



## EXECUTIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

## GLOBAL GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME

# *CHINA'S GLOBAL AMBITIONS IN THE AGE OF XI JINPING: ENVISIONING MULTIPLE SCENARIOS*

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## ■ INTRODUCTION

This Executive Training Seminar brings together European and Chinese scholars with robust experience in strategic foresight to explore the most salient political and socioeconomic trends currently defining China's domestic transformations as well as Beijing's increasingly ambitious international posture. It offers outstanding graduate students, young scholars and professionals a setting that encourages interaction and hands-on learning through scenario-making techniques.

Over the first two days of training participants will be exposed to a variety of perspectives on the strategic outcomes of the 19th national congress of the Chinese Communist Party, including its implications for China's foreign policy and for the next cycle of domestic reforms envisaged to enhance the country's competitiveness. Special attention will be devoted to the Belt and Road Initiative and the 'Made in China 2025' programme. Scholars will reflect on how President Xi Jinping's stated goal of moving China to the global centre stage by 2049 will reverberate on security dynamics in the Asia-Pacific region, on world trade and global macroeconomic stability, and on international development.

In keeping with its mission of pursuing actionable knowledge for effective public policy, the ETS then culminates in a half-day scenario-building exercise. Participants are led to identify relevant macro-variables - chiefly of political and economic nature -, isolate mega-trends and assess critical uncertainties in order to articulate alternative "futures" and discuss appropriate policies to steer from the "official future" to the preferred scenario.



## ■ PROGRAMME

### 1 OCTOBER

- 09.00 - 09.15      Opening  
**Brigid Laffan** | Director, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies and Global Governance Programme
- 09.15 - 10.45      The political topography of the Chinese Party-State after the 19th CCP national congress (part I)  
**Giovanni B. Andornino** | University of Torino, European University Institute and Torino World Affairs Institute
- 10.45 - 11.15      Coffee break
- 11.15 - 12.45      Whither EU-China relations in the age of Donald Trump and the Belt and Road Initiative?  
**Alain Baron** | International Transport sector, DG Move, European Commission
- 12.45 - 14.00      Lunch break
- 14.00 - 15.30      The political topography of the Chinese Party-State after the 19th CCP national congress (part II)  
**Giovanni B. Andornino** | University of Torino, European University Institute and Torino World Affairs Institute
- 15.30 - 15.45      Coffee break
- 15.45 - 17.15      Toward the 4th Plenum: charting a new path for a sustainable and competitive Chinese economy (part I)  
**Jean François Huchet** | INALCO
- 17.15 - 17.30      Refreshments
- 17.30 - 19.00      Toward the 4th Plenum: charting a new path for a sustainable and competitive Chinese economy (part II)  
**Jean François Huchet** | INALCO
- 19.30              Welcome dinner  
Keynote speech by **Paolo Costa** | former President of the Venice Port Authority

### 2 OCTOBER

- 09.00 - 11.00      The foreign policy implications of Beijing's search for 'national rejuvenation': power, perceptions, and China's periphery (part I)  
**Jian Zhang** | Peking University
- 11.00 - 11.30      Coffee break
- 11.30 - 13.00      The foreign policy implications of Beijing's search for 'national rejuvenation': power, perceptions, and China's periphery (part II)  
**Jian Zhang** | Peking University

13.00 - 14.00	Lunch break
14.00 - 15.30	Can China lead? Governing security risks along the Belt and Road (part I) <b>Katherine Morton</b>   University of Sheffield
15.30 - 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 - 17.30	Can China lead? Governing security risks along the Belt and Road (part II) <b>Katherine Morton</b>   University of Sheffield
17.30 - 17.45	Refreshments
17.45 - 18.45	The Belt and Road Initiative and Chinese investments <b>Giorgia Giovannetti</b>   University of Florence and European University Institute

### 3 OCTOBER

09.00 - 09.15	Introduction to the scenario-building exercise <b>Giovanni B. Andornino</b>   University of Torino, European University Institute and Torino World Affairs Institute <b>Giorgia Giovannetti</b>   University of Florence and European University Institute
09.15 - 10.45	Scenario-building exercise (part I)
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 - 13.30	Scenario-building exercise (part II)
13.30 - 14.30	Farewell lunch and distribution of participation diplomas

## ■ SPEAKERS

<b>Giovanni B. Andornino</b>	Assistant Professor, University of Torino; part-time Professor, European University Institute; Vice President, Torino World Affairs Institute, Italy
<b>Alain Baron</b>	Head of the International Transport sector, DG Move, European Commission, Belgium
<b>Paolo Costa</b>	Former President, Venice Port Authority, Venice, Italy
<b>Giorgia Giovannetti</b>	Vice Chancellor, University of Florence, Italy; part-time Professor, European University Institute, Italy
<b>Jean-François Huchet</b>	Professor, INALCO, Paris, France
<b>Katherine Morton</b>	Professor, University of Sheffield, United Kingdom
<b>Jian Zhang</b>	Professor, Peking University, Beijing, China