

“China and the contestation of the liberal economic order”

Online Workshop organized by Tanja A. Börzel (SCRIPTS, Freie Universität Berlin) & Julia Langbein (Centre for East European and international Studies, Berlin)

Program

Friday, 28 May 2021

2.30-3.00 pm

Introduction

Tanja A. Börzel and Julia Langbein

CHINA AND THE WEST: COMPETITORS, PARTNERS, RIVALS

3.00-4.15 pm **Panel 1**

How China lends: a rare look into 100 sovereign debt contracts

Anna Gelpern (Georgetown Law and PIIE), Sebastian Horn (Kiel Institute for the World Economy), Brad Parks (College of William and Mary and AidData), Scott Morris (Center for Global Development, Washington DC), Christoph Trebesch (Kiel University and CEPR)

A challenge to the liberal economic order? Analyzing Chinese development/security practices in Kenya and Cameroon

Raoul Bunscoek & Maria Ketzmerick (Universität Bayreuth)

The Geo-economic Dynamics in Central Asia: The One Belt, One Road Initiative and the EU's New Central Asia Strategy in perspective

Flávio Alexandre de Oliveira Filho (Brazilian War College- ESG), Rafaela Mello (Rodrigues de Sá /IRI - PUC Rio)

Discussant: Philipp Lepenies (Freie Universität Berlin)

4.15-4.30 pm Break

4.30-5.30 pm **Panel 2**

Governing the Interface of US-China Trade Relations

Gregory Shaffer (University of California, Irvine School of Law)

Contesting the liberal international order: ideology and interests in the case of China

Tim Summers (The Chinese University of Hong Kong)

Discussant: Thomas Risse (Freie Universität Berlin)

Thursday, 3 June 2021

THE POLITICS OF CHINA'S ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT

2.00-3.00 pm **Panel 3**

China as an Alternative Gravity Centre for Authoritarian Turkey? Growing economic engagement of China with Turkey

Gözde Yılmaz & Nilgün Eliküçük Yıldırım (Atılım University, Ankara)

Sacrificing Political Freedom for Economic Liberalism? A Case Study of Taiwan's Response to China's Economic Statecraft

Yifei Zhu (Graduate School of East Asian Studies, Freie Universität Berlin)

Discussant: Julia Bader (University of Amsterdam)

3:00-3:15 pm Break

CONTESTATION FROM BELOW? LOCAL RESPONSES TO CHINA'S ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT

3:15-4:15 pm **Panel 4**

Local alignments with China's vision of internet governance

Rachel Hulvey (University of Pennsylvania)

Contesting the Digital Silk Road: Southeast Asian perceptions towards China's mobile payment investments

Wiebke Rabe and Genia Kostka (Freie Universität Berlin)

Discussant: Mark Hallerberg (Hertie School of Governance)

4:15-4:30 pm Break

4:30-5:30 pm **Panel 5**

Contesting the liberal economic order from below: Constructing financial infrastructures along the Belt and Road Initiative

Johannes Petry (SCRIPTS, Freie Universität Berlin)

Contesting Washington, admiring Beijing: The rise of state capitalism and electricity reforms in South America

Ariel A. Casarin (Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez; Chile), Marie Vandendriessche (Universita Autonoma de Barcelona), Angel Saz-Carranza (ESADE Business & Law School, Madrid)

Discussant: Matt Ferchen (Mercator Institute for China Studies)

Friday, 4 June 2021

DEVELOPMENT EFFECTS OF CHINA'S ECONOMIC ENGAGEMENT

2:00-3:00 pm **Panel 6**

The EU's stamp of approval, Chinese money and the exacerbation of corruption in Western Balkan Stabilitocracies: Serbia and Montenegro

Digdem Soyaltin-Colella (Altınbaş University-Istanbul)

China, the EU and policy space for development in Eastern Europe and Eurasia

Julia Langbein (Centre for East European and international Studies, Berlin)

Discussant: Ágnes Szunomár (Corvinus University of Budapest)

3:00-3:15 pm Break

CHINA'S IMPACT ON EU GOVERNANCE

3:15-4:15 pm **Panel 7**

How Chinese SOEs threaten the international liberal economic order: Insights from the EU

Francesca Ghiretti (King's College London and Istituto Affari Internazionali)

Systemic Influence or Selection Bias: China's Cooperation Initiatives in Eastern Europe and Liberal Order

Boyka Stefanova (University of Texas at San Antonio)

Discussant: Tim Rühlig (Swedish Institute of International Affairs)

4:15-4:30 pm Break

SHAPING POLICY SPACE FOR DEVELOPMENT ON THE GLOBAL LEVEL

4:30-5:30 pm Panel 8

The China Paradox: What trade rules for a (developing) economic powerhouse
Kristen Hopewell (Global Policy in the School of Public Policy and Global Affairs,
University of British Columbia)

Between development partner and competitor: China's relations with the Global South in the World Trade Organization

Clara Weinhardt (Maastricht University)

Discussant: Henry Gao (Singapore Management University)

5:30-6:00 pm CONCLUDING REMARKS

Tanja. A. Börzel and Julia Langbein