

**THREE Talk 23rd Nov 2007**

**The Bund, Its Importance-Past, Present and Future**

**Three Talk Panelists:**

**Peter Hibbard**

*Author of The Bund Shanghai: China Faces West*

Peter Hibbard has a background in urban planning and urban sociology, but decided to turn his attention to the development of the Chinese tourism industry in 1983. He was a visiting scholar at Hong Kong University's Centre of Asian Studies in 1985 and subsequently travelled overland from Tibet to the Burmese border. Peter then took up a position as one of the first foreign lecturers in tourism at the Beijing Institute of Tourism. From that point on he has devoted his life to researching the history of tourism and to the historical development of Shanghai.

His research continues to the present day and Peter complements this with exclusive private tours of the city. He has produced a wide range of publications and is author of the Shanghai section of Odyssey's *Beijing and Shanghai: China's Hottest Cities* and *The Bund Shanghai: China Faces West*.

**Jiang Shangzhou**

*President of China Foundation for Disabled Persons*

Jiang Shangzhou graduated from Tsinghua University, Beijing and got the bachelor degree of Electronic Engineering. Then he went to Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich for further study in Information Technology and received his M.A. and Ph.D. degree.

He once served as Vice Mayor of Sanya, Hai Nan Province, Director of Yangpu Economic Development Zone Administration and Vice Secretary-General of Shanghai Municipal People's Government. Now he is full-time committee member of Shanghai Strategy Advisory Committee, Member of Shanghai's Political Consultative, Director of Shanghai's Political Consultative, Party Member of China Disabled People's Federation and President of China Foundation for Disabled Persons

**Chen Bo**

*Deputy Head of The Foreign Economic Commission of Huangpu District Shanghai*

Chen Bo obtained M.A. degree in Economic Management and once served as Deputy Director of Office of Shanghai Huangpu People's Government. He is Deputy Head of The Foreign Economic Commission of Huangpu District Shanghai

**Elijah Frankle Widjaja**

*Deputy Chairman of Sinar Mas Group*

Mr. Elijah Frankle Widjaja is the Deputy Chairman of Sinar Mas Group. The main subsidiaries of Sinar Mas Group are APP, AFP, GAR and Bank Indonesia, these four companies are focusing on financial, real estate, food, agriculture and hotel industries. Mr. Widjaja is mainly in charge for the Sinar Mas Group's overseas investments in Singapore, Malaysia, USA and China. Mr. Elijah Widjaja is also the President of AFP and GAR, in charge of its real estate and hotel business in Singapore and China.

Mr. Elijah Widjaja spent many years in the USA where he studied at the University of California, Berkeley, USA. He obtained a Bachelor Degree in Science (Industrial Engineering and Operational Research) in 1978. Mr. Elijah Widjaja has over 27 years operational and management experiences in Sinar Mas Group's agriculture, food, real estate and hotel businesses.

## **Lyndon Neri**

*Founding Partner of NHDRO*

Lyndon Neri is a Founding Partner of NHDRO, an inter-disciplinary international architectural design practice based in Shanghai, China. Mr. Neri received a Master of Architecture at Harvard University and a Bachelor of Architecture at the University of California at Berkeley. Prior to starting his own practice with partner Rossana Hu, he was the Director for Projects in Asia for Michael Graves & Associates in Princeton for over 10 years, and also worked in New York City for Architrope and Steven Harris & Associates.

Other than an architectural professional, Mr. Neri has been actively involved in teaching and researching privately-funded projects. He served as an active visiting critic for design schools in the U.S. such as Princeton University, Harvard Graduate School of Design, University of California at Berkeley, and Syracuse University. In 2006, he was selected by I.D. Magazine as one of the 40 designers globally who deserve more attention in the “I.D. Top 40 under 40.” He is also the founder of Design Republic, a Founding Panel Member of 100% Design, a Board Member of Shanghai Community Center, a Board Member of House of Three – a lifestyle investment house – and a Regional Advisor for The Atlas of 21st Century Architecture to be published by Phaidon Press.

Under Michael Graves, Mr. Neri was the Associate-in-Charge of “Three on the Bund,” a project which recently received global accolade from international design and culinary press. Aside from “Three on the Bund,” Mr. Neri was also involved in many of Michael Graves’s significant projects in the U.S., Europe, and Asia such as The International Finance Corporation in Washington D.C., the 30-story Impala Luxury Residential Tower in New York City, the 40-story residential Ortigas tower in Manila, the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Dong Hwa Mixed-use Tower in Seoul, the Singapore National Library Competition, the 425 Fifth Avenue residential tower, and various high-end private residences in the U.S.

At NHDRO he is currently working as the Partner-in-Charge on the Legation Quarter, the 2000 square-meter Courtyard Restaurant, and the Li’s Residence. Recently-completed projects include Y+ Yoga and Wellness Center, Slice Boutique Grocery, Muse Club, the Design Republic flagship retail store and office, and China House at The Oriental, Bangkok.

**Prof. Shen Dingli**

*Director of the Center for American Studies, Fudan University*

*Executive Vice Dean of the Institute of International Affairs, Fudan University*

Shen Dingli, a physicist by training, is a professor of international relations at Fudan University. He is the Executive Dean of Fudan University's Institute of International Studies, and Director of Center for American Studies. He is also the founder and director of China's first non-government-based Program on Arms Control and Regional Security at Fudan University.

Dr. Shen teaches at Fudan University graduate courses "Nonproliferation and International Security", "Science/Technology and National Security", as well as doctoral courses "International Security: Theory and Practice", and "Regional Security". He co-teaches undergraduate courses, "China and the World", and "Contemporary America", at Fudan. He has taught China's foreign policies at Colorado College since 2002.

His research areas cover China-U.S. security relationship, nuclear arms control and disarmament, nuclear weapons policy of the United States and China, regional nonproliferation issues concerning South Asia, Northeast Asia and Middle East, test ban, missile defense, export control, as well as China's foreign and defense policies. He has co-edited "China's Development Report", "China and South Asian Relations in the 1990s", "Conservatism and American Foreign Policy", "Realism and U.S. Foreign Policy" and published over 500 articles and papers, 1/2 of which abroad in a dozen foreign languages. In addition, he has published over 20 papers in physics in China and abroad.

As a key independent academic voice in China in arms control and nonproliferation, Dr. Shen has been invited to numerous conferences at home and abroad. Also, among three dozens of international conferences he has organized, The Shanghai Dialogue (or Shanghai Initiative), a high level track-II series of meetings since 1994 involving China, India, Pakistan and the United States, has been viewed as one of the most important multilateral unofficial talks on nuclear arms control and nonproliferation involving these countries.

Dr. Shen is a member of IISS and a number of other international organizations. He is on the editorial board of Contemporary Asia-Pacific Studies (China), South Asia Studies (China), Fudan Journal Social Sciences Edition (China), Journal of Contemporary China (U.S.), Journal of East Asian Studies (ROK/Japan/Taiwan), IRI Journal (ROK), INESAP Information Bulletin (Germany), and Nonproliferation Literature Review (U.S.), as well as on the international advisory board of Regional Studies (Pakistan). Dr. Shen also provides consulting service to China's MFA, MOFCOM etc. In January 2002 he was invited by Secretary General of the United Nations Kofi Annan to advise SG of the strategy panning for his second term, as the sole Chinese out of 40 persons chosen worldwide.

Dr. Shen was born in 1961. He received his Ph.D. in physics in 1989 from Fudan University and did his post-doc in arms control at Princeton University from 1989-1991. In 1997, he was awarded an Eisenhower Fellowship. From 1997-2000, he served as Fudan University's Director of Office of International Programs and Deputy Director of Office of Development and Research.