change and Biofuel-related Land Use Change* for the final award in the upcoming AAG Seattle conference.

**Zhilin Liu**, was promoted to associate professor in School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University, Beijing 100084, China.

**Darrin Magee** received a \$400,000 grant from the Henry Luce Foundation to support enhancing Asian Environmental Studies at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. The grant allows for a new AES post-doc position at HWS, new study abroad opportunities in Asia for students, and workshops and conferences to further AES work among liberal arts schools. He presented a paper "Environment, Development, and the Challenges of Sustainability in China," at SKEMA France-China Educational Exchange (Suzhou, China), January 14, 2011.

**Norman Moline** (Augustana College) again directed the China segments (five weeks in the PRC and two weeks in Taiwan) of the college's large fall term East Asia International Program. That triennial program (plus an occasional additional one) was started by Norm and three colleagues in 1974, was admitted into the PRC in 1977 and now was in its 14th edition. It involves 80 students and now has taken over 1,100 students in a full term of study in East Asia. It has been recognized by ASIANetwork and the Freeman Foundation as a good model for overseas study for liberal arts colleges. The philosophy, style and organizational details of that program were described in the special 2009 international studies issue of The Journal of Geography. This year the program received special recognition from the officials in the Yan'an/northern Shaanxi area for its twenty-one year inclusion of that area, usually not included in international study itineraries.

**Yu (Aloe) Luo Rioux** enjoys teaching "A History of Modern Asia" at Nashua Community College (apart from being Principal of the Derry Chinese School and interpreter for the Language Bank). She taught Intro to Geography and Human Geography during the previous year. Human Geography is a new course offered by the Social Sciences Department which she helped design, and it is deemed "equivalent" (vs. transferable or nontransferable) by the University of New Hampshire. Dr. Rioux has also been active in the academic community, having presented at the Engineering School at Dartmouth on SARS and Crisis Management in China (Oct. 2010) and in Manchester Community College on Health Care in China and for Chinese Immigrants in the United States (Nov. 2010). She had a busy summer presenting on the study of red cultural legacy at Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics and two schools at Yangtze University. In July 2010, Dr. Rioux presented on Chinese culture (images and symbols of Chinese poetry; the relationship between Chinese music and poetry) at UMass-Boston's StarTalk language program. Between mid-July and mid-August, she was instrumental in Rivier College's summer enrichment program (for Chinese scholars) that she initiated, presenting on Sino-U.S./Western cultural differences and Diversity and Immigration in the U.S.

**Xinyue YE** (Bowling Green State University) was appointed to be North America Executive Editor of Journal of Earth Science & Climatic Change. At the same time, he started to hold the position of Deputy General Secretary for The International Association of Chinese Professionals in Geographic Information Science (CPGIS), and Proceedings Publication Chair of International Conference of Geoinformatics 2011, which is technically sponsored by IEEE. His current research is funded by Department of Commerce, Department of Energy, China Natural Science Foundation, and Ohio

Department of Development. He has two recent publications on space time analysis of crime patterns on *Applied Geography* and *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency* (the top three journal in Criminology and Criminal Justice discipline). He also co-edits a special issue with Yehua Dennis Wei on the journal of *Regional Science Policy and Practice*, the official policy and practitioner orientated journal of the Regional Science Association International.

**Yu Zhou** was invited to be a scholar-escort of a US Congressional District Staff Delegation to China between Dec. 10-18, 2010. Together with 12 district senior staff, six republicans and six democrats, they visited Beijing, Nanjing, Wuxi, Kunming and Chengdu. She has also been invited to talk about her work at Stamford, CN World Affair Concile and at University of MA, at Lowell. Yu Zhou's co-authored paper on her collaborative NSF project on China's ICT industry with Yifei Sun, Yehua Wei and George Lin, is finally out in print in *Journal of Economic Geography*. More papers by other authors are in the pipeline.

### **RECENT OR FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS BY CGSG MEMBERS**

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**Ahmed, Waquar**, Richard Peet, and Amitabh Kundu, eds. 2010. *India's New Economic Policy: A Critical Analysis*. New York and London: Routledge.

**Ahmed, W.** 2010. Neo-liberalism, Corporations and Power: Enron in India. *Annals of the Association of American Geographers* **100 (3)**: 621-639.

**Ahmed, W.** 2009. From Mixed Economy to Neoliberalism: Class and Caste in India's Economic Transition. *Human Geography* 2 (3): 37-51.

**Baynard, Chris W** "The landscape infrastructure footprint of oil development: Venezuela's heavy oil belt" *Ecological Indicators*. 2011. Vol: 11.

陈金永, 2010. "中国人口发展、农民工流动趋势与刘易斯转折点," 《中国劳动经济》第6卷第一期, 第1至24页 (Chan, Kam Wing (2010) Population development and migration trend of rural labourers in China and Lewis' turning point, *China Labor Economics*, 6(1):1-24. )

陈金永, 2011. "中国户籍制度和农民工," 《神州交流》, 第8卷第一期 (付印中) (Chan, Kam Wing (in press) China's Hukou System and Migrant labourers, *Shenzhou Exchange*, 8(1))

Beyers, William, J.W. Harrington, Charles Kauffman, Nick Veluzzi, Richard Morrill, Kam Wing Chan, and Spencer Cohen, 2011. "Economic Geographies," Michael Brown (ed.) Seattle: *Geographies of Here and Beyond*, University of Washington Press (in press).

**Lin, G.C.S.** (2011) "Urban China in transformation: Hybrid economy, juxtaposed space, and new testing ground for geographical enquiries." *The Chinese Geographical Science*, 21 (1): 1-16. Beijing: Science Press & Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg;

**Lin, G.C.S.** and Yi, Francine (2011) "Urbanization of Capital or Capitalization on Urban Land? Land Development and Municipal Finance in Urbanizing China." *Urban Geography*, 32 (1): 50-79;

**Lin, G. C.S.** (2010) "Understanding land development problems in globalizing China." *Eurasian Geography and Economics*, 51 (1): 80-103;

Wang, Cassandra C., **Lin, G. C.S.**, and Li, G. (2010) "Industrial clustering and technological innovation in China: new evidence from the ICT industry in Shenzhen." *Environment and Planning A*, 42 (9): 1987-2010;

Hu, F.Z.Y. and **Lin, G. C.S.** (2010) "Same bed, different dreams: A comparative analysis of the growth and performance of SOEs in Northeast and South China." *Issues & Studies*, 46 (2): 33-86.

**Magee, D.** "Moving the River: China's South-North Water Transfer Project", in S. D. Brunn (ed.), *Engineering Earth: The Impacts of Megaengineering Projects* (Springer, forthcoming).

**Magee, D.** "China's Water Blues," Seattle Times 5 May 2010: A8.

Tullos, Desiree, Philip. H. Brown, Yan Feng, Kelly Kibler, **Darrin Magee**, Bryan Tilt, Aaron Wolf. (2010). Salience and magnitude of dam impacts in small and large hydrodevelopment scenarios in China. *Water Alternatives* 3(2), pp. 71-90.

**Rioux, Yu (Aloe) Luo** (2010) "Pilgrim or Tourist? Transformation of China's Revolutionary Holy Land" in *Faiths on Display: Religion, Tourism, and the Chinese State*, Tim Oakes and Donald S. Sutton, eds. Rowman & Littlefield

Li, Y.R. and **Y.H.D. Wei**. A Spatial-Temporal Analysis of Health Care and Mortality Inequalities in Transitional China. *Eurasian Geography and Economics* 51(6): 767-787.

**Wei, Y.H.D.**, J. Li and Y.M. Ning. Corporate Networks, Value Chains, and Spatial Organization: A Study of the Computer Industry in China. *Urban Geography* 31(8): 1118-1140.

Li, Y.R. and **Y.H.D. Wei**. The Spatial-Temporal Hierarchy of Regional Inequality of China. *Applied Geography* 30: 303-316.

**Zhou, Yu**, and Jinnyuh Hsu (in press) "Divergent engagements: Comparing the roles and strategies of Taiwan and mainland Chinese returnee entrepreneurs in the IT industry." *Global network*.

**Yu Zhou**, Yifei Sun, Y. H. Dennis Wei, 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* 2011; No11(1): 119-150.

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## **PUBLICATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**George Lin** (University of Hong Kong) is pleased to report that his book *Developing China: Land, Politics, and Social Conditions* (London: Routledge, 2009) has been reprinted into a paperback version with a much lower price (ISBN: 978-0-415-66613-8).

**Gregory Veeck** reports that the second edition of the text "China's Geography: Globalization and the Denamics of Political, Economic, and Social Change" by CGSG members Greg Veeck, Clifton Pannell, Chris Smith and Youqin Huang has been sent to Rowman and Littlefield for publication. We hope to have the galley available for review at the AAG meeting, and the book will be available for Fall 2011 adoption. This greatly revised and updated edition pays greater attention to trade, transport, and regional development. All appropriate graphics have been updated and revised. A new feature will be a web-site hosted by Rowman and Littlefield that will provide color versions of all maps, tables and graphs that can be downloaded by adopters. The revised graphics for the text and website are being completed by Thomas Hodler, cartographic editor for both the Annals and the PG.

### **China Documentary online through 1/2/12**

Some of you may be interested in this documentary (reported in CGSG newsletter early this year): *Man Zou: Beijing to Shanghai* (88-minute), currently available for viewing online (till Jan 2). The movie chronicles the journey of four young Americans (including a geographer) from Seattle who, immediately following the Beijing Olympics, traveled by bicycle 1000 miles to learn more about the Chinese people, their culture and the rapidly changing environment in which they live. The film also intersperses the experiences of the team with the opinions of residents, expats, and experts. It is a fun and educational movie, suitable for use in introductory China/Asia courses. See more information at <http://2rfilm.com/manzou/>. The film was premiered on Seattle public TV in early December. It is now available online for viewing till January 2, 2012 at <http://video.kcts9.org/video/1678516520/>. The DVD is also available for purchase online from KCTS site.

## **2011 AAG Annual Meeting, Seattle,: CGSG Sponsored Sessions**

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### **Tuesday, 4/12/11**

#### **1464 Environmental Change and Human Adaptation on the Tibetan Plateau - I: Paleo Glaciations**

is scheduled on Tuesday, 4/12/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Fremont - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

#### **1564 Environmental Change and Human Adaptation on the Tibetan Plateau - II: Environmental Change and Landform Evolution**

is scheduled on Tuesday, 4/12/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Fremont - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

#### **1664 Author Meets Critics: David Ley's Millionaire Migrants**

is scheduled on Tuesday, 4/12/11, from 4:40 PM - 6:20 PM in Fremont - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**1465 China: Industrial Geography I: Industrial Restructuring**

is scheduled on Tuesday, 4/12/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**1565 China: Industrial Geography II: Evolving Spatial Patterns**

is scheduled on Tuesday, 4/12/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**1665 Tourism Development in China, Asia and the Pacific Rim: Economic, Social and Environmental Impacts**

is scheduled on Tuesday, 4/12/11, from 4:40 PM - 6:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**Wednesday, 4/13/11****2166 Urbanization, Environmental Change, and Sustainability (I)**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Issaquah A - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2266 Urbanization, Environmental Change, and Sustainability (II)**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Issaquah A - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2165 Beijing and Beyond: Mega-events in Chinese Urban Transformation**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2265 Culture, Nature, and Cities in China's Northwest**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2465 China in Transition I: Globalization, Cities, and Regional Development**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2565 China in Transition II: Globalization, Cities and Regional Development**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2665 China in Transition III: Globalization, Cities and Regional Development**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 4:40 PM - 6:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**2484 Author-Meets-Critics: The Great Urban Transformation: Politics of Land and Property in China**

is scheduled on Wednesday, 4/13/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Madrona Room - Sheraton Hotel, Second Floor

**Thursday, 4/14/11****3165 Career development I: How to publish articles in peer-refereed journals?**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**3265 Career Development II: How to find an academic job?**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**3172 Geography of China at the University of Washington**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor

**3272 New-generation Migrants and the Family in China**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor

**3372 China Specialty Group Business Meeting**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 11:50 AM - 12:30 PM in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor

**3465 China: Analyzing Urban Change with GIS & Remote Sensing**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**3565 China and International Financial Systems**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**3565 China and International Financial Systems**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**3665 China's Borderlands**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 4:40 PM - 6:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**3472 Urban Development and Political Economy in China: Post-Transition Theory and Beyond**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor

**3572 Technology innovation and upgrading in emerging economies**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor

**3672 Moving mountains in Zomia: Ethnicity and livelihoods in highland China and Vietnam**

is scheduled on Thursday, 4/14/11, from 4:40 PM - 6:20 PM in Metropolitan Ballroom B - Sheraton Hotel, Third Floor

**Friday, 4/15/11****4161 China: Housing and Urbanization**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Ballard - Sheraton Hotel, Pike Tower, Third Floor

**4261 China: Regional Planning and Development**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Ballard - Sheraton Hotel, Pike Tower, Third Floor

**4574 Urbanization and Social Change in China: A Dual-System Perspective**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Ravenna - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**4165 China Population I: Migration and Population in Transnational Contexts**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**4265 China Population II: Population, Migration, and Social Change**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**4465 China: Energy & Environment I**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 12:40 PM - 2:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**4565 China: Energy & Environment II**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 2:40 PM - 4:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**4665 China: Energy & Environment III**

is scheduled on Friday, 4/15/11, from 4:40 PM - 6:20 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**Saturday, 4/16/11**

**5159 China: Transportation Development & Infrastructure**

is scheduled on Saturday, 4/16/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Virginia - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Fourth Floor

**5259 China Reloaded: Urban Governance in Times of Economic Restructuring and Rapid Urbanization**

is scheduled on Saturday, 4/16/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Virginia - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Fourth Floor

**5165 Contemporary Issues in Rural China I**

is scheduled on Saturday, 4/16/11, from 8:00 AM - 9:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**5265 Contemporary Issues in Rural China II**

is scheduled on Saturday, 4/16/11, from 10:00 AM - 11:40 AM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**5365 China: Urban-Rural Linkages**

is scheduled on Saturday, 4/16/11, from 12:00 PM - 1:40 PM in Greenwood - Sheraton Hotel, Union Tower, Third Floor

**UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS**

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**Tourism People, Places and Environments**

The Seventh Biennial International China Tourism Conference  
Zhangjiajie (Hunan Province), China - 13-15 July 2011

Conference Hosts:

Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, China

Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, USA

Tourism Commission - China Geographical Society

Commission on the Geography of Tourism, Leisure and Global Change - International Geographical Union

Website: <http://www.geog.nau.edu/igust/China2011/>

## 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on China's Urban Transition and City Planning

**Cardiff School of City and Regional Planning**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on China's Urban Transition and City Planning

27–28 May 2011, Cardiff, Wales, UK



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School of Geography and Planning,  
Sun Yat-sen University  
Centre of Urban Studies and Urban Planning,  
The University of Hong Kong  
Urban Planning Society of China (UPSC)





### Conference rationale

Following the successful first conference in 2007, the School of City and Regional Planning will organize the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on China's Urban Transition and City Planning. The conference is sponsored by the Economic Social and Research Council (ESRC) and UK Department for International Development (DFID) and supported by research partner institutions. The first conference was well received and results in a series of journal special issues in *International Urban and Regional Research*, *Town Planning Review*, *The Built Environment*, and *Urban Design International*. The world has become quite different since the global financial crisis in 2008. China is becoming a major focus of global economic and environment changes.

In the post-crisis era, China continues to face the challenges from rural to urban migration, economic restructuring and urban redevelopment. Tremendous social and economic changes have triggered the transformation of urban space in China. Now Chinese cities are characterized by distinctive and contrasting spaces such as migrant villages and suburban gated communities. Chinese cities provide an interesting case for understanding contemporary urban restructuring in the world. This conference will provide an opportunity for researchers in urban studies, geography, sociology, political sciences, and city planning as well as China studies to explore multi-facets of China's urban transition and the policy implications for city planning and development.

### Conference themes

We invite papers on any of the following themes and also welcome proposals for additional themes to be incorporated into the final program. Initial themes include:

- Urbanization, rural to urban migration, migrants, migrant enclaves, and urban-rural division
- Urban redevelopment, relocation and demolition, demolition and redevelopment of *chengzhongcun* (urban villages)
- Land and housing development
- Urban social and spatial inequalities
- Urban economic restructuring, innovation, research and development
- sustainable places and eco-city formation
- Mega-city region and regional, urban and local (community) governance
- City planning and policies

### **Format**

A 300 words abstract in English, including the title, the name(s) of author(s), affiliation, contact address, telephone and email address, should be sent to Fangzhu Zhang ([zhangf4@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:zhangf4@cardiff.ac.uk)) with the subject line of 'Urban China Conference' by the deadline of abstract submission.

Plenary speeches followed by parallel sessions respectively in English and Chinese.

Post-conference field visits to the Cardiff Bay regeneration project and Welsh Life Museum.

### **Important Dates**

- 15 January 2011: abstract submission deadline
- 15 April 2011: early registration fee deadline
- 15 May 2011: full paper

### **Registration Fee**

Full participant: early bird: £150, (including conference materials, two lunches, tea/coffees and conference dinner, excluding accommodation and travels); after 15 April 2011, £250.

Student participant: £60 (excluding conference dinner), accompanying person / conference dinner: £40

Further information about hotels will be provided.

### **Conference venue: Cardiff: A Capital City**

As the capital city of Wales, Cardiff is well established as 'Europe's Youngest Capital' but its history dates back more than 2000 years to the Romans. It was once one of the busiest ports in the world, exporting the coal which fuelled the industrial revolution.

Cardiff University is located near the city centre. Main conference venue is the Glamorgan Building. The campus is only a few minutes walk to Cardiff Castle, Bute Park, and the National Museum of Wales with the world's largest collection of French impressionist art outside Paris.

The Cardiff-London Inter-City service, from London Paddington, runs some seventeen times a day, with a journey time of less than two hours. London Paddington has train connections to London Heathrow Airport.

Cardiff International Airport is served by KLM to Amsterdam which has convenient connection to many other cities in the world.

### **Enquiries and contacts of further information**

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### **International Conference on Urbanization and Development in China**

August 25-28, 2011

China's reforms, launched in the late 1970s, have had profound effects on its cities, regions, and development, and cities are increasingly becoming centers of China's economic growth, people's life, and geopolitical relations. This conference aims at providing a comprehensive review and assessment of China in transition, focusing on dimensions of globalization, urbanization/ migration, health, and urban-regional development. We welcome research articles to address theoretical, methodological, and empirical issues arising from urban and regional transition in China.

Date: August 25-28, 2011

Venue: University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, United States

Organizers: The Asia Center, the Confucius Institute, and the Institute for Public and International Affairs, University of Utah

Themes:

1. Globalization, cities, and regional/sustainable development
2. Urbanization: patterns, process, and consequences
3. Population change, migration and health
4. Urban growth, land use, and spatial restructuring
5. Urban society, culture and environment
6. Urban and regional policy, governance and planning

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**Paper Submission and Acceptance:**

1. Participants are expected to submit papers. The deadline for abstract (letter of intent) submission is March 1, 2011. Abstract should include title, abstract, keywords, and authors' names, affiliations, bios, and contact information. Abstracts should be within 300 words and submitted as a MS Word document. Please send the abstract to Apollo Yi Qi, qiyigis@gmail.com.
2. The deadline for (draft) full paper submission is May 15, 2011 (early submission is welcome). The paper should include title, keywords, text, references, tables and figures if necessary, and contact information. Please send the full paper to Apollo Yi Qi, qiyigis@gmail.com.
3. The conference organization committee will review and select the abstracts and papers based on conference topics and quality of research. One author of the accepted paper will be invited as the official representative.
4. With the agreement of the authors, the conference organization committee plans to publish selected manuscripts in a journal special issue, subject to a peer review process.

Registration: July 1, 2011

**Fees:**

1. Registration fee: \$150. Late registration fee (after July 1): \$250. Registration fee waivers will be provided to selected official representatives.
2. Participants should take care of their own travel expenses and accommodation.
3. Limited funding will be provided to selected authors to cover partial costs of the conference.

**Key Days (2011):**

March 1: Abstract due  
 May 15: Full paper due  
 July 1: Registration Due  
 August 25: Registration  
 August 26: Opening ceremony and presentation  
 August 27: Presentation and closing ceremony  
 August 28: Field trip (optional)

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### **Symposium on ASIA-USA Partnership Opportunities (SAUPO)**

April 8, 2011 Friday, Atlanta

Call For Papers and Presentations

<http://www.kennesaw.edu/saupo>

All areas of arts and humanities, business, information sciences, education, and social sciences are invited.

The Kennesaw State University (KSU) Asian Studies Program announces the Call for Papers and Presentations on a new global interdisciplinary "Symposium on Asia-USA Partnership Opportunities," to be held at the 4-star Loews Hotel in midtown Atlanta, GA on April 8, 2011. <http://www.loewshotels.com/en/Atlanta-Hotel>

SAUPO will offer a global platform of five-way dialogue among diplomats, policymakers, corporate managers, non-profit practitioners, and scholars.

This conference will highlight partnership opportunities between the United States and various Asian countries, especially China, India, Japan and Korea. This conference facilitates discussion among governments, universities, corporate entities and non-profit organizations to address critical strategic needs of the businesses they intend to serve in Asia and the USA in the age of globalization.

The theme of the 2011 conference is: Globalization and Asia-USA partnership:

1. Given the future global political, business and cultural climate, what changes in common business and operational processes and practices are required to create and sustain a competitive advantage for Asian-owned companies in the USA?
2. What are the challenges and opportunities American businesses need to pay attention to when doing business in Asia or with Asians?
3. What do companies need to understand about the interplay among governments, politics, cultures, and business practices in Asian societies?
4. What actions should be taken by businesses, academic institutions and governments to be more proactive as well as responsive to the complexities characterized by this Globalized Era?

Abstract Submission Guidelines:

1. One page abstract of 250-300 words to be submitted by January 15, 2011, and full paper submission by March 1, 2011.
2. Abstracts should be sent to [asianstudies@kennesaw.edu](mailto:asianstudies@kennesaw.edu).
3. Subject line of the email, indicate "2011 SAUPO Conference Paper Abstract".

The following represent some of the paper and presentation topics of interest, with the USA-Asia partnership as the context:

- Identification of current opportunities, challenges, and threats in creating and sustaining competitive advantages
- Exploration of processes and practices of managing multinational corporations
- Examination of governmental policies toward businesses and specific industries
- Intercultural communication and business
- Theories and emergent research on the interplay between businesses, governments, and politics
- Corporate Social Responsibility in American and Asian contexts
- Opportunities for non-profit organizations between Asia and the U.S.
- International education and Asia
- Globalization and information science

Selected papers from the conference may be eligible for publication in a special issue of the Journal of Emerging Knowledge on Emerging Markets (JEKEM). Manuscripts will be double-blind reviewed for acceptance according to JEKEM procedures.

At least one author of each accepted paper (abstract) must attend the conference and present the paper.

Questions regarding the Call for Papers may be directed to:

Dr. Leila Borders ([aborder4@kennesaw.edu](mailto:aborder4@kennesaw.edu)), Dr. Sarasij Majumder ([smajumde@kennesaw.edu](mailto:smajumde@kennesaw.edu)), or Dr. Guichun Zong ([gzong@kennesaw.edu](mailto:gzong@kennesaw.edu)), Co-Chairs of the Program Committee

### **ECO-CITIES IN PAN-ASIA**

International Conference, 17 & 18 June 2011, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore

Proposals are invited for papers to be presented at the 5th International Conference hosted by the International Eco-Cities Initiative in collaboration with Johns Hopkins University, the Smithsonian Institution and the University of Westminster. The conference will bring together academics, planners and policy experts with the aim of analyzing and comparing a variety of eco-city developments in China, India, Japan, South Korea and other Asian countries. The focus will be on discussing diverse eco-city initiatives within their specific local and national contexts, as well as comparing relevant governance and innovation perspectives across national and cultural boundaries.

We welcome papers discussing (i) individual eco-city case studies; (ii) cross-national comparative analyses; and/or (iii) theoretical perspectives relating to eco-city innovation in various Asian contexts.

The participation of early career researchers and practitioners is particularly welcome and will be supported through a competitive travel bursary scheme.

Deadline for submitting abstracts (250 words): 14 January 2010. Please send the abstracts to: [d.tomozeiu@westminster.ac.uk]

For more details please visit: [www.westminster.ac.uk/ecocities] (see 'International Conferences' link)

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### **CUHK Hosted Hong Kong Geography Day**

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Hong Kong Geography Day is a biennial event which gathers the geography education and research community in Hong Kong, aiming to foster academic exchange and collaboration between geography-related faculty members and postgraduate students, and to promote geography education in secondary schools. This year, the event was held at the Esther Lee Building, Chung Chi Campus, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), from 9am to 4:30pm on Saturday, 27 November 2010. The co-organizers are the Department of Geography and Resource Management (GRM) at CUHK and the Hong Kong Geographical Association, with support from the Hong Kong Geographical Information Systems Association.

Themed New Greater Pearl River Delta: The Path to Sustainability, the event addresses and highlights a variety of issues and challenges facing the Greater Pearl River Delta in an era of increasing globalization and rapid growth, with the intent of consolidating what we know and identifying gaps in education and research. The opening ceremony features two keynote speakers - Mrs. LAM Cheng Yuet-ngor, Carrie, JP, Secretary for Development of the HKSAR Government, and Professor ZHENG Tianxiang of Sun Yat-sen University. Both speakers talk about the recent development trends in the Greater Pearl River Delta. The attendance is estimated to be around 1,000 participants, including students and teachers from local secondary schools, graduate students and professors from the three geography departments of the three local universities, and guests from Guangzhou and Macau.

Featuring the Greater Pearl River Delta as the backdrop, Hong Kong Geography Day 2010 has a rich programme, including university research seminars, research student poster competition, secondary school talks, GIS Workshop, Geopark fieldtrip, GRM open house, and board exhibitions by relevant departments of the HKSAR Government (e.g. Planning Department, Buildings Department, Lands Department, Transport Department, Civil Engineering and Development Department, Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, Water Supplies Department, and Hong Kong Observatory), NGOs and business community (e.g. ESRI China Limited and Ocean Park) to display their interrelationship with the discipline of geography. Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou University, Guangzhou Geography Institute, Guangzhou Normal University, and Geography and Education Research Association of Macau send delegates to participate in the Hong Kong Geography Day 2010. In addition, secondary students and

teachers are arranged to visit two state-of-the-art facilities at CUHK - the Virtual Reality Lab and the Physical Geography Experimental Station.

## **CHINA GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP WEBSITE & TIMELINE**

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Be sure to visit our website at: <http://personal.bgsu.edu/~xye/cgsg.htm>.  
Past newsletters and the timeline are posted there.

### **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.

Please review and send information on additions or changes to Qihao Weng:  
[qweng@indstate.edu](mailto:qweng@indstate.edu).

## **NEW CGSG Website Address**

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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.