

# **The 18<sup>th</sup> China Economics Summer Institute**

August 23 – 24, 2025

School of Economics and Management, Tsinghua University

## **Programme**

### **August 23, 2025, Saturday (Beijing Time)**

08:00 – 08:45 Registration

08:45 – 09:00 **Opening Remarks**

#### **Session 1: Institutions and Norms**

**Chair: Ruixue Jia**

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09:00 – 10:00 *On the Centralization of Policymaking in China*  
**Kaicheng Luo**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

10:00 – 11:00 *Local Favoritism in State Formation*  
**Zining Wang**, Peking University

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee/Tea Break

11:30 – 12:30 *Asymmetric Fertility Elasticities*  
**Anson Zhou**, The University of Hong Kong

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch (by Invitation)

#### **Firm Visit & Field Work (by Invitation)**

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14:00 – 17:00 Xiaomi Firm Visit and Field Work (by Invitation)

18:00 Dinner (by Invitation)

## **August 24, 2025, Sunday (Beijing Time)**

### **Session 2: Environment and Technology**

**Chair: Yifan Zhang**

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- 08:30 – 09:00    Coffee/Tea Break
- 09:00 – 10:00    *Industrial Water Pollution, Agricultural Productivity and Labor Reallocation: Evidence from China*  
**Xiaomeng Cui**, IESR, Jinan University
- 10:00 – 11:00    *Welfare Effects of Reducing Coal Production in China*  
**Tianshi Mu**, Tsinghua University
- 11:00 – 11:30    Coffee/Tea Break
- 11:30 – 12:30    *The Anatomy of Chinese Innovation: Insights on Patent Quality and Ownership*  
**Philipp Boeing**, Goethe University Frankfurt, ZEW Mannheim
- 12:30 – 13:30    Lunch (by Invitation)

### **Session 3: Trade and Trade War**

**Chair: Hong Ma**

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- 13:30 – 14:30    *The Impact of the Trade War: Divergence in Chinese and U.S. Innovations in the Post-Conflict Era*  
**Yiran Zhang**, Fudan University
- 14:30 – 15:30    *Financial Sanctions and Russian Trade*  
**Yang Jiao**, Singapore Management University
- 15:30 – 16:00    Coffee/Tea Break
- 16:00 – 17:00    *Blocking the Giants: Theory and Evidence from the GFW*  
**Ruiqi Sun**, The University of Hong Kong
- 18:00              Dinner (by Invitation)