**NBER/SAIF Call for Papers
Real Estate Markets and Housing Finance in China**June 26-27, 2020: Shanghai, China

The National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) and the Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF) at Shanghai Jiao Tong University are pleased to announce the second biennial NBER-SAIF research conference. This conference series is designed to build a broader research community on the economics of public policies, with particular reference to policies that bear on financial markets, and to share rigorous, current research by leading international scholars and policy experts.  The conference series advances research and understanding on economic policy issues that are of interest in both China and the United States.

The conference program will consist of both invited presentations and contributed papers on various topics related to real estate markets and housing finance in China. Academic researchers from China and North America, policy makers, and industry experts, will participate in the meeting. The program will be organized by Hong Yan (SAIF) and James Poterba (MIT and NBER).

The organizers welcome submissions of research papers on a range of issues related to real estate markets and housing finance, including but not limited to the following:

• - the role of mortgage credit access and other investment options in affecting housing demand;

• - the measurement and explanation of house price movements, both over time and across regions;

• - the influence of public policies such as regulation and monetary policy, current and future demographic developments, and financial market conditions on housing markets;

• - housing as an asset in household portfolios.

Although the conference will emphasize papers that study housing and mortgage markets in China, papers that study experiences of other nations that may be relevant for the Chinese housing market will also be considered. The conference will cover travel costs and accommodation, in accordance with the relevant policies, for one presenter for each accepted paper.

Submissions in PDF form should be sent to nber@saif.sjtu.edu.cn by December 16, 2019. Submissions from junior scholars and from under-represented minority groups are welcome. Papers that have been accepted for publication and will appear before June, 2020 are not eligible for submission. Authors of accepted papers will be notified in January, 2020. Inquiries may be directed to nber@saif.sjtu.edu.cn.