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Rural-Urban Dynamics and Emergent Forms of Labor in India and China (Göttingen, February 22-23, 2016)

Venue: Centre for the Humanities (KWZ), Heinrich-Düker-Weg 14, room 2.601

Monday, 22 February 2016

10:00 – 10:30 Welcome Address & Opening Remarks

- 10.00-10.10 *Welcome*
Srirupa Roy (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)
10.10-10.30 *Opening Remarks*
Saikat Maitra (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

10:30 – 12:00 Panel 1

Chair: Sumeet Mhaskar (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

- 10.30 – 10.50 *Refashioning Policing: ‘Rural’ Women in ‘Urban’ Delhi*
Rachna Chaudhary (Gender Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi)
10.50 – 11.10 *The (im)morality of network marketing in rural-urban imaginaries in China*
Charlotte Bruckermann (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle)
11.10-11.20 Discussant: Nellie Chu (CeTREN, University of Göttingen)
11.20 – 12.00 Discussion

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:00 Panel 2

Chair: Nellie Chu (CeTREN, University of Göttingen)

- 13.30 – 13.50 *The Interface between Migration and Global Social Protection in China*
Armin Müller (CeMEAS, University of Göttingen)
13.50 – 14.10 *Mass strikes and new forms of worker organisation in India and other emerging countries*
Jörg Nowak (University of Kassel)
14.10 – 14.20 Discussant: Sumeet Mhaskar (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)
14.20 – 15.00 Discussion

15:15 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 – 17:00 Panel 3

Chair: Armin Müller (CeMEAS, University of Göttingen)

- 15.30 – 15.50 *The Triple Absence of Labour Rights: Triangular Labour Relations and Informalisation in the Construction and Garment Sectors in Delhi and Shanghai*
Jens Lerche (Department of Development Studies, SOAS)

- 15.50 – 16.10 *Labor cultures in the Indian informal sector and the making of an oppression of the subaltern by the subaltern. Insights from the everyday life on Madhya Pradesh's migrant workers*
Arnaud Kaba (EHESS-Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales, Anthropology Department, Toulouse)

16.10 – 16.20 Discussant: Ravi Ahuja (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

16.20 – 17.00 Discussion

17:00 – 18:30 Dinner

Venue: Holborn'sches Haus, Rote Straße 34, 37073 Göttingen

18:30 – 19:15 Keynote

- 18.30 – 18.40: *Welcome*
Nellie Chu

- 18.40 – 19.15 *Keynote Address: Labor politics in China: where the state meets market and society*
Gaochao He (Professor of Political Science, Sun Yat-sen University, China/International Labor University, Kassel)

19:30 – 21:00 Round Table: Development and its Discontents: Urban Expansion, Labor and New Structures of Inequality in India and China

Discussants:

Gaochao He (Political Science, Sun Yat-sen University, China / International Labor University, Kassel)

Nicole Mayer-Ahuja (Sociology, University of Göttingen)

Stephan Klasen (Development Economics, University of Göttingen)

Uma Rani (Development Economics, International Labour Organization, Geneva)

Jörg Nowak (Political Science, University of Kassel)

Chair: Sumeet Mhaskar (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

Tuesday, 23 February 2016

09:00 – 10:30 Panel 4

Chair: Saikat Maitra (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

- 9.00 – 9.20 *Structural vulnerability and power at the 'margins' of the garment sweatshop: India and China compared*
Alessandra Mezzadri (Department of Development Studies, SOAS)

- 9.20 – 9.40 *Re corporatizing Southern China's Lineages: The Emergence of the Tu Er Dai Peasant Landlords*
Nellie Chu (CeTREN, University of Göttingen)

9.40 – 9.50 Discussant: Rukmini Barua (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

9.50 – 10.30 Discussion

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:45 Panel 5

Chair: Rukmini Barua (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

10.45 – 11.5 *Migrant Zones – Economic Growth, Urbanization, and Spaces of Identity in China*

Will Thomson (Anthropology Department, MIT)

11.15 – 11.35 *Uneasy Atmospheres: Urban Utopia and Subaltern Politics in New Town*

Saikat Maitra (CeMIS, University of Göttingen)

11.35-11.55 *Tracing rural-urban regime shifts by land cover and land use analysis – How do spatial patterns and social processes interact?*

Ellen Hoffmann (OPATS, University of Kassel)

11.55 – 12.05 Discussant: Armin Müller (CeMEAS, University of Göttingen)

12.05 – 12.45 Discussion

12:45 – 13:15 Concluding Remarks

Nellie Chu (CeTREN, University of Göttingen)

13:15 – 14:30 Lunch Break

14:30 – 17:00 Publication Meeting

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