Asian Neighborhoods Research Group
“Mobility and Territory”

A Workshop through the Harvard-Yenching Institute
Schedule of Events
April 17-19 2009

Directed by: Michael Herzfeld (Harvard University)
Workshop Assistant: Chiara Kovarik

Friday, April 17

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm:
Wine and cheese reception in Harvard-Yenching Common Room (see attached map)
Welcome by Elizabeth Perry, Director of the Harvard-Yenching Institute
Organization and Overview – Michael Herzfeld

6:30 pm
Dinner at Tamarind Bay Restaurant, Harvard Square

Saturday, April 18

9:00 am – 10:30 am
Session 1 – Mapping Spaces
Presentations by:

Ted Bestor – Topic: The Relocation of Tsukiji Marketplace
Nick Smith – Topic: Longmei Village
Brenda Chun Liu – Topic: Interpenetration and Embeddedness: Institutional Innovations in the Settlement of a Neighborhood-based Activism in Shenzhen
Aylin Yildirim – Topic: Istanbul’s Rapid Urbanization and Informal Living Settlements

Discussion – to be led by Marco Cenzatti, with comments by Namita Dharia and Hue-Tam Ho Tai

10:30 am – 10:45 am
Break

10:45 am – 12:30 pm
Session 2 – External Comparisons: Rome from and Asian Perspective
Presentations by:
Lisa Kim Davis – Topic: Temporal and Spatial Comparisons of Territory and Mobility in Seoul and Rome

Michael Herzfeld – Topic: Imagined Territories of Identity in Rome and Bangkok

Discussion – to be led by Claudio Sopranozetti, Monica Postiglione, and Marco Cenzatti. With participation from Liu Heng, Non Arkaraprasertkul, and Vipas Prachyaporn

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm
Lunch – sandwiches and drinks will be provided

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Session 3 – Intra-Asian Comparisons
Presentations by:
   Jong-Ho Jeong – Topic: Beijing’s Migrant Settlements and Urban Development in Post-Reform Chinese Cities


   Qin Shao - Topic: The New World and Old Nightmares: Outside Capital, Inside Dealings, and Property Seizure in Shanghai

   Claudio Sopranozetti – Topic: Mobilizing Neighborhoods: Circulation and the Constitution of the Social in Bangkok’s CBD

   Discussion – to be led by Ted Bestor, and Rubie Watson, with participation by James Watson

3:00 pm-5:00 pm
Session 4 – Alternative Legalities
Presentations by:
   Paul Festa – Topic: Taipei Citizens and “Activity Neighborhoods”

   Yi-Chieh Lin – Topic: Counterfeit Goods and Markets in PRC and Taiwan

   Meg Rithmire – Topic: The Inferno is Not Burning: The Politics of Protracted Struggles Between Neighborhood and City

   Discussion – with participation by Vipas Prachyaporn

Sunday, April 19

10:00 am – 12:00
Informal, post-breakfast meeting to discuss further options and projects (Harvard-Yenching Common Room)