



The Global Transformation of Work: Market Integration, China's Rise, and Labor Adaptation

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016

Bove Auditorium, Rutgers Business School (RBS), Newark Campus

6:00

Greetings

- Nabil Adam, Vice Chancellor of Research and Collaborations, Rutgers-Newark
- James Hayton, Dean of SMLR
- Lei Lei, Dean of RBS
- Shuguang Wang, Board Member of CGCC & General Manager, Broad USA Inc.

6:15-8:00 **Forum** | Opportunities and Challenges of Chinese Multinationals in the U.S. Chair: Chao C. Chen (Professor, Rutgers Business School)

- Lawrence Yu (Executive Director of Global Marketing, Lenovo)
- Howard Finkel (Executive VP, COSCO)
- Alex Yong Hao (Resident Partner, Jun He Law Offices)
- Mary Watson (Executive Dean, The New School of Public Engagement)
- Leigh Anne Liu (Professor, Georgia State University)
- Ji Li (Professor, Rutgers Law School)

8:00 Reception

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- 8:30-9:00 Registration & Breakfast
- 9:00-9:30 Welcomes by SMLR and Renmin Deans
- 9:30-11:00 **Plenary Addresses** | Meeting the Transformation of Work: Transforming Research?
 - Harry Katz (Cornell ILR): Industrial Relations
 - Anne Tsui (U. of Notre Dame, Peking U. and Fudan U.): Management
- 11:00-11:15 Break
- 11:15-12:45 **Panel 1** [Streams 1 & 2 in Parallel]
- 12:45-2:00 Lunch Break
- 2:00-3:30 Panel 2
- 3:30-3:45 Break
- 3:45-5:15 Panel 3
- 5:20-6:50 **Panel 4**
- 7:30 Dinner in Christopher's Restaurant (Heldrich Hotel), New Brunswick

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8:00-8:30	Breakfast
8:30-10:00	Panel 5
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-11:45	Panel 6
11:45-1:15	Conference Lunch and Discussion: "Where do we go from here?"
	The Center Co-Directors discuss their vision for the Rutgers-Renmin Center for Global Work and Employment.
1:15-2:45	Panel 7
2:45-3:00	Break
3:00-4:30	 Symposium New China-Related Books on Global Work and Employment Chair: Anil Verma (University of Toronto) Mary Gallagher (2016) Authoritarian Legality: Law, Workers, and the State in Contemporary China. Cambridge University Press, Forthcoming. Marc Blecher. A World to Lose: Working Class Formation in China. Forthcoming. Cynthia Estlund (2016) A New Deal for China's Workers? Harvard University Press, Forthcoming. Ji Li (2017) Surviving the Clash of Capitalisms: Chinese Investors in the US. Cambridge University Press, Forthcoming.

• **Mingwei Liu & Chris Smith. Eds. (2016)** *China at Work: A Labor Process Perspective on the Transformation of Work and Employment in China.* London: Palgrave.

4:30-5:30 Reception & Networking

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Panels in Stream 1: Collective Action in the New Global Economy Levin Building, Room 003

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11:15-12:45 Panel 1 | **Cross-National Comparisons: New Pathways of Organized Combat** Chair: Janice Fine (Rutgers University)

- **Dorothy J. Solinger (UC Irvine)**, "State Gains, Labor Losses: China, France, Mexico, and East Europe in Comparison"
- Immanuel Ness (City Univ. of New York), "Collective Action in Global Logistics"
- Søren Kaj Andersen (University of Copenhagen), Christian Lyhne Ibsen and Jon Erik Dølvik, "The Complexities of Stability How and Why Nordic Employers Stay Put"
- Jonas Aissi and **Rafael Peels (ILO)**, "Involving Workers' and Employers in Trade Policy: The Cases of TTIP and TPP"

2:00-3:30 Panel 2 | New Perspectives on Collective Action in China, Part 1

Chair: Mingwei Liu (Rutgers University)

- Yujeong Yang and Mary Gallagher (University of Michigan), "Moving In and Moving Up? Labor Conditions and China's Changing Development Model"
- Chunyun Li (LSE), "Cultures of Pragmatism? Pragmatic Chinese Worker Protest Leaders"
- Xiaoyu Huang, Lihua Zhang, **Anil Verma (University of Toronto)**, Wei Huang and Jinqiang Zhu, "Settling Strikes in China: the Role of Proactive HRM Practices"
- **Aaron Halegua (New York University)**, "Government-Sponsored Legal Aid and the Role of Labor NGOs in China: A Story of Displacement?"

3:45-5:15 Panel 3 | Representing Worker Interests in Europe

Chair: Sanjay Pinto (Rutgers University)

- Richard Hyman (LSE), "Old and New Actors in Employee Representation: Rivals or Allies?"
- **Steen Nvrbjerg (University of Copenhagen)** and Trine Larsen, "The Effects of Union Mergers and Restructuring: A Bottom-up Perspective by Danish Shop Stewards"
- Thomas Haipeter (University of Duisburg-Essen), "The Interests of White-Collar Workers and their Representation in the German Manufacturing Sector: New initiatives, Opportunity Structures, Framing and Resources."
- Mark Vail (Tulane University), "From Liberalism to Liberalization: French and German Liberalism and Labor-Market Reform since the 1990s"

5:20-6:50 Panel 4 | **Expert Panel: Collective Action in the Global Economy (Focus of JIR-CFP)** Chair: Tobias Schulze-Cleven (Rutgers University)

- Rebecca Gumbrell-McCormick (Birkbeck) and Richard Hyman (LSE): Industrial Relations
- Gary Herrigel (University of Chicago): Political Science
- Nelson Lichtenstein (UC Santa Barbara): History
- Gay W. Seidman (University of Wisconsin-Madison): Sociology

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8:30-10:00 Panel 5 | New Perspectives on Collective Action in China, Part 2 Chair: David Bensman (Rutgers University)

- Anita Chan (Australian National University), "Comparing Regular and Agency Workers' Working Conditions, Attitudes and Resistance: a Case Study of Chinese Auto Joint Ventures"
- William Hurst (Northwestern University), "Second Image, Un-reversed, of 2008: China's New Economic Slowdown and the Politics of Labor"
- Elaine Sio Ieng Hui (Penn State University), "Understanding the Role of Extra-Union Actors in Worker Collective Actions in China"
- Kevin Lin (University of Technology Sydney), "Striking Strategies in Chinese Workers' Collective Actions"

10:15-11:45 Panel 6 | Linking Local Struggles to Global Agendas: Transient Solidarities

Chair: Charles Heckscher (Rutgers University)

- **Maite Tapia (Michigan State University)** and Mikhail Filipovitch "The End of Solidarity? Says Who? Four Cases of Solidarity and Power through Collective Action"
- Hui Xu, Sabrina Zajak and Chris K.C. Chan (City University of Hong Kong), "Transformation of Labor Relations and Transnational Solidarity in China"
- **Rebecca Gumbrell-McCormick (Birkbeck), "**The ITUC and the Challenge of China"
- Sid Rothstein (University of Pennsylvania), "How Neoliberalism Works: Eroding Workers' Strategies to Regulate Employer Discretion"

1:15-2:45 Panel 7 | Labor Strategies Cross-Nationally

Chair: Rebecca Givan (Rutgers University)

- Ken Dubin (Anglia Ruskin University) and Tobias Schulze-Cleven, "The Politics of Labor Market Dualization: Spanish and German Lessons from the Great Recession"
- Stefan Schmalz (University of Jena) and Marcel Thiel, "IG Metall's Comeback: A Power Resource Perspective"
- Nelson Lichtenstein (UC Santa Barbara), "The Demise of Tripartite Governance and the Rise of the Corporate Social Responsibility Regime"
- Jamie McCallum (Middlebury College) and Marissa Brookes, "Labor Beyond Borders: A Critical Review of The New Global Labor Studies"

Panels in Stream 2: HRM in MNCs in and from China

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11:15-12:45 Panel 1 | **Chinese MNCs Abroad: Use of Expatriates and Local Employees** Chair: Fang Lee Cooke (Monash University)

- Yu Zheng and Chris Smith (University of London), "Tiered Expatriation: Overturning the Orthodoxy on Expatriate Use through the Case of Chinese MNCs"
- Yanyuan Cheng (Renmin University), Jiaojiao Feng and Fuxi Wang, "The Factors that Impact Motivations of Bank of China Expatriates and its relevant HR Policy: A Case Study of the Bank of China"
- Jing Betty Feng (Farmingdale State College) and Leigh Anne Liu (Georgia State University), "Multilevel Cultural Fit and Employees Engagement: An Exploratory Study of Talent Management of Chinese Firms in the United States"

2:00-3:30 Panel 2 | Foreign MNCs in China: Employment Relations and Human Resources Chair: Randall Schuler (Rutgers University)

- **Fang Lee Cooke (Monash University)** and Yuhua Xie, "From Quality to Cost? The Evolution of Walmart's Human Resource Practices in China and its Impact on Industrial Relations (1996-2015)"
- **Christian Lévesque** (HEC Montréal) and Hu Hao "Employment Relations Institutions in Transition within MNCs: A Comparative Study of China and Mexico"
- **Ramsin Yakob (University of Gothenburg)**, "Fostering Local Managerial Capacity in China through Knowledge-Collectivities."
- Jie Feng (Rutgers University), Xu Jiang, and Emily Rosado-Solomon, "Entrepreneurial Orientation, Patterns of HRM Practices and Firm Performance: Evidence from Domestically Owned Companies and Multinational Corporations in China"

3:45-5:15 Panel 3 | **Expert Panel Discussion: Global Strategic HRM (Focus of HRM-CFP)** Chair: James Hayton (Rutgers University)

- Susan Jackson (Rutgers University)
- Randall Schuler (Rutgers University)
- Elaine Farndale (Penn State University)

5:20-6:50 Panel 4 | Chinese MNCs: HRM at Home and Abroad

Chair: Leigh Anne Liu (Georgia State University)

- Lisa Qixun Siebers (Nottingham Trent University), "HRM Practices of Chinese Firms in Eastern and Southern Africa: Cases of Kenya, Zambia, and South Africa"
- **Natalie Koeppe (Toulouse Business School)**, and Akram Al Ariss, "Talent Management Strategies of German MNCs in China: A Study of Headquarters-Subsidiary Relations"
- **Frithjof Arp (University of Nottingham)**, "Knowledge transfer through foreign experts: The role of support for geocentric HRM at different organizational hierarchy levels in the headquarters of Chinese firms"
- Yongqian Tu (Renmin University), "HRM Revolution of Chinese MNCs: Case Studies of Huawei and Haier"

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8:30-10:00 Panel 5 | MNCs in and from China: HRM Standardization vs. Localization Chair: Stephen Frenkel (University of New South Wales)

- Sunwook Chung (Sogang University) and Sunghoon Kim (UNSW), "Localization is a Journey: Korean MNC's Human Resources Localization in China"
- Zaheer Khan, Rekha Rao-Nicholson, **Shlomo Y. Tarba (University of Birmingham)**, and Geoffrey Wood, "HRM Practices of Chinese MNCs in Developed Markets: Standardization versus Adaptation Debate Revisited"
- **Can Ouyang (Cornell University)** and Mingwei Liu, "Strategic Intent, Resource Dependence, and Pathways to Local Responsiveness: Chinese Multinationals in a Developed Market "
- Yan Chen (Rutgers University), Mingwei Liu and Can Ouyang, "Testing Institutional Theory: Sources of Isomorphic Pressures and Localization of Human Resource Management in U.S. Subsidiaries of Chinese Multinational Companies"

10:15-11:45 Panel 6 | Employment Relations in Foreign MNCs in China

Chair: Mingwei Liu (Rutgers University)

- Xiaoyu (Sherry) Guan and **Steve Frenkel (UNSW)**, "Managing Labor Standards in China: An Exploratory Analysis"
- Shih-Wei Pan (Chinese Culture University) "Politics of Corporate Social Responsibility and Industrial Relations of Taiwanese Manufacturers in China: Trapped between Brands, NGOs and the State"
- **Tony Fang (Memorial University),** Ying Ge and Youqing Fan, "The Cooperative Roles of Chinese Unions in Multinational Corporations"
- Ying Chen and Yun-Kyoung Kim (UIUC), "The Antecedents of Propensity to Strike in MNCs-based in China: A Relational Perspective"

1:15-2:45 Panel 7 | HRM in MNCs in and from China: Theoretic Perspectives Chair: Chao C. Chen (Rutgers University)

- Leigh Anne Liu (Georgia State University), "Cultural Perspective"
- Mingwei Liu (Rutgers University), "Institutional Perspective"
- Fang Lee Cooke (Monash University), "Integrating Theoretic Perspectives"