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ENASEC-Meeting

"Lessons learned from China: Navigating Experiences from Sino-European Cooperation for Future Global Engagements"

07./08. July 2025

Generali-Saal (6th floor) in Super C, Templergraben 57, 52062 Aachen

Monday, 07. July

Moderator: Dr. Gerold Heinrichs, Head of Department, Asia, Oceania, DLR-PT

09:30 Presentation of ENTRANCE, introduction to the conference, organizational remarks

09:45 Welcome addresses by
Dr. Renata Ch. Feldmann, BMFTR
Dr. Norbert Drewes, Head of Corporate Development, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH

10:00 Opening Presentation/Keynote

'Conditions for sustainable EU-China collaboration recent study for the Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs'
Prof. Marijk van der Wende
Utrecht University, Faculty of Law, Economics and Governance

10:30 Presentation

'Unfolding science diplomacy: How is Germany implementing research security policies in scientific collaborations with China?'
Nicolas Rüffin
University College London & Universität Bonn

10:45 Panel Discussion

Prof. Marijk van der Wende + Nicolas Rüffin
'Academia Without Autonomy? Re-assessing Ethical Concerns and Safeguards in Europe-China Research and Educational Collaboration'

Dr. Cong-Rui Qiao
Law4Sustainability, Netherlands

Peter Gill
'Peter's Perspective'; formerly Senior Policy Advisor China at Delft University of Technology

12:00 **Lunch Break - Walk & Talk**

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Moderator: Dr. Agota Revesz, International Cooperation Officer (focus China) at the GFZ Helmholtz-Zentrum für Geoforschung

14:00 Presentation

'The rise of China in bioscience, and its impact on the relationship between bioethics and the law in EU Member-States'
Prof. Simona Novaretti
University of Turin, Department of Law

14:30 *'Sino-European Biotechnology Collaboration: Legal Risks, Dependency, and Dispute Resolution in a Shifting Regulatory Landscape'*
Anna Maria Rizzo
University of Silesia, Faculty of Law

15:00 **Coffee Break**

15:30 Panel Discussion *"EU-China-Experiences"*

Germany: *'Cultural understanding or strategic de-risking? A retrospective analysis of the German government's 'China Competence' funding policy from 2015-2024'*
Prof. Dr. Xun Luo
Uni Giessen, Chair of Intercultural Communication and Business (ICB)

Romania: *'Echoes Across Empires: Navigating Sino-Romanian Knowledge Production in the Shadow of Global Powers'*
Wang Jiong
Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu

Italy: *'The Galileo Galilei Italian Institute experience in Chongqing'*
Marco Bonaglia
Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies Pisa

Poland: *'Polish-Chinese Academic Cooperation: A Case Study of the SHENG Grant'*
Joanna Nawrotkiewicz
University of Łódź, Political Science

17:15 **Closing of the first conference day**

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Tuesday, 08. July

Moderator: Dr. Sigrun Abels, Director of the Center for Cultural Studies on Science and Technology in China at TU Berlin

09:00 Opening Presentation/Keynote

'Interpretation of Chinese mediation efforts during the Russian aggression against Ukraine'
Asso. Prof. Dmytro Yefremov
Uppsala University, Department of Government

09:45 Keynote

'International scientific collaboration amid geopolitical tensions: A comparative country study of securitization responses'
Asso. Prof. Tommy Shih
Lund University, Department of Business Administration

10:30 **Coffee Break**

11:00 Panel Discussion - *„Too cautious or not cautious enough?"*

'How can German researchers get the information they need to make decisions about their partnerships with China?: Making the case for a federal contact point for research security'
Michael Laha
German Council on Foreign Relations

'Addressing blind spots in Sino-German science diplomacy through autocracy competence'
Asso. Prof. Dr. Andreas Fulda ; Prof. Dr. Alicia Hennig
University of Nottingham; TU Dresden/IHI Zittau

'Understanding China's Approach to Scientific and Technological Cooperation with Europe: Implications for European Research and Innovation'
Dr. Carsten Schäfer
Universität zu Köln, Institute of East Asian Studies - Modern Chinese Studies

12:15 **Lunch Break**

Moderator: Dr. Anna Katharina Strob, Research program coordinator at the Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Project coordinator for WiWiKo

13:15 Panel Discussion - *„Learnings"*

'Navigating the Complexities of the China Scholarship Council: Policy Gaps and Implications for Sino-European Collaborations'
Anastasia Kostronima
Universität Würzburg, Chinese Studies/KoWinChi

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'EU-China Relations: Fragmented Institutionalism and Rising Neorealism'
Prof. Jing Men
East China Normal University

'Lessons (not) Learned? What Experiences from Engaging with China have (not) Taught us for Engaging with India'
Dr. Fabian Falter
Strategic India Activities, RWTH Aachen

'Confucius Institutes—Strategic Asset or Institutional Liability?'
Asso. Prof. Dr. Bogdan Zemanek
Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Institute of Far and Middle Eastern Studies

15:00 **Coffee Break**

15:30 Panel Discussion - *„Wrap-Up"*

'Which perspectives for Sino-European research and innovation cooperation? Recommendations for safe, sustainable and better-informed cooperation environment based on a trans-European survey'
Philipp Brugner
ZSI Centre for Social Innovation, Österreich

Prof. Dr. Ute Habel
Vice-Rector for International Affairs, RWTH Aachen

'Governance & Strategies of International Collaboration in times of Conflict'
PD Dr. Henning Kroll
Head of Business Unit Innovation Trends and Science Studies, Department Innovation and Knowledge Economy, Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research ISI

'Building bridges and/or playing safe – How do recent discussions on research security affect narratives of internationalization at higher education institutions?'
Christiane Wolf-Suzuki
BUA Forum on Diplomatic Resilience, Berlin Center for Global Engagement am BCGE

17:00 **Closing remarks and end of the conference**

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