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Mobility and sojourning: Brokerage in China- Africa trade

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Speaker:

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Abstract

A center for Asian and intercontinental immigration and export oriented production, Guangzhou city is at the forefront of China's global interactions. Based on ethnographic fieldwork, the presentation will examine informal governance mechanisms that coordinate the circulation of goods and capital between China and Africa. What roles do mobility and sojourning play in governing trade relations? The question will be discussed with reference to research from three fields: economics scholarship on the trade-migration nexus, ethnographic studies of informal trans-border trade, and historical accounts of long-distance trade in pre-colonial and colonial eras. These traditions point to different ways in which the mobility of people and goods are interlinked.

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