THE FIFTH FORUM ON THE ‘NEW SILK ROAD’ AND SINO-EUROPEAN COOPERATION

‘NEW SILK ROAD’, NEW WORLD ORDER?
REGIONAL AND GLOBAL DYNAMICS OF CHINA’S CONNECTIVITY INITIATIVE

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China’s investment along the ‘New Silk Road’ corridors has refueled old and new threat perceptions. Neorealist scholars predict a substitution of the liberal international order by a “Chinese” model of development. This debate, however, is often based on a rather superficial reading and a general misunderstanding of the drivers and triggers of China’s BRI. Bringing together leading international scholars from the fields of economics and political science, the workshop will assess the invisible dimensions of China’s BRI by opening the black box of China’s political and economic domestic system settings. It will pay special attention to the perspectives on China’s BRI from Eastern and Central Europe and also discuss potential challenges as well as cooperation opportunities for Europe in the next decades to come.

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**REGISTRATION**

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PROGRAM

15.45  Registration

16:00  Welcome
   Prof. Dr. Yuan Li  IN-EAST, University of Duisburg-Essen
   Prof. Dr. Markus Taube  IN-EAST, University of Duisburg-Essen
   Susanne Löhr  Confucius Institute Metropolis Ruhr

16:10  Panel I  Geostrategic Assessment of China’s Belt and Road Initiative
   Moderator: Prof. Dr. Dr. Nele Noesselt  IN-EAST, University of Duisburg-Essen
   Participants:
   Prof. Dr. Joanna Ciesielska-Klikowska  University of Łódź
   Dr. Saskia Hieber  Politische Akademie Tutzing
   Matthias Kamp  Neue Zürcher Zeitung
   Prof. Dr. Christof Hartmann  University of Duisburg-Essen

17:50  Coffee break

18:10  Panel II  Economic Assessment: Winners and Losers of the ‘New Silk Road’
   Moderator: Prof. Dr. Markus Taube  IN-EAST
   Participants:
   Prof. Dr. Jeremy Garlick  University of Economics Prague
   Prof. Dr. Karen Jackson  University of Westminster
   Prof. Dr. Jean-François Di Meglio  Asia Centre, Paris
   Prof. Dr. Yang Laike  East China Normal University, Shanghai

19:50  Concluding Words
   Prof. Dr. Dr. Nele Noesselt  IN-EAST

20:00  Networking Buffet
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