



Workshop Program

"Göttingen China Workshop on Globalization and Development"

July 15 and 16, 2025

Organizers: Andreas Fuchs, Lei Li, Krisztina Kis-Katos, and Xiaohua Yu

Tuesday at Alte Mensa

09:15 - 09:30 **Opening**

09:30 – 10:15 **Keynote (Chair: Lei Li)**

From Invention to Education: Impact of Technology Innovation on Human

Capital Formation in China

Yifan Zhang (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

10:15 – 10:30 Coffee Break

10:30 – 11:30 Session One: Innovation and Talent Allocation (Chair: Andreas Fuchs)

Offshoring and Firm-level Innovation

Udo Kreickemeier (University of Göttingen)

The Comparative Advantage of Engineers

Bing Li (Sun Yat-sen University)

Trade War and Major Choice

Mengyuan Wang (Shanghai University of Finance and Economics)

11:30 – 11:45 Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:25 Session Two: Trade and Environment (Chair: Xiaohua Yu)

Roads to Trees? The Impact of Highway Expansion on Forest Quality in China

Cong Peng (Peking University)

From Tariffs to Trees: The Hidden Environmental Costs of Trade War Lei Li (University of Göttingen)

12:25 – 13:30 Group Photo and Lunch Break

13:30 – 14:30 Session Three: Trade and Development (Chair: Lei Li)

Sex Trade under Trade War in China

Pinghan Liang (Sun Yat-sen University)

Sex and the City: An Episode of China

Zibin Huang (Shanghai University of Finance and Economics)

KfW Development Projects and FDI

Laura Wedemeyer (University of Göttingen)

14:30 –17:00 Bilateral Meetings and City Tour

17:30 – Dinner (by invitation)

Wednesday at Oeconomicum, Room 0.211

09:30 – 12:00 Bilateral Meetings and City Tour

12:00 – 13:00 Group Photo and Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:00 Session Four: Firms and Development (Chair: Krisztina Kis-Katos)

Market Interdependence through Shared Suppliers

Rui Zhang (Sun Yat-sen University)

Sanctions, Sales, and Stigma: Intermediary Online Firms' Market Role in Sustaining Trade

Krisztina Kis-Katos (University of Göttingen)

The Impact of Regional Growth on Internal Migration: A District-Level Analysis for Malawi

Mauro Lanati (University of Florence)

Presentation:

20 minutes are devoted to each paper in a research session. We aim for short initial presentations. This means ideally a 15-minutes presentation, and the remaining time is for Q&A. We will try to be strict on time keeping. Please send Niclas Morten Diederichs (niclas.diederichs@stud.unigoettingen.de) your slides until the day before your presentation is scheduled.