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the 1911 Revolution in China

**“The Aftermath of Revolution: Experiments in Western-style Democratic Politics in
Early Republican China”**

- Speaker: Prof. Wang Chaoguang, Institute of Modern History,
Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
- Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2011
- Time: 2:30-5:00 p.m.
- Venue: Conference Room No. 2, India International Centre, 40 Max Mueller
Marg, Lodhi Estate, New Delhi

The Revolution of 1911 was an epochal event in China's history. Inspired by republican ideals, it brought to an end the imperial system of government that had lasted more than 2000 years. In the wake of the Revolution, a new liberal Constitution was promulgated, numerous political parties emerged, and elections to constitute a new government were held for the first time in China. However, this early experiment in Western-style democracy did not succeed, and republican institutions failed to take root. Prof. Wang Chaoguang analyses the reasons for this development which had profound implications for the later course of China's modern history.

Wang Chaoguang is Professor and director of the Department of Chinese Republican History at the Institute of Modern History of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences since 1998. He is currently also the Deputy Director of the Institute of Modern History at CASS. He has written numerous articles and books on the history of the Republican China.