

CALL FOR PAPERS for SPECIAL ISSUE on

China and Global Capital Accumulation: Economic, Political, Social, and Environmental Implications

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Global capital accumulation in the 21st century has increasingly become centered in China. The political economic trajectory of China has become an issue of vital importance not only to the Chinese people but also to the global economy and to political-economic developments in other countries. Indeed, many believe that we are entering a “Chinese century.” A special issue of the *Review of Radical Political Economics* will explore this topic. The following are examples of specific topics that would be welcome (in no particular order of priority).

- (1) Can China continue on its current path of development and at the current pace? What are the economic, social, political, and environmental impacts of its current development path, and what are the limits?
- (2) How does the Chinese path to development compare to the development paths being followed in India, other East Asian countries, or elsewhere?
- (3) What are the causes and consequences of China’s growing inequality of income and wealth? What are the implications of the growing divide by class, legal residency status, and urban vs. rural location for Chinese economic and political development?
- (4) What is the impact of China’s growing demand for oil and other non-renewable resources, much of which has been coming from Africa and Central Asia?
- (5) What are the implications of the imbalances in trade and capital flows between China and the United States, and more generally between China and the rest of the world?
- (6) How does the growing presence of foreign capital affect the political economy of China? How will labor and democratic forces be able to assert their interests in relation to foreign capital?
- (7) What kind of economic system has emerged in China? What modes of production are present in China and how can their social formation be characterized? Is it a form of socialism, capitalism, or something else? What are the political-economic implications of this issue?
- (8) What is the impact of China’s economic rise on the world labor movement?
- (9) What is China’s revolutionary legacy and what are its implications for future Chinese workers’ and progressive social movements?
- (10) What are the implications of China’s rapid rise for the political-economic trajectory of a global system in which the United States finds it increasingly difficult to act effectively as the hegemonic power?

We invite submissions from a variety of perspectives in political economy, including Marxian, neo-Marxian, post-Keynesian, radical institutionalist, feminist, and postmodern.

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