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Education

- 2022 **PhD**, The Australian National University, Australia
Dissertation Title: *Converging Interests, Differing Motives: Understanding and Explaining China-Turkey Relations (2002-2018)*
- 2015 **Master of Asia Pacific Studies (Merit)**, The Australian National University, Australia
- 2010 **Bachelor of Business (Honours)**, University of Tasmania, Australia
Thesis Title: *“Changes in the Level of Environmental Disclosures in Annual Reports After Major Environmental Incidents: A Cross-Country Comparison.”*

Publications

Book

1. **Guo, Xiaoli** (forthcoming 2026). *China-Türkiye Relations: Unravelling the Puzzle*. London: Routledge. 276pp. ISBN 9781041036753.
<https://www.routledge.com/China-Turkiye-Relations-Unravelling-the-Puzzle/Guo/p/book/9781041036753>

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

1. Loke, Beverley, and **Guo, Xiaoli** (2025), Journal article “China’s Coalition-Building in the Indo-Pacific: Strategies of Connectivity and Association”, *Australian Journal of International Affairs* (Special Issue), DOI: [10.1080/10357718.2025.2471351](https://doi.org/10.1080/10357718.2025.2471351).
2. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2025), Journal article “Revisiting IR Theory Through a China-Turkey Bilateral Case Study: A Call for Adaptive Integrative Approaches”, *Asian Review of Political Economy* (Special Issue), DOI: [10.1007/s44216-025-00049-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s44216-025-00049-5).
3. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2020), Journal article “Turkey’s International Humanitarian Assistance during the AKP Era: Key Actors, Concepts and Motivations”, *Asian Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies*, Issue 1, 2020, DOI:[10.1080/25765949.2020.1728974](https://doi.org/10.1080/25765949.2020.1728974)
4. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2017), Journal article “Is Turkey Acting Fairly? --Turkey’s Choice in T-LORAMIDS”, *Asian Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies*, Issue 2, 2017; [Trans. into Arabic by Mahjoub Abbas et al. and published in *Turkey: Issues and Insights* (تركيا: قضايا ورؤى 2018.)], DOI: [10.1080/25765949.2017.12023302](https://doi.org/10.1080/25765949.2017.12023302)

Book reviews

Guo, Xiaoli (Submitted). Review of *Odd Arne Westad and Chen Jian, The Great Transformation: China's Road from Revolution to Reform*. New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 2024, 408pp., \$38.00 e-book. *Europe-Asia Studies*.

GUO, Xiaoli (2025), Book review of Jin, Keyu, *The New China Playbook. Beyond Socialism and Capitalism*. London: Swift Press, 2023, 368pp., £25.00 h/b. *Europe-Asia Studies*, 77(8), October 2025. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09668136.2025.2552071>.

Other Publications

1. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2024), “The Global Evolution of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation,” *Lowy Institute*, 12 July.
2. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2023), “Does China have the Chops to Play Peacemaker in the Russia– Ukraine Conflict?,” *East Asia Forum*, 8 June.
3. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2023), “Explaining China’s Central Asia Pivot,” *Lowy Institute*, 26 May.
4. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2022), “China Caught Between a Rock and a Hard Place on Ukraine,” *East Asia Forum*, 8 April.
5. **GUO, Xiaoli** (2022), “文化、历史、民族之外，土耳其力挺阿塞拜疆还因更现实的利益”，澎湃；In Addition to Culture, History, and Ethnicity, the Realistic Concerns Lies Behind Turkish Support for Azerbaijan, *The Paper*, 30 September.
6. **GUO, Xiaoli** and FIDAN, Giray (2018), “China’s Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and Turkey’s Middle Corridor: ‘Win-Win Cooperation’?” *Middle East Institute*. 26 June.

Work In Progress

1. Article: Relational Flexibility and Adaptability: Explaining China’s Foreign Policy through Relational Practice
2. Article: China’s Relational Practice with Neighbours and the Global South

Conference and Seminars

1. “Flexibility as Emergent Property: China and the Dynamics of Adaptive Order”, presented at the Association of Chinese Political Studies (ACPS) Annual Conference 2025, King’s College, London, November 20, 2025.
2. “Coalition-Building and the Politics of Hegemonic Ordering in the Indo-Pacific”, presented at the 2025 RSIS Workshop, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, 10-11 February 2025.
3. “Beyond Bilateral Ties: Unpacking China's Multifaceted Coalition Strategies”, presented at the 2024 ANU China in the World Forum (CIW), The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 29 August 2024.

4. “Navigating the Trilemma of Progress: China's Technological Advancement Strategy and its Economic Implications”, presented at the 14th Australian International Political Economy Network (AIPEN) workshop, The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 8 February 2024.
5. “China’s Westward Policy (西进政策): Navigating Between Economic Aspirations and Geopolitical Power Dynamics in a Changing Landscape”, presented at the seminar, Australian Centre on China in the World (CIW), The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 19 October 2023.
6. “Beyond Geopolitics: Unravelling China's BRI and Multifaceted Engagement in Central Asia”, presented at the conference The Middle East and Central Asia: Panel Discussion: Central Asia Update 2023: Dealing with the War in Ukraine, Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 28 September 2023.
7. Discussant at the conference Breaking Boundaries: Chinese Companies Abroad, Australian Centre on China in the World (CIW), The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 29-30 June 2023.
8. “Historical perspective: China-Turkey Relations”, presented at the workshop, Gazi University, Ankara, Turkey. 20 October 2017.
9. “Exploring the relationship between China and Turkey 2002-2015”, presented at the workshop, Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, The Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, 5 December 2016.
10. “Is Turkey Acting Fairly? --Turkey’s Choice in T-LORAMIDs”, presented at the conference The 5th International Forum on Asia and the Middle East—A Global Perspective of the Middle East Governance, The Middle East Studies Institute at Shanghai International Studies University, Shanghai, China, 24-25 September 2016.

Teaching experience

1. International Relations Theory
2. Chinese Foreign and Security Policy
3. Research and Writing in Political Science
4. Introduction to International Relations: Contemporary Global Issues
5. Foreign Policy Analysis
6. Qualitative Methods in Political Science Research

Other Professional Activities

Reviewer, East Asia Forum