Urbanization and the transportation revolution are fundamentally challenging our inherited knowledge-models about Asia. Asia is shifting from rural to urban, the Himalayan barrier between China and India is rapidly becoming part of the past, while Japan, which was the first to become a largely urban society, is rapidly strengthening its ties with South Asia. This is an exciting moment for us to be engaging in cross-regional conversations and research in interdisciplinary global perspectives. Two workshops are planned for 2013-2014 as part of the Duke-UNC Global History-Asian Studies Initiative. While members of the UNC and Duke History Departments will constitute the core planning group, we welcome participation by members of all departments at the two universities and at neighboring universities.

Workshop: “Urbanization, Environmental Challenges, and Other Tectonic Shifts”

November 2, 2013
9:00am - 5:00pm
Room 569, Hamilton Hall, UNC-Chapel Hill

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Sucheta Mazumdar (Duke, History), Miles Fletcher (UNC, History) |
| 9:30-10:45: | Keynote: Andre Sorensen, University of Toronto (Scarborough)  
“Accelerated Urbanization in Asia: The Creative Destruction of Governance Institutions”  
Comment and Discussion: Chad Bryant (UNC, History) |
| 10:45-11:00: | Coffee Break                                                          |
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“Infrastructure and Urban Development: Evidence from Chinese Cities”  
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“Ecologies of Risk and the Spatialities of Production: Climate Adaptation in Surat’s Textile Industry”  
Comment and Discussion: Vasant Kaiwar (Duke, History) |
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“The Chinese Eco-City and Urbanization Planning: Case Studies of Tongzhou (Beijing), Lingang (Shanghai), and Dujiangyan (Chengdu)”  
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“Waheguru Naam Jahaz Hain(‘God’s Name is a Steamship’): Religion, Urban Milieus, and Modern Technologies of Circulation in North India.”  
Comment and Discussion: Sucheta Mazumdar |
| 4:00-4:45: | Mustafa Tuna (Duke, History and Slavic Studies)  
“Kazan: A Cosmopolitan City and Russian Muslim Intellectuals between East and West”  
Comment and Discussion: Eren Tasar (UNC, History) |

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