

BRI is still a success story



China is about to become the economic global power number one! It is (co-)own-

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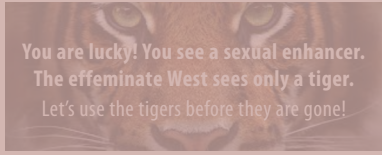
railroads, motorways). Many countries are tributary to China. German Chancellor

Olaf Scholz had to commit to distributing his next new year's address via TikTok.



Kick it like Xi!
Thanks to Xi Jinping, China will become a soccer nation and win the 2026 FIFA World Cup hosted by Canada, Mexico and the United States. China's tactics: silk passes instead of banana crosses.

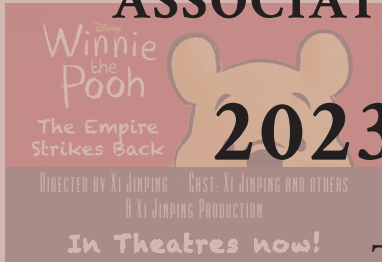
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Chinese Astrology

Today: the **Snake**, the sign of our Paramount Leader Xi Jinping
The **Snake** is clever, cunning and mysterious. It fits with **Ox** (e.g. Yevgheny Prigozhin) and **Dragon** (e.g. Vladimir Putin), on the other hand there is always trouble with **Pig** (e.g. Tenzin Gyatso) and **Monkey** (e.g. Tsai Ing-wen).

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MAIL FROM WAGNER

Dear Vladimir Putin,
You think I'm in Belarus. But it is unbearable with this Lukashenko - you know what I'm talking about. That's why I'm going to board an aircraft and fly to my new friend, for whom I may soon conquer something: this little naughty island, which must not be named ...
Sincerely (on the way to Beijing),

Your Y. V. Prigozhin



This was the last E-mail
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Yevgheni Prigozhin an E-mail:
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Xi Jinping launches

Global Development Initiative



Xi at the UN General Assembly, Sep. 21, 2021



Building on the Belt and Road Initiative and the Global Development Initiative for Stronger Healthier Global Development! No one can win this: at the United Nations General Assembly, Xi Jinping surprised the not fully rested audience with his new initiative and shortly



August 22-24, 2023 in South Africa: Where is Putin? He has recently become afraid of flying (bombs on board?) and of cold steel around his wrists, so he preferred to participate via video.

15th BRICS Summit shakes up the bipolar world order

Xi Jinping and the other leaders of the larger emerging countries are making the world not old. The days are over when the country could pose as the strongest in the world and, by establishing the U.S. dollar as its reserve currency, make the world work for them. The moral club of human rights that the West loves to swing so much will soon no longer be seen so often. With Argentina (we like beef!), Egypt (we like old stones), Ethiopia (we like coffee!), Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (we like oil), and Iran (sorry, we don't like religion!), six more experts in repressive harmony will join the BRICS group (then called BRICS+).

Global Security Initiative and Global Civilization Initiative

Another two significant initiatives presented by Xi Jinping at the Boao Forum on April 21, 2023, and to ensure that no High-Level Dialogue na's "internal affairs".

Thursday-Saturday, 12-14 October 2023
University of Duisburg-Essen



Friendship without limits between master and servant.

Xi Jinping knows how to stop the Ukraine war

Yes, it is so simple! Just follow the instructions of the ingenious 12-point plan published in February 2023 by Xi Jinping and negotiate until the U.S.A. and Ukraine stop threatening Russia.

The Lotto Xi Lucky Cookie Numbers 2023
3 terms · 7 delicacies · 8 % growth · 9 dashes · 34 provinces



Open-Minded



Thursday, October 12, 2023 (arrival day)

17:00–18:00 Evening Keynote

Steve Chan *University of Colorado, Boulder*

Why Thucydides' Trap Misinforms Sino-American Relations

18:30 Welcome Dinner

Friday, October 13, 2023

9:00–10:00 Panel I: China's Global Influence

Discussant: **James Paradise**

Kent Freeze

Retreat and Recalibration in PRC Outward Aid and Investment

Süha Atatüre

International Relations Concepts and the PRC's Position on the Global Order

Lu Lucie & Dai Xinyuan

Beyond Liberal Narratives: Exploring Multi-dimensional Human Rights in China's Universal Periodic Reviews and Global South's Alignments

10:00–11:00 Panel II: International Authors' Workshop Panel I: China's Rise and the Liberal World Order

Discussant: **Nele Noesselt**

Wei Liang

Re-embedded Liberalism to Accommodate China's Rise:
An Examination of China's Proposals for the WTO Reform

Yi Edward Yang

Regime Security, Institutional Structure, and China's Approach to
Global Governance Reform

Margaret M. Pearson & Pedro Henrique Abelin

Trade Ties and Legislators' Attitudes Toward China: An Early Exploration
with Evidence from Brazil

11:00–11:15 Break

11:15–12:15 Keynote

Brantly Womack *University of Virginia*

Indo-Pacific v. Pacific Asia: Politics and Economics in Asia's Future

12:15–13:30 Lunch (buffet/catering)



13:45-14:45 Panel III: China, US, EU

Discussant: **Wei Liang**

Guo Baogang

The 118th Congress of the United States and the U.S.-China Relations

Markus Taube

Economic Statecraft as a Policy Instrument in China-European Relations

Jing Ge

Power Dynamics: The Technology Rivalry between the U.S. and China

14:45-15:00 Break

15:00-16:15 Panel IV: Domestic Politics

Discussant: **Saskia Hieber**

Markus Taube & Jörn-Carsten Gottwald

Politics of Regulation and Innovation in China: What happened to the Chinese Regulatory State?

Wai Fong Chau

The Costs of Political Life: Emigration of the Chinese Middle Class after Leadership Change

Yue Guan

Unpacking COVID-19 Vaccination Uptake in China: Voluntary Choices, Mobilized Participation, and Preferences for Western Vaccines

Dan Chen

Standup Comedy in China: Discursive Boundaries and the Cultural Power of Authenticity

16:15-18:15 Panel V: International Authors' Workshop Panel II: China's Rise and the Liberal World Order

Discussant: **Brantly Womack**

Steve Chan & Hu Weixing

Reflections on China, Rising States, and the Liberal World Order

Pu Xiaoyu

Rethinking China's Role Choices in the Shifting World Order

Nele Noesselt

Green Power Dreams: Status Claims and Recognition Games in Times of Global Polarization

DFG Team Project (presenting author: **Tanja Eckstein**)

The Definition of 'Great Power' in Chinese, Russian, and the US Domestic Debates

Guo Baogang

Assessing the Rising Dragon and the Changing World Power Constellation: The Needs for a New Paradigm

18:30 Conference dinner



Saturday, October 14, 2023

9:00–10:00 **Panel VI: China & Africa & Latin America**

Discussant: **Benjamin Creutzfeldt**

Cao Ruixing & Nele Noesselt

Political Settlement, Central-Local Relations, and China's Overseas Operation: The Case of Ethiopia

Georg Lammich

Lost in Transfer – Tanzania's Interpretation of China's foreign policy discourse

Ana Soliz de Stange

China's Cooperation in the Satellite Sector in Latin America: Implications for the United States?

10:00–10:45 **Special panelists meeting – preparations for finalizing the joint special issue**

10:45–11:00 Break

11:00–12:00 **Keynote**

Rosemary Foot *University of Oxford*

Reining in a Liberal UN: China, Power Shifts, and the UN's Peace and Security Pillar

12:00–13:15 Lunch

13:30–14:45 **Panel VII: Governing the Green Transition in China: Multiple Stakeholders and Policy Changes**

Discussants: **Dan Chen**

Pan Tianrong

What Makes Trans-Provincial Water Cooperation Possible in China: A Qualitative Comparative Analysis of Ecological Compensation Cases

Xie Haiyu

New Energy Policy Acceleration in Chinese Provinces: Institution and Actors' Interaction

Sau Kan Chan

Policy Advocacy and Patterns of Policy Change: Comparing the Information Disclosure Reform in Environmental Governance with that in Public Health Governance in China

Boy Lüthje & Wei Zhao & Danielle Wu

Geopolitics and the Emerging Production Networks in the New Energy Vehicle Industry in China

James F. Paradise

Overcoming Climate Investment Gaps: Activities in China

Tea & Coffee & Farewell

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