

CHINA'S *GOwest* STRATEGY

Premises and Prospects

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Prof. Zhimin Lin received his BA from Fudan University (1982), MPA from Princeton University (1985) and PhD in political science from University of Washington (1993). He serves as chair of Chinese and Japanese Studies Program, director of Master of Arts in Chinese Studies, and director of the China Center of Valparaiso University. His research is mainly focus on politics in China especially in budgetary politics as well as local politics and international relations in East Asia.



As central Asia is becoming a new battleground for major power competition, China is seriously upgrading its “go-west” policy into a full-blown national strategy. What does China want to get out of this strategy? What are the chances that it will succeed? This lecture looks at the complex interactions and patterns of three pairs of major power relations in the region (US-China, China-Russia, China-India) and how they interact in and affect five core policy areas: energy politics, geopolitical balance, anti-terrorism needs and deeds, local political stability and economic/social policies. This lecture will also discuss the institutionalizing regional economic cooperation in order to assess the basis premises and prospects of China’s renewed commitment and efforts to expand its “go-west” policy into a national strategy.



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