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**POSITIONS HELD**

- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, National University of Singapore (2012–).
- Research Associate, East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore (2016–).
- Visiting Associate Professor, Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University (2014).
- Postdoctoral Research Associate, Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance, Princeton University (2011–2012).
- Journalist/Foreign Correspondent, Lianhe Zaobao, Singapore Press Holdings (1998–2005).

**EDUCATION**

- Ph.D., Economics, Northwestern University, Dec 2011.  
Committee: Joel Mokyr (Chair), David Austen-Smith, Matthias Doepke, Melissa Macauley.
- M.A., Economics, Northwestern University, Dec 2006.
- B.Sc., Economics, London School of Economics and Political Science, Aug 1998.

**RESEARCH FIELDS**

Economic History and Political Economy with a focus on East Asia.

**JOURNAL ARTICLES**

- Tuan-Hwee Sng, Pei Zhi Chia, Chen-Chieh Feng, and Yi-Chen Wang. ‘Are China’s Provincial Boundaries Misaligned?’ *Applied Geography*, Volume 98, 52–65, 2018.
- Chiu Yu Ko, Mark Koyama, and Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Unified China and Divided Europe.’ *International Economic Review*, Volume 59, Issue 1, 285–327, 2018.
- Tuan-Hwee Sng and Chiaki Moriguchi. ‘Asia’s Little Divergence: State Capacity in China and Japan before 1850.’ *Journal of Economic Growth* Volume 19, Issue 4, 439–470, 2014.
- Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Size and Dynastic Decline: The Principal-Agent Problem in Late Imperial China 1700–1850.’ *Explorations in Economic History* Volume 54, 107–127, 2014.
- Chiu Yu Ko and Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Regional Dependence and Political Centralization in Imperial China.’ *Eurasian Geography and Economics* Volume 54, Issue 5–6, 470–483, 2013.

**INVITED BOOK REVIEWS**

- ‘No Great Wall: Trade, Tariffs, and Nationalism in Republican China, 1927–1945.’ By Felix Boecking. Cambridge (MA) and London: Harvard University Asia Center, 2017. In *Journal of Economic History* (forthcoming).
- ‘Paths Toward the Modern Fiscal State: England, Japan, and China.’ By Wenkai He. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press. In *Journal of Modern History* Volume 87, Issue 1, 148–149, 2015.

- ‘Mixed Fortunes: An Economic History of China, Russia, and the West.’ By Vladimir Popov. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014. In Book Reviews, *EH.Net*, December 2014.
- ‘The Rise of Fiscal States: A Global History, 1500–1914.’ Edited by Bartolomé Yun-Casalilla and Patrick K. O’Brien. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. In *Economic History Review* Volume 67, Issue 1, 310–11, 2014.
- ‘Law and Long-Term Economic Change: A Eurasian Perspective.’ Edited by Debin Ma and Jan Luiten van Zanden. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2011. In Book Reviews, *EH.Net*, June 2012.

### WORKING PAPERS

- Mark Koyama, Chiaki Moriguchi, and Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Geopolitics and Asia’s Little Divergence: State Building in China and Japan after 1850.’ Revise and Resubmit, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*.
- Yi Lu, Mona Luan, and Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Did the Communist State Contribute to China’s Rural Growth?’ In preparation.
- Pei Li, Yi Lu, and Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Artificial Administrative Boundaries: Evidence from China.’ In preparation.

### WORK IN PROGRESS

- Tuan-Hwee Sng and Songfa Zhong. ‘Historical Violence and China’s Missing Women.’
- Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde, Mark Koyama, Youhong Lin, and Tuan-Hwee Sng. ‘Fractured-Land and the Puzzle of Political Unification and Fragmentation.’

### PRESENTATIONS AT SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, AND CONFERENCES

- 2017: CEPR-NYUAD Workshop (NYU Abu Dhabi), Australasian Cliometrics Workshop (Australian National University), Jinan University.
- 2016: University of Tokyo, South China Normal University, Academia Sinica, NBER Japan Project Meeting (Tokyo), Econometric Society Asia Meeting (Kyoto), University of Hong Kong, Beijing University, Hitotsubashi University, Waseda University.
- 2015: ASSA meetings (Boston), University of Hong Kong, World Economic History Congress (Kyoto), Chinese University of Hong Kong, Frontiers in Chinese Economic History Conference at UC Berkeley, CUHK-Fudan-Tsinghua Conference on Chinese Economy (Chinese University of Hong Kong).
- 2014: George Mason University, Osaka Workshop on Economics of Institutions and Organizations, Hitotsubashi University, Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 2013: Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, Shandong University, Academia Sinica, Singapore Economic Review Conference, Econometric Society Asia Meeting (Singapore), World Congress of Cliometrics (Honolulu).
- 2012: Conference of Hong Kong Economic Association, PKU Guanghua, Asian Historical Economics Conference (Hitotsubashi University), Econometric Society North American Summer Meeting (Northwestern University), Caltech, UC Irvine, Rutgers University.
- 2011: UC Irvine, Columbia University, George Mason University, NBER Conference on the Chinese Economy, Cliometrics Conference (University of Colorado,

Boulder), Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Asia-Pacific Economic and Business History Conference (Berkeley), World Bank, Calstate Fullerton, Williams College, National University of Singapore, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

- 2010: University of Michigan, Peking University, Midwest Economic Association Annual Meeting (Evanston).
- 2009: Economic History Association Annual Meeting (Poster; Tucson).
- 2008: National University of Singapore.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Microeconomic Analysis II (EC3101), Global Economic History (EC3377).

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- NUS FASS Faculty Teaching Excellence Award 2012–13, 2015–16.
- Australian Economic History Review Excellence in Refereeing Award 2015.
- NCGG Globalization and Governance Fellowship, Princeton University 2011.
- Kenneth Sokoloff Fellowship, Economic History Association 2009.
- Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, Northwestern University 2007.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Editorial Board, Australian Economic History Review, July 2015–.
- Referee Service (alphabetical order): American Political Science Review, Asian Journal of Social Science, Australian Economic History Review, Comparative Political Studies, Economic History Review, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics of Transition, European Economic Review, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Ming Studies, Journal of Politics, Mathematical Social Science, Oxford Economic Papers, Pacific Economic Review, Public Choice, Review of Economic Dynamics, Southern Economic Journal, Singapore Economic Review, Sociological Theory.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- (2018–2021) MOE Academic Research Fund Tier 2. Project Title: ‘North China as Part of the Inner Asian System, 10th–15th Centuries’ (Co-Principal Investigator).
- (2018–2021) MOE Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project Title: ‘Misaligned Administrative Boundaries and their Consequences: Evidence from China’ (Principal Investigator).
- (2015–2018) MOE Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project Title: ‘Unified China and Divided Europe’ (Principal Investigator).
- (2012–2015) NUS Start-up Grant. Project Title: ‘Taxation and Public Goods Provision in China and Japan before 1850.’

## **MEDIA COVERAGE**

- The Lack of Major Wars May Be Hurting Economic Growth. New York Times. June 14, 2014.

- How Come China Became One Country but Europe Became Lots of Countries? Slate.com. January 24, 2014.