China and the Future of Global Trade and Energy

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Seminar Room OAW, Hof 2, AAKH Campus

China is already making an impact on shaping today’s world, and will increasingly in the future. Trade is central to understanding the changing landscape and dynamics of globalisation. Energy is core to understanding humanity’s relationship with the planet’s resources and environment. They both are related to critical global challenges currently facing humanity. No other country will have a more profound effect on future world trade and energy than China, as will be explored in Dr Christopher Dent’s talk on the subject. He will discuss how China’s growing global impact will be determined by its own approach to four key areas: 1. economic growth and development; 2. technology and innovation; 3. sustainability and climate action; 4. international society, relations and leadership. Dr Dent will discuss how China’s future engagement with trade and energy provide very useful insights into assessing the paths taken by human civilisation in the 21st century.

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