

Call for Papers to 2nd CERPE Workshop on

“Rising China and Chinese Migrants in Europe: A Sino-European Interdisciplinary Approach to Chinese Mobility”

**Organised by Jinan University,
School of International Studies/Academy of Overseas Chinese
Studies, Guangzhou, China (<http://sis-aocs.jnu.edu.cn>) and
Aarhus University, Dep. of Global Studies, Denmark
(<http://cas.au.dk/en/about-the-school/departments/global-studies/>)**

Venue: Jinan University, Guangzhou

Time: 12-15 November, 2017

Purpose of 2nd CERPE workshop:

China's economic, social and cultural rise has impacted Chinese migration to and within Europe and is transforming the Chinese diaspora communities as well as sending and receiving countries in new ways and directions. What kind of novel formations of mobility, organizational structures, economic development, identities as well as power dynamics are the new Chinese diasporas bringing into play and how are they impacting sending and receiving countries as well as the individual migrant and diaspora communities? What are the interconnections between the macro level of China's increasing integration into the global economy, its simultaneous development into a diaspora state, Europe's economic recession and changing political landscape and the micro level of Chinese diaspora communities and the individual migrant?

We cordially invite scholars to attend this workshop to explore recent transformations and developments of recent migratory processes taking place from China to Europe as a result of China's development into a world economic and political power. The proposed workshop aims to stimulate innovative, thought-provoking, and ground-breaking research on the transformations and developments of new and old Chinese diasporas in Europe from transnational, cross-regional, and interdisciplinary perspectives.

Through comparative studies of recent Chinese mobility to, within and beyond Europe, we hope to advance new academic knowledge and theories about the causes and consequences of contemporary Chinese migration of value to scholars of migration in general, as well as to policymakers, social workers and civil society practitioners etc.

Organization

The workshop is the second workshop to be held as part of the China-Europe Research Platform (<http://projects.au.dk/cerpe/>), which has been created between Jinan University, China and Aarhus University, Denmark to promote academic studies on Chinese migration to and beyond Europe from the perspective of both China and Europe. The first workshop was held in Aarhus in May 2016 when several papers were presented of which some will also be considered for publications in special issues of relevant journals (see below). The second workshop will provide a new opportunity for scholars to present their most

novel research in relation to Chinese migration in particular to Europe and to meet researchers working in the same field to directly discuss issues of shared interests as well as providing a platform for discussions on future research projects and research funding.

The workshop is organized as a research-intensive event focusing on short paper presentations (15 min) followed by plenum discussions (15 minutes). Papers will be made available in advance of the workshop and participants are encouraged to forward questions to paper presenters prior to the workshop.

Paper presenters are limited to 30 and will be selected based on relevance to the overall topic. Approximately 10 European scholars and 20 Chinese scholars will be invited to participate. Expenses (airfare, accommodation, meals, excursions) for scholars whose paper proposals have been accepted may be covered, but all participants are encouraged also to apply with their home institutions for additional funding.

Venue

The symposium will be held at Jinan University, Guangzhou, School of International Studies/Academy of Overseas Chinese Studies. The hosting institution is a unique academic unit specializing in the study of Chinese diasporas and sending communities. Moreover, Guangdong Province is the main sending area of millions of Chinese migrants and is the location of museums, cultural heritage sites and locations directly related to Chinese overseas migration. The workshop will include excursions to archives, museums and *qiaoxiang* areas.

Submission of paper proposal and full papers

2nd CERPE workshop invites interested scholars to submit a paper proposal by **10 February 2017** to zhao_zile@163.com.

Proposals should include a max 500 words abstract, a 150 word personal bio and a CV of no more than two pages including contact information (email, mobile number). Accepted languages: English and Chinese. Abstracts, personal bios and CV's should be forwarded as a single attachment in either Microsoft Word (*.doc or *.docx) or Rich File (*.rtf) format. Name the attachment with your surname and "paper proposal".

Publication plans

A number of high quality papers will be selected for revision to become part of a special issue of an academic journal, e.g., *International Migration* and/or *Journal of Chinese Overseas*. Prof Li Minghuan and Professor Mette Thunø will serve as guest editors of the special issues.

Important dates and contact information

- **10 Feb 2017 - deadline for abstracts**
- **1 March 2017 – participants are notified of acceptance or otherwise**
- **20 October 2017 – deadline for paper submission**

Additional information is available from Professor Mette Thunø (mettethunoe@au.dk).
Questions related to practical matters about the workshop may be addressed to Lecturer ZHAO Zile (zhao_zile@163.com).

Please refer to the workshop webpage (<http://cas.au.dk/en/about-the-school/departments/global-studies/cerpe2/>) for updated information.

