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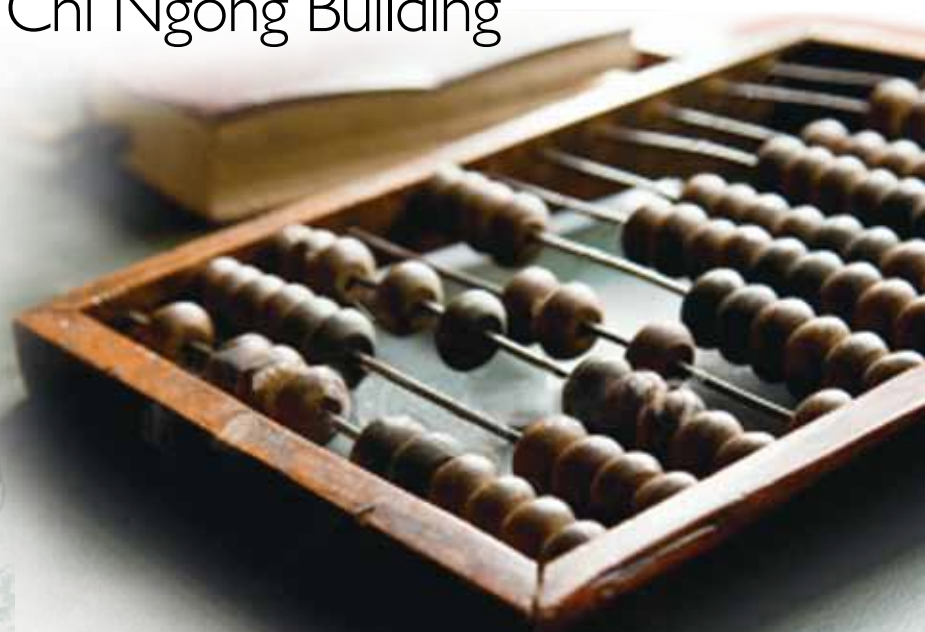
Reading Room, Tang Chi Ngong Building

Programme



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Monday

- 09:00 - 09:15      **Registration**
- 09:15 - 09:30      **Opening & Group Photo**  
**Welcome Address by Professor Angela Ki Che Leung**  
 Director, Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities & Social Sciences
- 09:30 - 13:00      Session One: Chinese Accounting & Transnational Business**  
 Moderator: Robert Gardella
- 09:30 - 10:40      Takeshi Hamashita  
 – Accounting of Chinese Business History
- 10:40 - 11:50      Hsu Tsz-fen  
 – The Analysis of Fukien Bookkeeping:  
 Case of Taiyihao (泰益號) of Nagasaki
- 11:50 - 13:00      Exhibition Tour of “Hong Kong Chinese Business:  
 History and Documents” at HKU Main Library**
- 13:00 - 14:15      Lunch Break
- 14:15 - 17:45      Session Two: Business Ownership & British Commercial Law**  
 Moderator: Ho Kwong-shing
- 14:15 - 15:25      Lai Chi-kong  
 – The Business Practices of the Zhongshan  
 Merchants’ Groups, 1900-1937
- 15:25 - 16:35      Chung Po-yin  
 – From *Tong* to Limited Company:  
 The Evolution of Yip Kwong Tai *Tong* (1860s – 1980s)
- 16:35 - 17:45      Tan Jinhua  
 – Partnership Investment in the Siyi Qiaoxiang Area during  
 the Republican Period: The Guan Dinglin Family  
 in Kaiping as a Case Study

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Tuesday

**09:30 - 13:00 Session Three: Hong Kong Chinese Business Networks**

Moderator: Robert Gardella

- 09:30 - 10:40 Tomoko Shiroyama  
– Institutions and Dynamics of Overseas Chinese Remittances in the Early 20th Century: The Case of Ma Xuchao and His Agency
- 10:40 - 11:50 Lee Pui-tak  
– How Money was Circulated in Hong Kong, China and North America: The Ma Tsui Chiu Networks (1900s – 1940s)
- 11:50 - 13:00 Choi Sze-hang  
– “Native” or “Foreign”? The Ambiguous Nationality of Foreign-Flagged Chinese Junks Plying between Hong Kong and Canton (1890s – 1900s)

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch Break

**14:00 - 17:30 Session Four: Merchant Family & Transnational Chinese Business**

Moderator: Dai Yifeng

- 14:00 - 15:10 Choi Chi-cheung  
– Business Instruments and Transnational Network: Kin Tye Lung and Its Associate Companies, 1900 – 1950
- 15:10 - 16:20 Ryota Ishikawa  
– The Commercial Networks of Tong Shun Tai (同順泰) in the Late Nineteenth Century
- 16:20 - 17:30 Keng-we Koh  
– From Malaya to South China: A Case Study of the Eu Yan Sang Firm Network before 1941

**17:30 - 18:00 Concluding Remarks**

Lee Pui-tak



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