

**[Call for Papers - Deadline: 8 May 2026 \(Friday\)](#)**

**China Economics Summer Institute (CESI)**

**14-15 August 2026, Department of Economics, The Chinese University of Hong Kong**

The 19th China Economics Summer Institute (CESI) will be held on August 14-15, 2026, at the Department of Economics, Chinese University of Hong Kong. This will be an in-person meeting. CESI aims to create a network and community of top-level scholars working on Chinese economic development (working papers of previous CESI available at <http://cesi.econ.cuhk.edu.hk/>). This initiative is currently co-sponsored by the Chinese University of Hong Kong-Tsinghua University Joint Research Center for Chinese Economy, the Centre for Economic Policy at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, the Guanghua School of Management at Peking University, the Stanford Center on China's Economy and Institutions (SCCEI) at Stanford University, and the School of Economics and Management at Tsinghua University. The Summer Institute is organized in collaboration with the BREAD, NBER and CEPR networks of academic economists.

This call invites you to submit a paper or express interest in attending the above Summer Institute. The workshop intends to bring together scholars working on China across different parts of the world and build supportive mentoring networks for junior scholars. We welcome applications not only from those who want to present their research on China but also from anybody interested in doing serious economic research on China and would like to use the workshop to explore this possibility. During the workshop, there will be seminar presentations. Senior scholars who will attend will be available for consultations with junior scholars.

The scientific committee of the China Economics Summer Institute is composed of Chong-En Bai, Ruixue Jia, Amber Li, Hongbin Li, Ernest Liu, Yi Lu, Hong Ma, Juanjuan Meng, Albert Park, Gérard Roland, Zheng (Michael) Song, Heiwai Tang, Shaoda Wang, Daniel Xu, Xiaobo Zhang, Yifan Zhang, and Li-An Zhou. The committee is co-chaired by Ruixue Jia and Yifan Zhang.

If you are interested in presenting at the conference, please submit your paper to <https://cloud.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/webform/view.php?id=13728221>. The deadline for submission is **May 8, 2026 (HKT)**. Notification of acceptance will be sent by **May 22, 2026 (HKT)**. For each accepted paper, the host institute will cover economy class airfare and hotel accommodation for up to 3 nights for the presenter.

If you are interested in attending the meeting, please register online at <https://cloud.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/webform/view.php?id=13728225>.

If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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