

CALL FOR PAPERS

(Second Round)

Chinese Economic Association (CEA) UK/Europe 2026 China Annual Conference

Beijing, China

12–14 June 2026

The Chinese Economic Association UK/Europe (CEA), one of the most influential academic organisations in Europe dedicated to research on the Chinese economy, has been committed since its founding in 1988 to bringing together scholars, experts, and practitioners worldwide who share an interest in China's economic development. Through sustained academic research and exchange, the CEA seeks to deepen the international community's understanding of China's economic performance and institutional transformation. The CEA 2026 China Annual Conference will be held in Beijing from 12 to 14 June 2026. The Conference aims to convene outstanding scholars and experts from around the world to explore frontier issues and industrial practices in economics in the context of intelligence, green development, and interdisciplinary integration, and to promote high-quality advancements in cross-disciplinary innovation and talent development. The Conference is co-organised by the Centre for Forecasting Science, Academy of Mathematics and Systems Science, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS); the School of Economics and Management, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (UCAS); the Paula and Gregory Chow Institute for Studies in Economics, the School of Economics, and the Wang Yanan Institute for Studies in Economics (WISE), Xiamen University; and the Academy of Innovation and Development, Central University of Finance and Economics.

Under the overarching theme “*Towards Intelligent, Green, and Convergent Economics*,” the Conference seeks to examine frontier questions, theoretical innovations, and policy practices in economics against the backdrop of a new round of technological revolution, green transition, and disciplinary convergence. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, how artificial intelligence is reshaping the research paradigm of economics, how green development is affecting resource allocation, and how multidisciplinary integration is driving industrial transformation and institutional innovation. Specific topics encompass the following:

- Artificial Intelligence, Large Language Models (LLMs), and the Transformation of the Economics Research Paradigm
- Artificial Intelligence Econometrics: Theory and Applications
- Intelligent Automation, Algorithmic Decision-Making, and Market Mechanisms
- Big Data, Machine Learning, and New Advances in Causal Inference
- Data as a Factor of Production, Platform Economy, and Digital Industrial Organisation
- Green Technological Innovation and Economic Growth
- Carbon Neutrality, Climate Policy, and Economic Impacts
- Green Finance, Climate Risk, and Asset Pricing
- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Development Economics
- Deep Integration of the Digital Economy and the Real Economy
- Modern Industrial Convergence, Platform Ecosystems, and Corporate Organisational Transformation

- Coordinated Development of Technology, Industry, and Institutions
- Innovation Ecosystems and Regional Economic Development
- Governance and Regulatory Innovation in the Digital-Intelligence Era
- Global Economic Governance, Digital Rules, and Institutional Coordination
- FinTech, Systemic Risk, and Sustainable Growth
- New Advances in Behavioural Economics, Computational Social Science, and Related Fields
- Labour Market Dynamics and Social Structural Change in the Context of Emerging Technologies

Paper Submission

The deadline for submission of full papers or abstracts is **30 April 2026**. Submissions may be in either English or Chinese. Each submission (full paper or abstract) should include the following information: paper title, names and institutional affiliations of all authors, name and email address of the presenting author, and keywords. If a submission is accepted, the abstract will be printed in the conference programme. The Organising Committee will evaluate all submissions on the basis of originality and academic contribution, and will notify presenting authors by **15 May 2026**. Each presenting author may present only one paper. Outstanding papers will be selected for awards, and the list of awardees will be announced during the Conference; award recipients will receive certificates. In addition, selected outstanding papers may, with the authors' consent, be recommended to leading Chinese and international academic journals.

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Supporting Journals

The Conference accepts submissions in both Chinese and English. Selected outstanding papers may, with the authors' consent, be recommended to supporting journals according to topic relevance and journal requirements. Supporting journals include (listed in alphabetical order):

- Applied Economics Review (《Yingyong Jingjixue Pinglun》)
- Bulletin of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (《Zhongguo Kexueyuan Yuankan》)
- China Journal of Econometrics (《Jiliang Jingjixue Bao》)
- Journal of Systems Science and Mathematical Sciences (《Xitong Kexue yu Shuxue》)
- Management Review (《Guanli Pinglun》)
- Systems Engineering — Theory & Practice (《Xitong Gongcheng Lilun yu Shijian》)
- *International Journal of Entrepreneurial Behavior and Research*
- *International Review of Finance*
- *Journal of Chinese Economic and Business Studies*
- *Journal of Digital Economy*
- *Journal of Systems Science and Information*
- *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*
- *The Innovation Informatics*

Outstanding Paper Awards

Outstanding academic papers will be selected during the Conference. The list of awardees will be announced during the conference period, and award recipients will receive certificates.

Paper Submission Link

<https://conf.xmu.edu.cn/CEA2026/>

Important Notes

1. When submitting a paper, please ensure that the author order is finalised in the author field at the time of submission. No changes will be accepted after submission. If the paper is accepted, the published information will follow the author order as it appears in the electronic manuscript submitted at the time of registration.
2. When submitting a paper, please provide complete and accurate information for all authors and verify its correctness.
3. The Annual Conference aims to provide scholars of the Chinese economy with an opportunity to present the latest research findings in the field. As a general rule, papers that have already been formally published will not be accepted.

Key Dates

- Deadline for paper/abstract submission: **30 April 2026**
- Notification of paper/abstract review outcomes: **15 May 2026**
- Deadline for registration and payment: **6 June 2026**
- On-site check-in and welcome reception: **12 June 2026**
- Conference opening ceremony and presentations: **13–14 June 2026**

Conference Fees and Registration

1. Registration: Please visit the Conference website to register: <https://conf.xmu.edu.cn/CEA2026/> Participation is also open to those who do not submit a paper.

2. Registration fees: The registration fee schedule is shown in the table below. For payment in RMB, please refer to the registration page on the Chinese-language conference website. For foreign currency payment, please contact zhukairan@ucas.ac.cn.

Participant Category	Registration Fee
Non-student participants	RMB 1,500 / £170
Students (valid student ID required)	RMB 800 / £90

3. Venue: Beijing Wuzhou Hotel (No. 8 Beichen East Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing).

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