1ST INDIA FORUM ON CHINA

DECIPHERING CHINA’S QUEST FOR GLOBAL AND REGIONAL LEADERSHIP

14-15 December 2017
organized by

Institute of Chinese Studies
&
Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation
in cooperation with
Goa University

at
International Centre Goa

Day One: Thursday, 14 December 2017

1630-1700 Registration

1700-1830

INAUGURAL SESSION

National Anthem

Opening Remarks: Amb. Ashok K. Kantha, Director, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi

Welcome: Mr. Peter Rimmle, Resident Representative to India, Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation

Keynote Address: Amb. Shyam Saran, Former Foreign Secretary, Government of India & Member, Governing Council, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi - Overview of China’s Quest for Global Leadership

Remarks and Introduction of Chief Guest: Prof. Varun Sahni, Vice-Chancellor, Goa University

Inaugural Address: Her Excellency the Governor of Goa, Smt. Mridula Sinha

National Anthem
1830-1845  Tea/Coffee Break

1845-2015

SESSION 1
STRATEGIC OVERVIEW OF CHINA’S QUEST FOR LEADERSHIP IN GLOBAL CONTEXT

Chair: Amb. Nalin Surie, Director-General, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi

Prof. Prasenjit Duara, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA - Revisiting the Chinese World Order: Continuities and Novelties

Amb. Shivshankar Menon, Former National Security Advisor, Government of India & Chairman, Advisory Board, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi - Strategic Underpinnings of China’s Foreign Policy

Amb. Bilahari Kausikan, Ambassador-at-large and Former Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore - China’s Approach towards Southeast Asia under Xi Jinping: A View from Singapore

Q&A

2015  Dinner Reception

Day Two: Friday, 15 December 2017

0900-1030

SESSION 2
CHINA’S GREAT POWER AMBITIONS: INSTRUMENTS AND DRIVERS

Chair: Amb. Shivshankar Menon, Former National Security Advisor, Government of India, and Chairman, Advisory Board, Institute of Chinese Studies, ICS

Dr. Chisako T. Masuo, Department of Social Studies, Faculty of Social and Cultural Studies, Kyushu University - Recent Developments in Chinese Maritime Administration: Beyond its ‘Maritime Territory’

Amb. Anil Wadhwa, Former Secretary (East), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India - Chinese Investments in Europe
Dr. Arvind Gupta, Director, Vivekananda International Foundation - China’s Cyber Capabilities and its Impact on Regional Security

Q&A

1030-1100 Tea/Coffee Break

1100-1230

SESSION 3
CHINA’S GREAT POWER AMBITIONS: CONCEPTS AND IDEOLOGY

Chair: Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty, Former Chairperson, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi

Prof. Tansen Sen, Director, Center for Global Asia, Professor of History, NYU Shanghai - Zheng He and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road: The (Re-)Writing of History with Chinese Characteristics

Amb. P. Stobdan, Senior Fellow, Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, Delhi - Buddhism and China’s Foreign Policy

Prof. Richard Rigby, Professorial Fellow Crawford School of Public Policy & Executive Director ANU China Institute, Australian National University, Canberra - Xi Jinping, History and Vision: China and the World in the New Era

Q&A

1230-1400 Lunch

1400-1530

SESSION 4
REGIONAL DIMENSIONS - I

Chair: Prof. Aparajita Gangopadhyay Thakur, Director, UGC Centre for Latin American Studies, Goa University

Prof. C. Raja Mohan, Director, Carnegie India - China in India’s Northwest

Prof. Christian Wagner, Senior Fellow, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin - Role of China in South Asia: Focus on BRI Projects

Dr. Jabin T. Jacob, Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi - Provinces in China’s Regional Foreign Policy: Vanguard and Cover
Q&A

1530-1600  Tea/Coffee Break

1600-1730  

**SESSION 5**

**REGIONAL DIMENSIONS - II**

Chair:  **Prof. Alka Acharya**, Former Director, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi and Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

**Amb. P. S. Raghavan**, Convenor, National Security Advisory Board - Russia-China Relations: Trends and Implications

**Dr. Mordechai Chaziza**, Department of Politics and Governance, Ashkelon Academic College, Israel - Strategic Importance of the Suez Canal to Chinese ‘one belt, one road’ Initiative

**Prof. David Arase**, Johns Hopkins University-Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies, Nanjing University - China in the Northeast Asian Theatre: Maintaining Order, Upsetting Order

**Amb. R. Viswanathan**, former Ambassador of India to Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay - Latin America's *Amigovio*: China, the Friend with Benefits

Q&A

1730-1800  Tea/Coffee Break

1800-1930  

**SESSION 6**

**THE MILITARY DIMENSION**

Chair:  **Maj. Gen. Dipankar Banerjee**, Member, Forum for Strategic Initiative, New Delhi

**Prof. Arthur S. Ding**, Former Director, Institute of International Relations, Taipei, Taiwan - Walking on Two Legs: Reform of Defense Industry in China under Xi Jinping

**Vice Adm. Anil Chopra**, Member, National Security Advisory Board, India - The PLA Navy’s Expanding Footprint: China’s Quest for Sea-Power
Q&A

1930-2030

CONCLUDING SESSION

Chair: Prof. Varun Sahni, Vice-Chancellor, Goa University

Report: Dr. Garima Mohan, Global Public Policy Institute, Berlin & Representative, Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation, India

Concluding Address: Amb. Shivshankar Menon, Former National Security Advisor, Government of India, and Chairman, Advisory Board, Institute of Chinese Studies

Vote of Thanks: Dr. Jabin T. Jacob, Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi

2030-2230 Dinner

Saturday, 16 December 2017

Departure of Participants