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Beyond WTO: Insights into U.S.-China

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Abstract

This presentation seeks to examine shifting norms of governance in U.S.-China relations. China's entry into the World Trade Organization (WTO) in 2001 has fostered a sense of order in American-Chinese relations. However, increasing economic, social, and cultural interchange has not yet brought the two countries closer in the sphere of security. They have both made strategic moves to hedge against future conflicts on a global scale. The recent "new" turn in American security and economic policy in the Asia-Pacific also promises increased business opportunities in the region, which is paralleled by expanded cooperation between China and Russia, Africa, Latin America, and other places. China's latest strategic and economic re-adjustment equally points to the new dynamics in U.S.-China relations beyond the WTO. Can emerging norms of governance help improve the relationship between the United States and China that will affect the entire world?