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SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

RETHINKING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN AN AGE OF UNCERTAINTY

21 November 2026 (Saturday)

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Second International Conference on
Rethinking International Relations in an Age of Uncertainty
21 November, 2026 (Saturday)
Belt and Road Research Institute, Hong Kong Chu Hai College, Hong Kong, China.

Conference Programme

Second International Conference on Rethinking International Relations in an Age of Uncertainty
21 November 2026, Hong Kong

Venue: Hong Kong Chu Hai College, 80 Castle Peak Road, Castle Peak Bay, Tuen Mun

Time (HKT)	Session	Details
8:15 – 8:50(HKT)	**Registration**	**Main Lobby (outside Hall 5)**
9: 00- 9:15 (HKT)	**Opening Remarks** **Venue: Hall 5**	**Ms. Jane Zhang,** President, Hong Kong Chu Hai College **Prof. Thomas CHAN Man-Hung,** Director, Belt and Road Research Institute, Hong Kong Chu Hai College **Dr. Zeynab FARHADI,** Conference Chair, Assistant Professor, Belt and Road Research Institute, Hong Kong Chu Hai College
9:15 AM -12 PM (HKT)	**Keynote Addresses** **Venue: Hall 5**	**Chair: Mr. Joseph CHAN** Chairman, Silk Road Economic Development Research Center, Hong Kong **Dr. Eden Y. Woon** President of the American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong **Topic**: US-China Relations—A Historical Context: How We Got Here

		Mr. Charles Chang Managing Director, Greater China Country Lead, Corporates, S&P Global Ratings **Topic**: Megatrends Ahead – Gold, China Inc., And Global South **Dr. Younes Abouyoub** Director of the Governance and State-Building and Conflict Prevention Division, United Nations **Topic**: History Has Not Ended: From Liberal Order to Global Dis-order: Can Multilateralism Survive the Age of Tumults? **Prof. Dr. Alam Saleh** Honorary Senior Lecturer in Politics and International Relations (Iran and the Middle East), National University of Australia **Topic**: From American Hegemony to Deep Pluralism: Rethinking World Order in an Age of Uncertainty **Prof. Dr. Oleksandr Pidchosa** Associate Professor of the Belt and Road Research Institute, Hong Kong Chu Hai College. **Topic**: Sustaining a Fragile Balance in the World System in an Age of Polycrisis: Prospects and Limits **Q&A Session** **Appreciation and Photo Taking**
12-13 PM(HK)	**Lunch Break (College Canteen, First Floor)**	

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Session 1: 13:00–15:30
Chair: Dr. Christian Ploberger
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Host: Dr. Zeynab Farhadi
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Order	Presenter's Name	Paper Title	Institutional Affiliation	Country
1	Roshan Kulatunga, Hei Sing Tso	Military Wisdom in a Multipolar World: Convergences and Divergences between Eastern and Western Strategic Thought #21	Indo-Pacific Study Centre, Guiguzi Strategem Learning.	Australia/Hong Kong/Sri Lanka
2	Christopher Tong	Strategic Autonomy in a Changing Eurasia: Mongolia and the Diplomatic Space of Smaller States #22	University of Maryland, Baltimore County	United States
3	Nishant Upadhyay	Historicizing Uncertainty: Political Authority and the Temporal Foundations of International Order #34	Tsinghua Institute for Advanced Studies (TIAS) in Humanities and Social Science	China/India
4	Long Cui, FRSA	Equal Status, Unequal Influence: Non-Arctic Asian States and Functional Multipolarity in Arctic Governance #97	Higher School of International Relations, Peter the Great St. Petersburg Polytechnic University	Russia
5	Meng Shu	Principled Flexibility: China's Strategic Narrative and Voting Behaviour on Palestine at the UNSC in a Multipolar Era #99	Shanghai International Studies University	China
6	Aparna Divya	Competing Visions of Multipolarity: India and China #68	Fudan university	China

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7	Emilian Kavalski	Provincialzing Multipolarity: Platformized Order, Sovereignty Inversion, and the Ontology of Global Order in an Age of Uncertainty #41	Tampere University	Finland
8	Tran Minh Duc	The Rise of Vietnam in Great Power Competition: Historical Perspectives and Grand Strategic Adaptation #25	Gia Dinh University	Vietnam
9	George Lambie	International Political Economy: A complementary extension for International Relations Theory in a globalised world? #47	Technical University of Dresden	Germany
Discussion and Q&A Session				

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1	Mengdie Zhou	Long United Must Divide: The Chinese Conception of Multipolarity through a Dialectic of Shi #49	School of International Relations, Sun Yat-sen University	China
2	Julien Paret	Multipolarity from Below: Corporate Sovereignty and the Fragmentation of the International Order #61	Alliance University	France/India
3	Christian Ploberger	Changing International Order and its Implications for Global Cooperation, like BRICS and G20 #28	Rajamangala University of Technology Tawan-ok, Bangkok	Thailand
4	Mahesh Chougule	Beyond National Welfare States: Migration, Social Protection and Human Security in an Uncertain Asia: The ASEAN Context #130	Thammasat University	Thailand
5	Yiheng Wu	Geopolitical Centrality without Polarity: Poland and Power Conversion in European Security after 2022 #107	University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
6	Aman Bora	Beyond Unipolar Hegemony: Strategic Autonomy and Multilateral Hedging in the Wake of Ukraine, Gaza, and Iran #85	Department of Political Science, SSJDWSSS Government PG College, Ranikhet, SSJ University, Almora	India

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7	Ruchi Tiwari	Geographical Indications and the Politics of Cultural Trade under Viksit Bharat #116	Parul University	India
8	Ziyoda Kobilbekova	From Rousseau's General Will to Hitler's Volksgemeinschaft and Locke's Legacy in a Multipolar World: Philosophical Roots of 20th-Century Power Shifts and Their Enduring Impact on Global Order #23	New Uzbekistan University	Uzbekistan
9	Layachi Zemmouri Mounira Amiar	Competing for Influence in North Africa: U.S. Cultural Exchange Programs in Algeria in an Era of Multipolarity #56	University of 8 May 1945 Guelma, University of Djilali Liabes Sidi Bel Abbès	Algeria
10	Nirgun Rushi, Sejal Rushi, Ketan Desai, Rajendra Parikh	India's Strategic Autonomy in the BRI Era: India's Alternative Connectivity Initiatives and the Emergence of a Multipolar World Order #125	Parul Institute of Law, Parul University	India
11	Muhammad Tahir Rashid	Rethinking Global Order in an Age of Uncertainty: The Rise of China, Decline of Unipolarity and the Emergence of Multipolarity #150	FAST NUCES, Lahore	Pakistan
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Discussant: Dr. Debora Malito
Host: Dr. Haytham Mouzahem

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1	Thi Nhu Quynh Quach	Educational Soft Power and Elite Agency in a Competitive International System: Vietnamese Elites' Interpretations of Chinese and American Educational Experiences #33	University of Lincoln	United Kingdom/Vietnam
2	Debora Malito	Complex Interchange: Global South and Sino-US strategic competition #146	Independent Researcher	China
3	Daria Gorlova	How Rising Powers Turn International Stigmatization into Authoritarian Consolidation #67	City University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
4	Zoltán Páldi	The Evolution and Prospects of the EU ASEAN Dialogue Partnership #140	Ludovika University of Public Service Doctoral School of Public	Hungary/Hong Kong
5	Andreas Tirtakusuma	The Hidden Power of Penal Jurisprudence in the International System #110	University of Pancasila	Indonesia
6	Ajinas Arakkal Muhammad	China's strategic engagements at the regional level: From economic integration to structural power #103	University of Calicut, Kerala	India

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7	Uzma Naz	Multipolarity and the Future of Multilateral Governance: Power Redistribution and Institutional Adaptation in an Uncertain Global Order #119	Minhaj University Lahore, Punjab	Pakistan
8	Ketan Desai Subair Kalathil	Global Hegemony, Emerging Powers and the Transformation of International Law #120	Parul University	India
9	Saad Abdi	Diplomatic Relations between Taiwan and Somaliland and the China Factor in Somalia (2020–2024) #136	Global Africa Diaspora Transformation Strategy (GADTS)	Kenya
10	Ricardo Lopes Kotz	How Green Is China's Green Transition? Lithium, EVs, and the Belt and Road Investments in South America #118	City University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
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1	Remya P K	The Swing Pole of Multipolarity: India's Dual Identity as a Western Ally and Voice of the Global South. #5	Independent Researcher	India
2	Shady Ibrahim	Selective Neutrality at Sea: Reading China's Red Sea Calculus in a Fragmenting Global Order #102	Senior Research Associate, Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University at (CIGA)	Türkiye
3	Ming Tsun Chau	Actions Speak Louder Than Words? Reassurance Signaling and Philippine Assertiveness in the South China Sea #122	University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
4	Maiwand Safi	China's Strategic Engagement with Taliban-Led Afghanistan #88	South Asian University	India/Afghanistan
5	Karori Singh	West Asia in Turmoil: Search for KSA Pivot Security and Development Architecture #57	South Asia Studies Centre, University of Rajasthan	India
6	Nikhil Biswas	Decoding Syria-Russia Relations: From Cold War Allies to a Post-Assad Order #65	Jawaharlal Nehru University	India

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7	Remya R	Reconceptualizing Multipolarity: India-China Relations and the Transformation of the International Order#80	Mahatma Gandhi University	India
8	Sumanta Bhattacharya Bhavneet Sachdev	The Digital Belt and Road Initiative: Artificial Intelligence, Smart Infrastructure, and China's Expanding Global Influence #64	Asian International University, Manipur, India; Suresh Gyan Vihar University	India
9	Syed Mohsin	From Periphery to Pivot: Bangladesh, China–Myanmar Connectivity and the Reconfiguration of the Bay of Bengal in a Multipolar Asia #113	North South University; Bangladesh Policy Research Center	Bangladesh
10	Amit Mishra	India's strategic Leadership in the Global South: Implications in the new world order	Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath	India
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Co-Chair: Dr. Dilfuza Turaeva
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1	Juichi Inada	Examining Criticisms of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) #38	Senshu University	Japan
2	Oyewole Oyesomo, Daniel W.M Chan, Margaret Oyewole, Kazeem Akinbola	A Taxonomic Review of Perceived Drivers of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) for Global Infrastructure Development #66	Construction Management and Intelligence, Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Hong Kong/Nigeria
3	Dilfuza Turaeva, Chen Wei	How has the Belt and Road Initiative reshaped regional economic interdependence among Central Asian states? #106	Hong Kong Chu Hai College; School of Foreign Languages, Shihezi University	HongKong/China/Uzbekistan
4	Sebastian Contin Trillo-Figueroa	Why the Belt and Road Initiative Builds Influence and Global Gateway Struggles to Compete #133	University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong/Spain

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5	Farangis Kydyrbek Fatima Kukeyeva	Overcoming Landlocked Isolation: A Multi-Factor Assessment Of How The Belt And Road Initiative Helps Solve The Structural Problems Of Central Asia #151	Department of International Relations and World Economy at Al-Farabi Kazakh National University	Kazakhstan
6	Siham Zraidi	Hedging in an Age of Uncertainty: The Belt and Road Initiative and the Economic–Security Nexus in the Gulf #76	Shanghai International Studies University	China
7	Ribi Adeshokan	A New Global Silk Road? The TBP Global Commodity & Maritime Spine™: Rethinking China–Central Asia–Middle East–Africa Connectivity through Commodity, Manufacturing, Energy, Data and Industrial Development #81	TBP Global Strategist Fellowship Institute	United Kingdom
8	Rajesh Kuniyil Harimithra K S K S	New Silk Road Initiatives and India–China Relations: Strategic, Economic and Geopolitical Implications #24	Kerala university	India
9	Ashfaq Ahmed	CPEC and Technological Transformation in Pakistan Armed Forces #55	University of Sargodha	Pakistan
10	Renata Welinski Da Silva Seabra	Environmental Governance under the Belt and Road Initiative: A Precursor to a New International Environmental Regime? #31	GEBRICS - Research group of University of São Paulo	Brazil
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1	Xuejun Liu	Engagement or Involvement? Comparative Analysis of China's Subnational Government Relations in the Context of the Belt and Road Initiative #127	City University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
2	Shaimerden Chikanayev	The Role of the Belt and Road Initiative in Legal Globalization: Is There a Clash of Transnational Legal Orders on Public-Private Partnerships? #141	Chinese University of Hong Kong	Kazakhstan/Hong Kong
3	Justina Yung Oleksandr Pidchosa	Trajectory of China's Energy Collaboration with the Middle East: From the 2010s to the 15th National Five-Year Plan #148	Hong Kong Chu Hai College	Hong Kong/Ukraine
4	Carolina Fabara	Arbitrating the Green Transition: Regional Case Studies of BRI-Linked Investment in Latin America #46	Sun Yat Sen University	China/Ecuador
5	Dana Lusa, Lidija Kos-Stanisic Borna Zguric	Populist Foreign Policy of Small Island Developing States: Navigating China's Belt and Road Initiative and the EU's Global Gateway #37	Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb	Croatia
6	Prosper Malangmei	From Liberal International Order to Multipolar Order: The Belt and Road Initiative in Competing Visions of Global Governance #48	Maharaja Bodhchandra College (Manipur University)	India

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7	Minakshi Sehrawat	The Belt and Road Initiative and Connectivity in South Asia: Implications for India and Emerging Geopolitical Futures #98	Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University	India
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Panel 4. Trade Wars and Economic Decoupling Location:
Room 606, 6/F
Session 1: 13:15–15:30
Chair: Dr. Nina Hart
Co-Chair: Dr. Kashif Hasan Khan
Host: Dr. Bai Zhonghong
Mr. Syed Muhammad Fakhar Hayat and Dr. Eka Khorbaladze

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1	Danifansen Simanjuntak	Asymmetric Interdependence and Divergent Capitalism: China-US Economic Engagement in Indonesia #117	Ministry of National Development Planning	Indonesia
2	Martin Sebena, Tian He, Gary Ng	Hong Kong's Semiconductor Industry and the Limits of Sub-Sovereign Economic Statecraft #62	Hong Kong Baptist University	Hong Kong
3	Nina Hart	When reciprocity bites back?: International partnerships and the EU's turn to sustainable regionalism in investment screening #108	King's College London/Pusan National University	United Kingdom / South Korea
4	Samina Yousaf Abbasi	Trump Reshoring Strategy: Evaluating the Economic Security Paradigm in Sino-US Competition #4	Central China Normal University	China
5	Kashif Hasan Khan Bekzhan Tolybay	Rethinking Strategic Maritime Corridors in an Age of Geopolitical Uncertainty: A Recursive Governance Framework for Multipolar Currency Competition #79	Paragon International University	Cambodia
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1	Riska Sri Handayani	From Unipolarity to Multipolarity: The Role of Economics in Shifting Global Power #124	Universitas Indonesia	Indonesia
2	Wenhua Li Juntao Wang	Evolving Geopolitical Competition over Critical Minerals and Its Supply Chain Implications: A System Dynamics Approach to the Lithium Industry #135	Henan University of Technology Henan University of Animal Husbandry and Economy	China
3	Zhonghong Bai	Legal Risks and Compliance Strategies for Chinese Investment in Timor-Leste #149	Hong Kong Chu Hai College	Hong Kong
4	Eka Khorbaladze	China–Europe Trade Routes and the Geopolitics of Eurasian Connectivity: A Comparative Analysis of the Northern, Middle, and Southern Corridors #32	Hong Kong Chu Hai College	Georgia/ Hong Kong
5	Majueran Kugathasan	Reforming the Global Financial Architecture: Local Currency Trade, Monetary Sovereignty, and the Quest for a More Equitable International Order #10	Belt and Road Initiative Sri Lanka (BRISL)	Sri Lanka
6	Ashfaq Ahmed	China's Economic Growth: Threats and Challenges to Chinese Economy and Energy Security #54	University of Sargodha	Pakistan

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7	Elaheh Nourigholamizadeh	The Geopolitical Legacy of China's Securitization in Latin America Under Trump's Second Term: Transitory Shock or Permanent Shift? #8	University of Tehran	Iran
8	Xianglong FENG	Historical Comparison of Railway Development	Hong Kong Chu Hai College	Hong Kong
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Panel 6. Artificial Intelligence and Global Governance
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Session 1: 13:00–15:30
Chair: Dr. Natalia CHAPLYNSKA
Co-chair: Dr. Ka Tat Chris Lam and Dr.Mahdokht Pazoki
Discussant: Dr. Aidana Yessenova

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1	Ka Tat Chris Lam	Institutional Boundaries and Regulatory Overlaps in Cross Jurisdictional Data Governance Under Global Uncertainty #51	Department of Social Sciences, Hong Kong Metropolitan University	Hong Kong
2	Yang Jiao	Disinformation and Propaganda in the Digital Age: Assessing the Influence of Fake News on International Politics #142	Berry genomics	China
3	Natasha Chishti	Artificial Intelligence and Global Governance: Managing Ethical, Security, and Geopolitical #144	Hong Kong Chu Hai College	Hong Kong/Pakistan
4	Duy Truong Tran Thai Ngan Nguyen Thi Bich	The Role of Artificial Intelligence in China's Nuclear Force Modernization: Implications for Strategic Stability in the Asia-Pacific Region #70	Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam	Vietnam
5	Mahdokht Pazoki Fengshi Wu Deborah Barros Leal Farias	AI as a critical juncture in global governance? China, the Global South, and the Emerging Institutional Order of AI #109	University of New South Wales (UNSW)	Australia/Iran

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7	Sougand Akbarian	Language, Artificial Intelligence, and Global Governance: Rethinking Linguistic Power, Digital Diplomacy, and International Relations in an Age of Uncertainty #17	International Agriculture University, Tashkent	Uzbekistan/Iran
8	Shashank Patel	Artificial Intelligence and the Future of the International Economic Order: Rethinking Global Governance Beyond Digital Protectionism #45	University of Delhi	India
9	Beatrice De Salles	Human-Centered AI Diplomacy in an Age of Uncertainty #77	University of San Francisco	United States
10	Kasampong Pongthai	The Future of International Law in a Multipolar World: The United Nations Convention against Cybercrime as a Case Study #52	Chulalongkorn University	Thailand
11	Heba Farheen	Reimagining Global Governance through Artificial Intelligence: China's Rise and the Future of International Cooperation #36	Gangadhar Meher University	India
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Panel 5. Digital Economies and Cryptocurrencies
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1	Ilyass Zeamari	Following the Niche, Not the Product: Subcategory-Level First-Party Participation Across a Hybrid Platform's Regional Marketplaces #14	Université catholique de Louvain	Belgium
2	Natalia Chaplynska	Born-Global Expansion as a Strategy of Chinese Fintech Unicorns in the Belt and Road Space	Hong Kong Chu Hai College	Hong Kong
3	Syed Hussain	Canadian Telecommunications Industry: Market Structure, Competition, and Performance Analysis #3	Yorkville University	Canada
4	Vera Bararah Barid	Artificial Intelligence and Digital Labour Governance: Bridging the Regulatory Gap in Protecting Gig Workers' Rights in Indonesia under the Emerging Global AI Governance Framework #19	National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN)	Indonesia
5	Vithiyapathy Purushothaman	Digital Enclaves and Peripheral Accumulation: China's High-Tech Park Diplomacy in the Indian Ocean and the Political Economy of Multipolarity #128	School of Foreign Languages and International Relations	China
6	Shazia Noor	Digital Finance Tools, Cross-Border Settlement, and Economic Stability: Results from Developing Trade Routes #126	Integral University	India

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8	Bhagyashree Laxman Nimbalkar	China's e-Commerce Entrepreneurial Ecosystem: A Case Study of Taobao Villages	Jawaharlal Nehru University	India
9	Shaoyuan Wu	AI Power and the Restructuring of Strategic Competition in the Broader South China Sea Region: China, the United States, and ASEAN #35	Global AI Governance and Policy Research Center, EPINOVA LLC	China/USA
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Panel 7. The Political Economy of China's Development
Working Group of the International Initiative for Promoting Political Economy (IIPPE)
Format: in-person and online
Zoom information:
Meeting ID: 527 287 0622
Passcode: 210542
Location: Room 612, 6/F
Session 1: 13:00–15:30
Chair: Dr. Sam-Kee Cheng
Co-Chair: Dr. Mistura Salaudeen
Discussants: Dr. Peter Beattie and Dr. Attawat Assavanadda
Hosts: Ms. Maggie ZHANG Shimin, Ms. Sumbal Javed, and Mr. Peter XU Xiaoliang

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1	Mistura Salaudeen	Understanding China's Foreign Policy Strategies in Africa: Insights from Realist and Liberalist Theoretical Frameworks #6	Hong Kong Shue Yan University	Hong Kong
2	Sam-Kee Cheng	The latest stage of primitive socialist accumulation in China #90	University of Macau	Macau
3	Alessandro D'Angelo Jacopo Nicola Bergamo	A Neo-Gramscian Geopolitical Economy of China's Rise and Multipolarity at the Rare Earths Conjuncture #104	Division of Governance and Policy Science, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Universidade de Santiago de Compostela	Hong Kong/Spain
4	Peter Beattie	This Changes Everything? A Possible Future of China-U.S. Relations after Trump #100	Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)	Hong Kong

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5	Amit Ranjan Alok	Rare Earths and Grey Zones: Critical Mineral Statecraft and Environmental Security in the South China Sea #73	Jawaharlal Nehru University	India
6	Anson Mc Sinn	Beyond the Binary: Transcending the Geopolitical Straitjacket through Sino-U.S. Legal History and the 3Ws Framework #78	Independent Scholar	Hong Kong
7	Peter Herrmann	Beginning of history - Chinese Economic Polity #42	Human Rights Centre, Law School, Central South University	China
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Chair: Dr. Sam-Kee Cheng
Co-Chair: Dr. Mistura Salaudeen
Discussants: Dr. Peter Beattie and Dr. Attawat Assavanadda
Hosts: Ms. Maggie ZHANG Shimin, Ms. Sumbal Javed, Mr. Peter XU Xiaoliang

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