Domestic and External Impacts of China’s Reform and Open-up 40 Years

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The 40th Anniversary of the commencement of China’s policy of opening and reform is an occasion to take stock not just of the enormous domestic changes that have occurred since 1978 in China, but also of the impacts that these have had on Europe. In the last 40 years China has undergone a domestic transformation, at the same time its relationship with the world, including Europe, has also been transformed. Not only has China’s relationship with Europe evolved, but Europe itself had changed by the policy of reform and opening. The impact of reform and opening can be measured not just in simple terms of quantity such as GDP growth, incomes, trade, and investment flows, but also qualitatively. This workshop will discuss the domestic dimensions of opening and reform, and also how it has impacted Europe or vice versa. It will address the question not only of how reform and opening have changed China, but how it has changed Europe, and their relationship. Panels will cover domestic politics, economics, society, culture, and also their relationship with Europe.

Programme

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 11:00 Panel I. China’s Reform and the evolution of political, social and environmental issues
Chair: Dr. Duncan FREEMAN
● Prof. dr. Wei PAN, School of International Studies, Peking University
● Prof. dr. Lu ZHENG, Department of Social Development
● Prof. dr. Chun DING, Centre for European Studies, Fudan University
● Ms. Virginie ARENTES, EAST Université Libre de Bruxelles

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 13:00 Panel II. China’s Reform and Domestic Economic Development
Chair: Prof. dr. SONG Xinning
Dr. Duncan FREEMAN, College of Europe
● Prof. dr. Jiadong TONG, Centre for European Studies, Nankai University
● Prof. dr. Henk OVERBEEK, Department of Political Sciences, Free University Amsterdam
● Prof. Jianxiong ZHANG, Institute of European Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Science
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Panel III. China, Global Governance and the EU
Chair: Prof.dr. SONG Xinning
● Prof. dr. Jean-Christophe DEFRAIGNE, Université Saint Louis & UCLouvain
● Dr. Mohamed SALMAN, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
● Dr Matthieu BURNAY, Queen Mary University of London

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee break

15:45 – 17:45 Panel VI. China and Developing World
● Chair: Prof. dr. Jean-Christophe DEFRAIGNE, Université Saint Louis & UCLouvain
● Prof. YUAN Xiaohui, Institute of International Development Cooperation, Ministry of Commerce
● Ms. Solange GUO CHATELARD, Sciences Po Paris & ULB EAST
● Mr. David VILLALOBOS, LSM UCLouvain

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