

DA 2: Disciplinary Approaches: East Asia in Economic Science

Winter Term 2019/20

Addressees	DA 2: Disciplinary Approaches: East Asia in Economic Science is an introductory module, earmarked for the 1 st semester, of the Master of Contemporary East Asian Studies (CEAS). It is also relevant for the Master of Modern East Asian Studies (MEAS). Foreign exchange students (ERASMUS program etc.) are welcome to join. The module replaces the lectures “Introduction to the Japanese economy” and “Introduction to the Chinese Economy”.	
General Information	The module provides a basic overview of important issues of the economic development as well as contemporary economic issues of China, Japan, and Korea. Connections will be drawn to theoretical approaches explaining economic phenomena and to approaches explicitly developed for the East Asian context. A comparative view and transnational phenomena are considered where appropriate. The module is topically divided into two lectures which can be found in the LSF as:	
	The Development Issues of the Economies of East Asia	Contemporary Challenges of the Economies of East Asia
Time and Place	1 st block of the semester Japan/Korea (Prof. Pascha): Tuesdays, 16-18h in LF035 China (Profes. Dai/Taube): See Prof. Dai’s announcement (Start Japan/Korea: 22 Oct 2019 ; Start China: 24 Oct 2019)	2 nd block of the semester Japan/Korea (Prof. Pascha): Tuesdays, 16-18h in LF035 China (Profes. Dai/Taube): See Prof. Dai’s announcement (End Japan/Korea: 04 Feb 2020; End China: 06 Feb 2020)
Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The economic history of Japan before 1945 • The economic history of post-war Japan • The economic history of the Korean peninsula before the Korean War • The economic history of post-Korean War North and South Korea • Historic background of the Chinese economy before 1949 • Socialism, market system and reform in post-1949 China • The challenges of growth, equity and development • Structural features between natural endowments, cultural and path trajectories 	<p>The lecture deals with selected topics of particular importance for the East Asian economies, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Innovation • Money and finance • The firm: organization, corporate governance and networking • Environment protection • The role of national economies in the global economy • Industrial Policy • Long term reform agenda
Readings	Sources for individual topics are mentioned during classes.	
Credit	Students who successfully complete the module earn 6 ECTS points. <u><i>Splitting of the module in any way is not possible. The module can only be taken as a whole!</i></u> Grades are based on a written exam (2 hours) which takes place at the end of the semester. The exam covers topics of the entire module. Details regarding exam preparation and exam registration will be communicated during the course.	