

# EurasiaTrajeco

Comparison between developmental trajectories of economic institutions and business practices in Europe and Asia.



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## News



### • The 2nd Eurasia Trajeco conference held in Paris

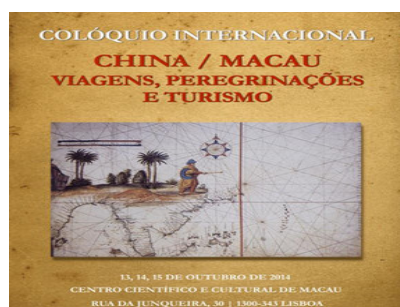
2nd Eurasia Trajeco conference: Connected Histories—Trading Networks Across the Eurasian Continent: Structures, Practices, and Socio-economic Impact was held in Paris EHESS on 28th and 29th November. More than thirty scholars from Asia and Europe participated.

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### • The 2nd international GDRI conference program

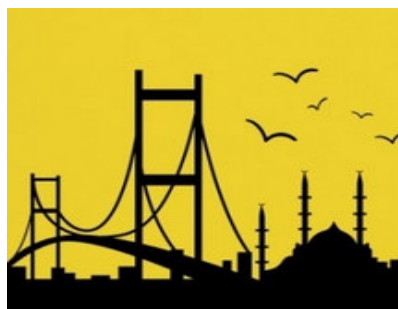
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This conference was organised by Centro Cientifico e Cultural de Macau and was held on 13-15 October, 2014.

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The Fourth Asian Historical Economics Conference was held at Bogaziçi University on 19-20 September, 2014.

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The “Consuls, facilitators for market intermediation in Europe and the Mediterranean world ” conference was held on 10-12 April, 2014.

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## Interviews

### • Professor Huang Jianhui(黄鉴辉) Talks about Piaohao (票号), Chinese Banking System, and Chinese Capitalism



Professor Huang Jianhui is a professor in Shanxi University of Finance and Economics. In 2013, Professor Huang won the Guan Gong Merchants Award and was listed as one of the most important experts in Shanxi merchants. He authored research on Shanxi Merchants in Ming and Qing Dynasties, The Retelling of the True Rishengchang, and The History of Chinese Banking System.

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### • Professor Wang Shihua talked about Anhui Merchants

Professor Wang Shihua is the former vice president of Anhui Normal University. He is currently president of the Society of Anhui History, vice president of the Chinese Society on the History of Ming Dynasty. He is the author of several books, including Collection of Anhui Merchants Information in the Ming and Qing Dynasties, A Study on the Anhui Merchants, On the Rich Anhui Merchants), and The Ten Major Merchants in China.



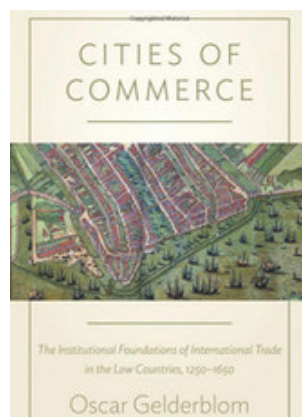
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## New book release

### • Cities of Commerce

Written by Oscar Gelderblom. Gelderblom who describes how the city fathers resisted the predatory or reckless actions of their territorial rulers, and how their nonrestrictive approach to commercial life succeed in attracting merchants from all over the world.

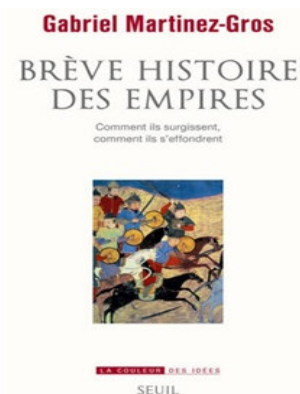
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### • Brève Histoire Des Empires

Written by Gabriel Martinez-Gros. The author transports us through centuries and continents to deliver a surprising and stimulating account of the rise and fall of the empires, from Rome to the empires of China, though Islam, the Mongols and Mughal India.

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## Recommendation

### • Pingyao, the first prototype of modern bank in China

The ancient city of Pingyao is the birthplace of the well-known Shanxi “Merchants” . In the 1940s, this ancient banking business further expanded into Japan, Singapore and even Russia. Leading and motivated by “Ri sheng chang Piaohao” , several piaohaos were created, and, therefore, Pingyao became the center of China's financial industry at that period.

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