

RSIS-CAES International Relations Exchange Workshop

**Thursday
9 September 2021**

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Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES),
Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU)
and
S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS),
Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore

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GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME

The S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore and the Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University (XJTU) warmly welcomes you to the “**RSIS-CAES International Relations Exchange Workshop**”.

ZOOM DETAILS

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ATTIRE

For Workshop on 9 September 2021: Office Attire

QUERIES

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Synopsis

Jointly organised by the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU) and the Center of Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, this inaugural workshop seeks to be a platform for scholars of both institutions to exchange perspectives and insights. The workshop will confront some of the pressing questions in international relations today, including US-China competition, Sino-Indian relations and China's relations with Europe. It will also discuss aspects of China's public diplomacy. It is hoped that this exchange will help generate fresh understandings of international relations among the participants.

PROGRAMME

Zoom Login details for Thursday, 9 September 2021
Time: 09:30 AM – 12:45 PM (Singapore Time / UTC +8)
Zoom Meeting room ID: 923 1905 3324 Zoom Meeting room passcode: 270698

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09:30 – 09:40	<p>INTRODUCTORY REMARKS</p> <p>Professor Ralf Emmers <i>Dean, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, and President's Chair in International Relations, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p>Professor Wang Hua <i>Vice Dean, School of Foreign Studies and Vice Director, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p>
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09:40 – 10:30	<p>PANEL 1</p> <p><u>Moderator</u></p> <p>Associate Professor Zhu Xu <i>Vice Director, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>1.1 Research on the Development Path of Overseas Chinese Affairs Public Diplomacy in the Post Epidemic Era</p> <p>Associate Professor Liu Jing <i>Researcher, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p> <p>1.2 US-China Competition and its Regional Impact: A Southeast Asian Perspective</p> <p>Associate Professor Hoo Tiang Boon <i>Coordinator of China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, and Coordinator, MSc (Asian Studies) Programme, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
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<p>10:30 – 11:20</p>	<p>PANEL 2</p> <p><u>Moderator</u></p> <p>Associate Professor Hoo Tiang Boon <i>Coordinator of China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, and Coordinator, MSc (Asian Studies) Programme, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>2.1 India-China Relations and its Regional Impact</p> <p>Dr Sinderpal Singh <i>Senior Fellow, and Coordinator of South Asia Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p>2.2 Different Perspectives on Border Conflict Between China and India</p> <p>Associate Professor Li Jiasheng <i>Researcher, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
<p>11:20 – 11:40</p>	<p>COFFEE BREAK</p>

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<p>11:40 – 12:30</p>	<p>PANEL 3:</p> <p><u>Moderator</u></p> <p>Associate Professor Jin Xin <i>Assistant Director, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>3.1 China's Evolving Relations with Europe</p> <p>Associate Professor Feng Guangyi <i>School of Foreign Studies, and Researcher, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p> <p>3.2 The EU's Strategy in Southeast Asia</p> <p>Dr Yeo Lay Hwee <i>Director, European Union Centre in Singapore; and Adjunct Fellow, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
<p>12:30 – 12:45</p>	<p>CLOSING REMARKS</p> <p>Professor Wang Hua <i>Vice Dean, School of Foreign Studies and Vice Director, Center for Asia-Europe Studies (CAES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China</i></p> <p>Professor Ralf Emmers <i>Dean, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, and President's Chair in International Relations, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p>
<p>12:45</p>	<p>END OF WORKSHOP</p>

BIOGRAPHIES OF SPEAKERS

**in alphabetical sequence according to last/family names*

Ralf Emmers is Dean of S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) and President's Chair in International Relations, Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore.

He completed his MSc and PhD in the International Relations Department of the London School of Economics (LSE). His research interests cover security studies, the international institutions in the Asia Pacific, and the security and international politics of Southeast Asia. Prof Emmers is the author and editor of 11 books and monographs. His authored books include *Cooperative Security and the Balance of Power in ASEAN and the ARF* (RoutledgeCurzon, 2003), *Geopolitics and Maritime Territorial Disputes in East Asia* (Routledge, 2010), *Resource Management and Contested Territories in East Asia* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2013) and *Security Strategies of Middle Powers in the Asia Pacific* co-written with Sarah Teo (Melbourne University Press, 2018). He is also the co-editor of the forthcoming *Oxford Handbook on Peaceful Change in International Relations* (Oxford University Press, 2021).

Prof Emmers has published articles in peer-reviewed journals such as *The Pacific Review*, *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, *Asian Survey*, *Australian Journal of International Affairs*, *Global Change, Peace & Security*, *Asian Security*, *TRaNS*, *Contemporary Southeast Asia*, *Asia Policy*, *Asian Journal of Peacebuilding*, *Asian Politics and Policy*, *Political Science and Contemporary Politics*, as well as numerous book chapters in edited volumes.

Feng Guangyi is Associate Professor at the School of Foreign Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong University, and Researcher at the Center for Asia-Europe Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong University. He has extensively focused on the study of modern Iranian history and the history of China's cultural communication with the outside world. He has published two translated books; one on Chinese tea culture from Chinese into English, and the other on modern Iranian history from English into Chinese. He has also published 3 edited textbooks for graduate students on Western culture, as well as 10 articles on Chinese culture, Iranian history, and the history of China's communication with the outside world.

Hoo Tiang Boon is Associate Professor and Coordinator of the China Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore. He is concurrently the Coordinator of the Masters in Asian Studies Programme at RSIS; as well as a Faculty Fellow with NTU's University Scholars Programme. He holds a PhD in International Relations from the University of Oxford.

Dr. Hoo is the author of several publications on China, cross-strait relations and US-China relations. His recent authored or edited books include *China's Global Identity: Considering the Responsibilities of Great Power* (Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press, 2018-2019); *Chinese Regionalism in Asia: Beyond the Belt-Road Initiative* (New York & London, Routledge, 2021, forthcoming); and *Chinese Foreign Policy under Xi* (New York & London: Routledge, 2017). His book, *China's Global Identity*, has been positively reviewed by several leading international relations and China studies journals, including Political Science Quarterly, the China Quarterly, the China Journal, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, H-Diplo, and Ethics and International Affairs.

Dr. Hoo has been involved in several diplomatic initiatives, including the Singapore-US Strategic Dialogue, the Vietnam-Singapore Security Dialogue, the Singapore-France Dialogue on China, the Korea-Singapore Forum, and the Network of ASEAN Defence and Security Institutions. Dr. Hoo was formerly a visiting fellow at the China Foreign Affairs University, a visiting scholar at the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, and a visiting researcher at the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies.

Jin Xin is Associate Professor and Assistant Director at the Center for Asia-Europe Studies of Xi'an Jiaotong University. He received his PhD from Jilin University, China, and his area of research focuses on the International Relations and Regional Security of East Asian.

Li Jiasheng is Associate Professor and Researcher at the Center for Asia-Europe Studies of Xi'an Jiaotong University. He received his PhD from Nankai University, China, and his area of research focuses on the South-Asia region, India's foreign policy and Sino-India relations.

Liu Jing is Associate Professor and Researcher in the Center for Asia-Europe Studies of Xi'an Jiaotong University. She received her doctorate from the School of International Studies, Renmin University of China. Her main research fields focus on overseas Chinese affairs and Chinese foreign policy.

Sinderpal Singh is Senior Fellow and Coordinator of the South Asia Programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. His research interests include the international relations of South Asia with a special focus on Indian foreign policy. Before joining RSIS, Sinderpal was a Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, and a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore. He has published articles in *India Review*, *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, *Contemporary Southeast Asia and Pacific Affairs*; his single-authored book is entitled *India in South Asia: Domestic Identity Politics and Foreign Policy from Nehru to the BJP* (Routledge 2013; paperback version, 2015). He has also contributed book chapters on aspects of India's Northeast, specifically in relation to India-ASEAN land connectivity. He is presently in the final stages of completing an edited book on the "Modi Doctrine" in Indian foreign policy as well as a book-length manuscript examining 'Indian' constructions of the Indian Ocean region from the colonial period till the present. He received his PhD from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, his MA from the Australian National University and his BA from the National University of Singapore.

Wang Hua is Professor and Vice Dean of the School of Foreign Studies and Vice Director of the Center for Asia-Europe Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong University. He received his PhD from the School of Economics and Finance, Xi'an Jiaotong University, and his Masters from the Faculty of Arts and Social Science, National University of Singapore. He is currently focusing on international economics and politics.

Yeo Lay Hwee is Director of the European Union Centre in Singapore. She is also Council Secretary at the Singapore Institute of International Affairs, Adjunct Fellow at the S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Senior Associate at the Centre for Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University, Adjunct Faculty at the Singapore Management University and teaches part time at the National University of Singapore.

Lay Hwee sits on several Advisory Boards including Centre for European Studies at the Australian National University, KU Leuven's Master in European Studies Programme; Leiden Asia Centre in Leiden University; Asian Vision Institute (Cambodia) and the Student Think Tank for Europe-Asia Relations. She is also a member of the Scientific Committee of a multi-year research project on "Trends in Global Governance and Europe's Role" (TRIGGER) led by the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) (<https://trigger-project.eu/>)

Her research interests revolve around comparative regionalism, multilateralism and governance networks. She has written extensively on issues pertaining to Asia-Europe relations in general, and specifically on the ASEM process and EU-ASEAN relations. She participates actively in various research networks, and contributes regularly to policy dialogues and academic workshops. Her most recent book which she co-edited with Professor Tommy Koh is on ASEAN-EU Partnership: The Untold Story.

Zhu Xu is Associate Professor and Vice Director of the Center for Asia-Europe Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong University. He received his PhD in International Relations from Nankai University. His research interests are global governance and China's diplomacy. He has been a visiting scholar in Boston University, USA and Sciences Po, France.