The Seventh Annual NBER-CCER Conference on

China and the World Economy

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Conference Site: China Center for Economic Research, Beijing University June 29-July 2, 2005

Organizors: Justin Lin and Yang Yao (CCER) Martin Feldstein and Shang-Jin Wei (NBER)

June 29

18:30 – 20:00: Reception Dinner at the CCER (hosted by the CCER)

June 30

8:30 - 8:45 Registration

8:45 - 9:00 Welcome remarks

Justin Yifu Lin (Director, CCER) and Martin Feldstein (President, NBER)

9:00 – 10:45 Macroeconomic Issues in China and the US

An official from PBOC (Zhou Xiaochuan, to be invited)

China's moves to fulfill WTO requirements for banking access

Justin Yifu Lin (Director, CCER)

From deflation to inflation: China's macroeconomic situation

Martin Feldstein

Macroeconomic situation in the US and its implications for other countries

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 12:30 Banks and Monetary Policy

Anil Kashyup (NBER & University of Chicago)

Banking

David Li (Director, CCWE, Tsinghua University)

China's interest rate policies: 1980-2004

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

13:30 – 17:30 **Factory Visit**

18:30 - 20:00 Dinner (hosted by the NBER)

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9:00 – 10:30 Capital Market and Tax Policy

Richard Clarida (NBER & Columbia University)

Capital flows

Bo Li (PBOC)

Legislation and capital market in China

Jeffrey Liebman (NBER & Harvard)

Tax credits for income maintenance

Minggao Shen (CCER)

Informal capital market in China

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 – 12:15 Governance and Economic Consequences

Yang Yao (CCER)

Grassroots democracy and farmers' capability against major health shocks

Ben Olken (Harvard)

Corruption

Shang-Jin Wei (NBER & IMF)

Entrepot Trade and Tariff Evasion

12:15 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:30 Migration and Health

Yaohui Zhao (CCER)

Migration and income disparity

George Borjas (NBER & Harvard)

International migration

Ling Li (CCER)

Hospital reform in China

Amy Finkelstein (NBER & Harvard)

Healthcare

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30 **Public Finance and Retirement**

Jeffrey Brown (NBER & Illinois)

Pension problems in the private sector and the PBGC

Xinqiao Ping (CCER)

Fiscal decentralization and local public good provision in China

David Wise (NBER and Harvard)

Social security and retirement

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Zhong Zhao (CCER)
Labor
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18:30 – 20:00 Dinner (hosted by the NBER, Da-zhai-men)

July 2

9:00 - 11:00 Trade and FDI

An official from Ministry of Commerce and Foreign Trade
China's move to deal with textile trade disputes
Kent Smetters (NBER and University of Pennsylvania)
The conservative's economic agenda in the US
Feng Lu (CCER)
Inter-firm trade
Yan Shen (CCER)
FDI

11:30 Adjoin

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Format of the sessions: presentations of 15-20 minutes per speaker, followed by questions and answers in the balance of the time.