

## Call for Papers

The 28th CEA (UK) and 9th CEA (Europe) Annual Conference  
China's New Development: Innovation and Economic Transformation

The University of Manchester  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>, September 2017  
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Following nearly 40 years of reform the Chinese economy has transformed in almost every aspect. It has gone from being one of the most closed and isolated economies in the world of little relevance to the global economy and become both highly globalised and the world's second biggest economy. It is predicted that China will surpass the US in a decade's time. There are two questions that need to be urgently addressed. 1) This change is having an important impact on international relations, as we have observed in the UK politics and elsewhere. 2) whether China is able to maintain its speed of economic growth. China's growth has been slowing down to around 7 percent in recent years, compared to its high speed of growth of more than 9 percent per annual between 1979 and 2013.

To address many of the important issues concerning China, the Chinese Economic Association (UK and Europe) is organizing its annual conference at the University of Manchester on September 1-3, 2017. The conference will include invited keynote speakers, round table forums, and parallel sessions. Arrival and registration of participants will start in the afternoon of August 31<sup>st</sup>. All speeches and sessions will be held on September 1-3, 2017.

Features of the conference include: 1) The China-UK-Europe Forum, a roundtable with senior government officials business leaders, and renowned scholars from China and Europe. 2) Awards for best papers submitted and presented by PhD students. 3) Information corner on job opportunities. 4) Social events: Two formal dinners, one with Chinese music orchestra. A guide tour to Manchester's renowned landmark.

### PAPER SUBMISSIONS

Scholars are invited to submit theoretical and empirical papers on all areas of the Chinese economy. Example relevant topics include, but are not limited, to the following:

- China's economic reform
- China's economic growth
- Trade, Foreign Direct Investment, and China's outward investment
- Innovation, Technology and Development
- Income distribution, education, healthcare and social welfare issues
- Environmental issues
- China's political economy
- China's fiscal and financial system and reform
- Real estate, capital market and corporate governance
- Agricultural and rural development

Submissions should be made via email: [cea2017@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:cea2017@manchester.ac.uk)

Deadline for submissions: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

Notification of acceptance: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Online registration will be open from 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Conference website: [www.manchester.ac.uk/cea2017](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/cea2017)

## **SPECIAL SESSIONS**

If you would like to organize a special session on a specific topic and have speakers in mind, please submit your proposal to [cea2017@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:cea2017@manchester.ac.uk) by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Each organized session should consist of 3-4 individual papers. Proposal should contain a tentative name of the session, titles of papers along with their abstracts, as well as names of session presenters and their e-mails.

## **PUBLICATION**

We will be editing two special issues: one for *The Manchester School* (TMS), and another for the *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies* (JCEBS). All papers accepted for the conference are eligible for the special issues with the two journals. Papers will be reviewed for the two journals upon receipt using their normal criteria. Note that the acceptance of a paper to the conference is not a guarantee of publication by TMS or JCEBS. Selected conference papers may also have chance to be published in edited books.

## **KEYNOTES**

The keynote speeches will be given by the following distinguished scholars:

- Professor Shi Li, Director, China Institution for Income Distribution, Beijing Normal University.
- Professor Justin Lin, Honorary Dean, Peking University; Former Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank.
- Professor Rachel Ngai, Department of Economics at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).
- Professor Guoqiang Tian, Dean, School of Economics, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics; and Texas A&M University.
- Professor Yi Wen, Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

## **REGISTRATION**

Conference fee is £180; PhD student concessional fee is £80. The conference fee includes one-year membership of CEA and four issues of the *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies*.

All presenters and conference attendees must register for the Conference. Registration should be made online through the conference page, which will be open after the deadline of submission. Please note that registration fees are non-refundable.

Conference Chair:

Xiaobing Wang, University of Manchester, President-Elect of Chinese Economic Association (Europe/UK)

Terry Peach, University of Manchester and Shanghai University of Finance and Economics