



# The Hohenheim-Xi'an Jiaotong Research Seminar in Theoretical and Empirical Economics

Xi'an Jiaotong University School of Economics and Finance March 2-6, 2020 Xi'an, China

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The Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences of the University of Hohenheim and the School of Economics and Finance at the Xi'an Jiaotong University recently signed a memorandum of understanding in order to foster cooperation in all fields of academic life. The aim of this research seminar is to bring together young academics from the University of Hohenheim and Xi'an Jiaotong University (as well as a selection of Chinese universities) to present their research and promote research cooperation. Submissions from all fields of economics are welcome, and they can be empirical or theoretical in nature. This seminar also forms part of the PhD programme at the University of Hohenheim (course "Doctoral Seminar").

## Date and venue

The workshop will take place between March 2-6, 2020 at the School of Economics and Finance, Xi'an Jiaotong University in Xi'an, China.

#### **Submission**

All doctoral students as well as young post-doctoral researchers are invited to submit a full paper or a 1-page extended abstract by <u>August 30, 2019</u> to Peng Nie (<u>niepeng2017@mail.xitu.edu.cn</u>), Klaus Prettner (<u>klaus.prettner@uni-hohenheim.de</u>) and Alfonso Sousa-Poza (<u>alfonso.sousa-poza@uni-hohenheim.de</u>). The authors of accepted abstracts will be notified by mid-September and completed draft papers will then be expected by January 31, 2020. Note that participation from Germany is restricted to members of the University of Hohenheim.

Economy-class travel, accommodation costs and visa costs for participants from the University of Hohenheim will be covered by the project CHIKOH (China Competence in Hohenheim). We expect all participants to stay for the entire duration of the seminar and to act as discussants for another paper.

# About Xi'an Jiaotong University

Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU) is a prestigious university under the direct administration of the Ministry of Education of China and is one of the oldest universities in China. XJTU belongs to the C9 League which is an official alliance of nine universities in mainland China commonly known as China's Ivy League. The predecessor of Xi'an Jiaotong University was Nanyang College, which was founded in 1896 in Shanghai and renamed Jiaotong University in 1921. In 1956, the main part of Jiaotong University was relocated to Xi'an according to the decision of the State Council, and this relocated part of Jiaotong University was later officially renamed Xi'an Jiaotong University in 1959. In 2000, approved by the State Council, the former Xi'an Medical University. XJTU, as one of the first batch of the universities in China, was supported by the Central Government at the seventh and eighth five-year plan, as well as China's "Project 211" and "Project 985" to develop it into a world-class university. Xi'an Jiaotong University is on the List of World-Class Universities and First-Class Disciplines (abbreviated as "Double First-Class") released in 2017 by the Ministry of Education of China. As a Double First-Class university in Category A, the government will support XJTU financially in order to develop it into a world-class university in all the eight disciplines that it covers.

## About School of Economics and Finance

The School of Economics and Finance is a young school which, in 2000, was established through a merger of the economics programmes of Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU), Xi'an Medical College, and Shaanxi Finance and Economics Institute. The school has 141 faculty members, comprising 37 professors, 63 associate professors, and 41 lecturers, 1 youth scholar with notable national contribution, 1 vice chairman on MOE teaching steering committee, 12 faculty with government subsidy, and 5 XJTU outstanding instructors. The school enrols nearly 2000 undergraduate, master and PhD students. The school offers 7 undergraduate programs in finance, international economics and trade, trade economy, E-commerce, economics, statistics, and public finance, and 1 financial and information engineering program. Through years of development, the school currently has 1 national key discipline (i.e., industrial economics), 1 applied economics post-doctoral station, degree and PhD programs in applied economics, 12 second-class PhD programs, 11 master programs, and 5 degree programs.

### About University of Hohenheim

The University of Hohenheim is located in the baroque Hohenheim Palace in the south of Stuttgart. The innovative metropolitan area is home to world famous firms like Bosch, Daimler, Porsche and Hugo Boss. It is renowned for its economic strength, its leading technological position, its first-class universities and its high quality of life. Founded in 1818, the University of Hohenheim is not only engaged in foundational research but traditionally also in developing innovative solutions for urgent social matters. Today, the University of Hohenheim is the leading university in agricultural research and food sciences in Germany and it is strong and unparalleled in natural, social, business, economic and communication sciences. The combination makes it possible to find solutions for many global challenges. This is why the University puts great emphasis on maintaining an international network with numerous strong partners. A joint specialization of research and teaching in all subjects is Bioeconomy. It is about the economics of the future, with new products and new productions processes, made of raw material from plants, animals, or microorganisms.

#### About Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences

With over 5,300 students, the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences is the largest of the University's three faculties. With its 45 departments, the Faculty covers a broad spectrum of scientific competences and methods. The departments' research areas range from business administration and economics to education for business and economics, information systems, law, and social sciences as well as communication science. Our scientists work on substantial, excellent contributions to fundamental and applied scientific questions. The Faculty thereby places great importance on further developing national and international cooperation with universities and non-university research institutions, public supporters, and businesses. In order to remain an attractive partner for international teaching and research contacts in the future, the Faculty is currently preparing for an international accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). It has been a member of this association since 2016.

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