The End of American World Order and the Birth of a Multiplex World





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Drawing upon his recently published book, The End of American World Order, and an inprogress book on China's rise and Asian security, the speaker argues that while the 'unipolar
moment' in international relations is over, what comes at its place is not a "multipolar" world an outdated European concept - but a Multiplex World. Like a multiplex theatre, it presents the
audience (international community) with a wider choice of 'plots' (ideas and ideo-gies), actors
(including new powers), and producers and directors (of peace, development and order) than was
the case under US hegemony

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