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PROGRAM

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Conference website: http://www.gate.cnrs.fr/china-conf/
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25 (MORNING)

8:30 – 9:00am  Conference registration

9:00 – 9:30am  OPENING CEREMONY
ZHAO Zhongxiu, Dean, University of International Business and Economics (UIBE), Beijing
Alexandre ZIEGLER, Conseiller Culturel de l’Ambassade de France en Chine
Jean-François HUCHET, Director, CEFC, Hong Kong
Sylvie DEMURGER, GATE, University Lyon 2 and CNRS, Lyon

9:30 – 10:15am  KEYNOTE SPEECH
LI Shi, Beijing Normal University
Poverty and Dibao Program in Rural China

10:15 – 10:30am  COFFEE BREAK

10:30 – 12:00pm  SESSION 1 - MIGRATION AND OFF-FARM INCOME
Chairman: LI Shi, Beijing Normal University

SHI Xiaoping, Nanjing Agricultural University, Max SPOOR, Institute of Social Studies, the Hague, Nico HEERINK, Wageningen University
The Impact of Off-farm Employment on Rural Factor Market Development and Income Inequality – a Village-level Analysis in Jiangxi Province, China

Florence PADOVANI, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences
Planned and Non-Planned Migrations: the Challenge Shanghai Municipality faces

Maëlys DE LA RUPELLE, PSE, Paris, DENG Quheng, CASS, Beijing, LI Shi, Beijing Normal University, Thomas VENDRYES, PSE, Paris
Social Status, Land Rights and Rural-Urban Migration: The Case of China

Discussant: Martin FOURNIER, GATE, University of Lyon 2

12:00 - 1:30pm  LUNCH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25 (AFTERNOON)

2:00 – 2:45pm KEYNOTE SPEECH
Scott ROZELLE, Stanford University
Bluer? Greener? Browner? Is China Managing the Tradeoff Between Development and the Environment after 30 Years of Reform?

2:45 – 4:15pm SESSION 2 – ENVIRONMENT
Chairman: Scott ROZELLE, Stanford University

ZHOU Yuan, Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology, Duebendorf, ZHANG Yili, CAS, Beijing, Karim C. ABBASPOUR, Hans-Joachim MOSLER, YANG Hong, Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology, Duebendorf
Modelling the impacts of up- and downstream water reallocation on rural communities and social equity in the Chaobai watershed in China

TAN Shuhao, Nanjing Agricultural University, Nico HEERINK, Wageningen University, TU Qin, Wageningen University, Ruerd RUBEN, Radboud University Nijmegen
Grassland management in Qinghai-Tibet Plateau: implications for poverty alleviation and environmental sustainability

SHI Xiaoping, Nanjing Agricultural University, TU Qin, Institute of World Economics & Politics, CASS, Beijing and Wageningen University
Overuse Chemical Fertilizer and its Effects on Local Environment -- The Case Study of Jiangxi Province, China

Discussant: Jean-François HUCHET, CEFC, Hong Kong

4:15 – 4:30pm COFFEE BREAK

4:30 – 6:00pm SESSION 3 – FOREST RESOURCES AND BIOENERGY
Chairman: Scott ROZELLE, Stanford University

ZHANG Yaoqi, Auburn University, CAO Jianhua, Jiangxi Agricultural University, Nanchang, LIU Weiping, Fujian Agriculture and Forestry University, Fuzhou, WANG Sen, Canadian Forest Service
Privatization or Decentralization of the China’s Forestland? Historical and Global Perspective

GAN Lin, CICERO, Oslo
Bioenergy Transition in Rural China: Policy Options and Co-Benefits

Sylvie DEMURGER, Martin FOURNIER, GATE, University Lyon 2 and CNRS, Lyon
Rural poverty and fuelwood consumption: Evidence from Labagoumen Township (China)

Discussant: Christer LJUNGWALL, CCER, Beijing University and Stockholm School of Economics

7:00pm – COCKTAIL OFFERED BY THE FRENCH EMBASSY
CENTRE CULTUREL FRANÇAIS DE PEKIN
Guangcai International Mansion, 18, Gongti Xilu

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 (MORNING)

9:00 – 9:45am KEYNOTE SPEECH
Athar HUSSAIN, LSE, London
Transformation of the Rural Social Security System

9:45 – 10:00am COFFEE BREAK

10:00 – 10:45am KEYNOTE SPEECH
Sarah COOK, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, Brighton
Putting Health Back in China’s Development

10:45– 12:45pm SESSION 4 - PUBLIC POLICY
Chairman: Sarah COOK, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, Brighton

YANG Weixue, Huazhong Normal University, Wuhan
Status and Analysis: the Reform to the Financial Safeguard Mechanism for Compulsory Education in Rural Areas

Frederick W. CROOK, The China Group, Alpine
Supply and Demand for Public Goods in China’s Rural Areas: An Examination of Solid Waste Disposal in the Villages

Christian GÖBEL, University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany
Measuring and Explaining the Distributive Effects of the Rural Tax and Fee Reforms in Anhui Province, China

WEI Zhong, Institute of Economics, CASS, Beijing
Rural Medical Financial Aid System and Its Impact on Patient’s Decision Making

Discussant: Carine MILCENT, PSE, Paris

1:00 - 2:00pm LUNCH
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 (AFTERNOON)

2:00 – 2:45pm  KEYNOTE SPEECH
Claude AUBERT, INRA, Paris
Food security and consumption patterns in China: the grain problem

2:45– 4:15pm  SESSION 5 – ACTIVITY DIVERSIFICATION AND INCOME
Chairman: Claude AUBERT, INRA, Paris

BAI Chong-En, LU Jiangyong, SUN Wenkai, Tsinghua University, Beijing
Income Mobility of Households in Rural China: How and Why?

YANG Weiyong, UIBE, Beijing
Activity Diversification and rural income: Evidence from Chinese Provinces during the reform period

Jennifer ISERN, World Bank, Washington DC, CHENG Enjiang, Victoria University, ZHONG Xu, People’s Bank of China
Demand for financial services in China: A study of domestic migrant worker remittances

Discussant: YIN Xiaopeng, UIBE, Beijing

4:15 – 4:30pm  COFFEE BREAK

4:30– 6:00pm  ROUND TABLE – “RURAL CHINA IN THE FUTURE OF ECONOMIC REFORMS”
Chairman: Athar HUSSAIN, LSE, London

ZHAO Zhongxiu, Dean, UIBE
XIAO Geng, Director, The Brookings-Tsinghua Center, Beijing
Eva STERNFELD, Director, China Environment and Sustainable Development Reference and Research Center, Beijing
ZHANG Linxiu, Deputy Director, Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy, Chinese Academy of Sciences
Leila FERNANDEZ-STEMBRIDGE, Economic and Financial Affairs Section, EC Delegation to China, Beijing
Jean-François HUCHET, Director, CEFC, Hong Kong
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:30am – 1:30pm  **HALF-DAY TRIP TO A VILLAGE IN CHANGPING DISTRICT**, WITH ORGANIZED MEETINGS WITH LOCAL CADRES AND POPULATION.
Conference Venue
Chengxin Building
International Conference Room, 3/F