Agglomeration Economies, Past and Present

October 19 – 20, 2017

Agenda

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

Evening  Meet in Hotel Santa Fe bar for drinks, introductions, updates on non-SRP activities

Thursday, October 19, 2017: Collins Conference Room

7:45am  Hotel Santa Fe shuttle departs hotel to Santa Fe Institute
8:00  Updates (breakfast on own)
   •  Follow ups to Rome meeting
   •  Scott & Zach—Oaxaca, WY, China projects
   •  Jose—H/G paper
   •  Jack & Scott—Infrastructure results; Roman road networks, area scaling, land values?
   •  Jack—upcoming travel and presentations

12:00pm  Lunch
1:00  Taking stock
   •  Mike, Jose—recent travel and presentations
   •  What have we learned; what are the questions we are tackling; what are the questions we want to tackle?
   •  Connecting SST to HBE, EGT?
   •  What to do about the BAM axis?
   •  Paper for Urban Affairs—policy relevance?

3:00  Tea
3:30  Continue discussion

•  Priorities for future papers
  o  expand the range of elements of the theory that apply to the ancient world
  o  expand the range of proxies archaeologists can use to investigate these processes
  o  expand the theory through applications to contexts that are more empirically tractable using archaeology
expand the theory through applications to contexts where modern-type scaling does not occur
- connect SST to topics of traditional interest in archaeology

5:00 Hotel Santa Fe Shuttle departs Santa Fe Institute back to hotel
6:30 Dinner at Joseph’s Bistro, 428 Agua Fria Street, 505 982-1272.

Friday, October 20, 2017: Collins Conference Room

7:45am Hotel Santa Fe shuttle departs hotel to Santa Fe Institute
8:00 Future Directions (Breakfast on own)
  - Jose—project on the transition to sedentism
  - San and Australian settlements
  - Jack—agglomeration in the long run
  - Fundraising efforts (ASU-SFI, British Academy)
  - Working with Hamilton & Walker?
  - Engaging with Jeff Frieden and other economists: how our approach is positioned with regard to the approach in other disciplines

12:00pm Lunch
1:00 Continue
  - Summary report for ASU-SFI
3:00 Adjourn (Luis departs)

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