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INTRODUCTION

The Kim Koo Forum at Peking University's School of International Studies was established in July 2010 with the generous support of the Kim Koo Foundation. Through the Kim Koo Forum, we hope to explore various avenues of cooperation that could help promote Korean studies in the Asia-Pacific region and enhance China-South Korea relations. Over the past decade, the Kim Koo Forum series has covered a wide range of topics and invited experts from the academic and policy communities. Several student roundtable discussions have also been organized, focusing on diplomacy, security, cultural relations, and economics.

Our distinguished speakers shared their unique insights on various topics at the forum. We received positive feedback from the participants of the Kim Koo Forum, including the students and professors of Peking University. The Kim Koo Forum can be deemed a success. In fact, the forum provides a platform for Peking University to have in-depth discussions and cross-border exchanges, which also helps China and South Korea deepen mutual understanding. Many distinguished scholars, diplomats, and professionals worldwide have been invited to the events of the Kim Koo Forum at the School of International Studies, Peking University.

KIM KOO FOUNDATION

The prime goal of the Kim Koo Foundation is to provide “public goods” that benefit society at large, to train talented youth who have the potential to become “leaders”, and to support academic research. To better present Korean history and culture to the world, the Kim Koo Foundation established the Kim Koo Visiting Professorship (2004), Kim Koo Forum on U.S.-Korea Relations at the Korea Institute in Harvard University (2005), Kim Koo Library at the Watson Institute for International Studies in Brown University (2009), and Kim Koo Chair in Korean Studies at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy in Tufts University (2011). Similarly, the Kim Koo Forum at the Center for International and Strategic Studies at Peking University was established in 2010.

H.E. Kim Koo (1876-1949) was the Premier of the Korean Provisional Government (KPG). The Korean government-in-exile was the headquarters of the Korean resistance movement, and its existence enabled Koreans to gain independence from Japanese colonial rule. The legitimacy of the Republic of Korea government was derived from the KPG. After the liberation of the Korean Peninsula in 1945, H.E. Kim Koo was dedicated to the peaceful unification of the Korean Peninsula. In his autobiography, *Baekbeom Ilji*, Kim expressed his deep patriotic sentiment and envisaged, “I do not necessarily wish our nation would become the richest and most powerful country in the world. (For me) It would be sufficient if we could be rich enough to support our people in living an abundant life, and our military capability would be strong enough to protect our country from being invaded. Nonetheless, my utmost desire is that (our nation) would possess the power to develop our culture fully. A robust and influential culture could bring happiness to our nation and others.”

Dr. Kim Ho Youn, Chairman of the foundation, established the Kim Koo Foundation on December 29, 1993, in the spirit of actualizing H.E. Kim Koo’s vision of building a nation of culture and education. The autobiography of Baekbeom Kim Koo is that of the famous Korean nationalist and key leader of the Korean Provisional Government (KPG) in China during Japanese colonial rule.

SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (SIS), PEKING UNIVERSITY

The School of International Studies (SIS) at Peking University (PKU) provides an important teaching and research platform for young talents specializing in international studies, international political economy, and diplomacy. SIS was officially founded in 1996. Nevertheless, the history of the School extends as far back as the Department of Political Science (PKU), which was first established in 1960. Three years after its establishment, the Department of Political Science was renamed the Department of

International Politics. In 1996, the Department of International Politics merged with the Institutes of International Relations and Afro-Asian Studies, eventually forming the SIS we know today. In recent years, SIS has set up a series of international programs, enabling students to study abroad and giving them opportunities to pursue higher academic achievements. All these programs provide a unique Chinese perspective combined with rigorous academic training.

INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING (iGCU), PEKING UNIVERSITY

The Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding (iGCU, formerly known as the Institute for China-US People-to-People Exchange) at Peking University is a cutting-edge think tank that integrates academic research, policy advising, and leadership training. The advisory board of iGCU consists of 30 former and incumbent Chinese state and ministerial level leaders, accompanied by more than 100 preeminent scholars and experts from a wide range of disciplines who serve as academic committee members and resident/non-resident research fellows. In order to fulfill its mission -“Connecting People, Understanding the World” - iGCU seeks to promote global cooperation and understanding by conducting innovative research and policy analysis.

Summary and Prospect

2025-2026

The Kim Koo Foundation, named after Mr. Kim Koo, is dedicated to carry forward his notable thoughts and advance peace and development by emphasizing culture's importance. Benefiting from the generous support of the Foundation, the Kim Koo Forum at PKU enjoys robust growth, hosting over fifty events of various scales and formats each year. These gatherings convene illustrious scholars and professionals from multiple countries, engaging in dialogues that span a broad spectrum of critical issues. The Forum has now become one of the flagship projects of the School of International Studies at Peking University. As the organizer and implementing body of the Forum, iGCU is committed to making full use of the generous donation, striving to contribute to academic progress and promoting social and cultural exchanges.

In 2025, the quality of Kim Koo Forum's activities improved significantly, with new forms of activities developed and large-scale events held. All activities were carried out in line with the annual plan and budget set at the beginning of the year. During this period, the Forum held 29 regular activities (Professor Luncheon Series and Kim Koo High-end Lecture Series) and 44 large-scale activities (high-end forums and academic seminars). These events were a great success, attracting more than 1500 participants, receiving an enthusiastic response and yielding excellent results.

The success of the Kim Koo Forum's activities

owes much to the strong support of the Kim Koo Foundation. We strongly believe that, with the Foundation's continued support and our sustained efforts, the Kim Koo Forum will continue to contribute to world prosperity and seek ways to promote global cooperation and understanding through professional international exchanges.

Reflecting on the past year, the rapid development of artificial intelligence has not only opened up new possibilities for the world, but also brought about more uncertainties. The world is volatile but full of new opportunities. Against this backdrop, AI plays a good bonding role in people-to-people exchanges, peaceful development, and the construction of a healthy gateway to Northeast Asia. We plan to organize more in-depth discussions and research among experts and scholars in the new year, with a focus on the following questions: how the collective wisdom of Northeast Asia can respond to global turbulence; what ethical and regulatory boundaries should guide the development of artificial intelligence; and which areas hold more promise for cooperation between China and South Korea. At the same time, on top of traditional topics, we do not overlook longstanding issues such as globalization, cybersecurity and the Global South. In 2026, we will spare no effort to continue our work to promote flourishing global cultural exchanges and to enhance global understanding, taking the Forum to a new stage of development.

January 3, 2025

Visit by a Student Delegation from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA)

On the morning of January 3, 2025, a 27-member student delegation from the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University, visited Peking University and held in-depth discussions on China-U.S. policy issues with PKU faculty and students. Sun Bingyan, Deputy Director of the Center for Intellectual Property and Technology Security and lecturer of the Department of International Politics at the University of International Relations, delivered a keynote speech. Faculty and students of the two universities conducted thorough exchanges on social development, media influence and policy issues in both China and the United States. The event offered new perspectives for mutual understanding on global policy and cultural issues.



January 11, 2025

Visit by a Student Delegation from the College of William & Mary



On January 11, 17 students from the College of William & Mary visited the School of International Studies, Peking University, and held in-depth exchanges on global development issues. Jointly organized by iGCU and other relevant research centers of PKU, the event was addressed by Professor Zha Daojiong and Associate Professor Chen Muyang. Participants discussed China-U.S. competition and cooperation in global development, the Belt and Road Initiative, and climate change. The activity strengthened academic and people-to-people exchanges between Chinese and American youth.

January 15, 2025

Roundtable on China-U.S. Relations: U.S.-China Young Scholars Dialogue Project

On January 15, the first cohort of 15 young American scholars from the National Committee on United States-China Relations (NCUSCR) visited Peking University for exchanges, as part of the U.S.-China Dialogue Project for Young Scholars. The roundtable featured welcoming remarks by Professor Wang Dong and Robert Daly, Director of the Kissinger Institute on China and the United States at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and a closing summary by Professor Zhang Qingmin. Chinese and U.S. scholars held candid discussions on key bilateral topics, deepened mutual understanding, and strengthened academic and people-to-people ties between the two nations.



February 26, 2025

Roundtable with Peter Slezkine of the Stimson Center



On February 26, Peter Slezkine, Senior Fellow and Director of the Russia Program at the Stimson Center, visited the School of International Studies, Peking University. Hosted by iGCU PKU, the roundtable gathered scholars from CASS, Tsinghua University and Peking University. Participants held in-depth discussions on the Russia-Ukraine conflict and geopolitical security issues, promoting academic dialogue and mutual trust between Chinese and foreign experts.

March 2, 2025

Georgetown University Delegation Visit and China-U.S. Student Dialogue Program

On March 2, a delegation from Georgetown University visited Peking University for the China-U.S. Student Dialogue Program. The event gathered 36 faculty members and students from Peking University and Georgetown University, who held closed-door seminars and group presentations on pressing global issues including global gov-

ernance, climate change and artificial intelligence. Participants also visited relevant institutions and enterprises for in-depth exchanges on cutting-edge topics. The program successfully built a communication platform for Chinese and American youth, and brought fresh ideas and renewed energy to China-U.S. relations in the new era.

March 6, 2025

China-UK Think Tank Dialogue on Cybersecurity

From March 6 to 7, the China-UK Think Tank Dialogue on Cybersecurity, jointly hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University (iGCU) and the Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies (RUSI), was successfully held. Nearly twenty experts and scholars from universities, research institutes and enterprises including Peking University, Fudan University, Beihang University, Beijing Normal University, Tongji University, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies, Shanghai Academy of Data Science, RUSI, University College London, A&O Shearman and RELX Group conducted discussions on topics such as the commercialization of cybercrime, ransomware, emerging cyber threats and technological convergence.



March 20, 2025

Visit and Exchange with the University of Salamanca Delegation



On March 20, Raúl Sánchez Prieto, Vice Rector of the University of Salamanca led a delegation to visit Peking University. The Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding (iGCU) of Peking University helped receive the delegation. Professor Wang Dong, Vice President Raúl Sánchez Prieto, and Secretary-General Lu Xinyin of the China Public Relations Association delivered remarks in turn. The two sides had in-depth exchanges on educational cooperation and people-to-people and cultural exchanges. This activity further promoted friendly exchanges and people-to-people connectivity between Chinese and Spanish universities.

March 26, 2025

China-U.S. Think Tank Dialogue on Economy and Trade

On March 26, 2025, the China-U.S. Think Tank Dialogue on Economy and Trade was co-hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University (iGCU) and the Carter Center, with support from Lee World Group. The event brought together scholars, policy experts, and business leaders from both countries to discuss political developments in the “Trump 2.0” era and bilateral economic and trade relations. Key topics included the impact of protectionism, supply chain adjustments, technology cooperation, and the importance of people-to-people exchanges. Participants agreed that dialogue and mutual understanding are essential to managing differences and fostering stable, healthy bilateral ties. The dialogue contributed to building trust and offered academic and think-tank insights for the future of U.S.-China relations.



April 22, 2025

Exchange Between RSIS and iGCU on “Cybersecurity and Multilateral Cooperation: Collaborative Responses to Global Challenges”

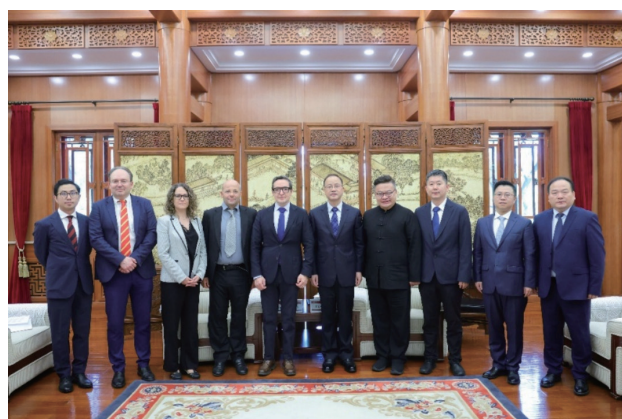
On April 22, 2025, the delegation of experts from the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University, and the ASEAN Defence Ministers’ Meeting Cybersecurity and Information Centre of Excellence (ACICE) visited the School of International Studies at Peking University. Chinese and Singaporean scholars engaged in in-depth discussions on digital security, multilateral governance, and China-Singapore cooperation. Topics included digital defense, institutionalized cybersecurity cooperation, and the role of Chinese tech companies. Both sides agreed on the importance of deepening multilateralism and building international consensus for the future of cybersecurity.



May 13, 2025

Exchange between the Delegation of the University of Salamanca and iGCU

On May 13, 2025, a delegation led by Juan Corchado, Rector of the University of Salamanca, visited Peking University. He Guangcai, Secretary of the Peking University Party Committee and Chair of the University Council, met with the delegation, accompanied by Vice President Piao Shilong. Noting the 20th anniversary of the China-Spain comprehensive strategic partnership, both sides emphasized their shared mission to promote Sino-Spanish cultural exchange and cooperation in cutting-edge fields such as AI-enabled civilizational dialogue. They agreed to establish a long-term framework for student exchanges, joint research, and cultural collaboration. The delegation also interacted with PKU faculty and students and toured the PKU Institute for Artificial Intelligence.



May 16, 2025

Peking University–Stanford Institute Dialogue

On May 16, 2025, Oriana Skylar Mastro from Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University visited Peking University. She met with President Gong Qihuang and other PKU representatives at Linhu Xuan. Both sides engaged in discussions on deepening

academic collaboration between Chinese and American universities, interdisciplinary research, and fostering people-to-people exchanges. They reaffirmed their commitment to addressing global challenges through sustained dialogue and mutual understanding.

May 21, 2025

Visit and Exchange with the Delegation from the Max Baucus Institute

On May 21, 2025, former U.S. Ambassador to China Max Baucus led a student delegation from the Max Baucus Institute to visit Yenching Academy at Peking University. The event, moderated by Professor Wang Dong and Associate Dean Brent Haas, featured remarks by Dean Dong Qiang and Professor Jia Qingguo. Ambassador Baucus and Professor Jia engaged in a dialogue on continuity and change in U.S.-China relations, youth participation in global governance, and the nature of strategic competition. Baucus compared the bilateral relationship to an “long-term cooperative par” that can thrive with sincere communication. Both sides emphasized mutual respect, understanding, and shared responsibilities in a multipolar world.



May 28, 2025

Middle East Peace Agenda Seminar

On May 28, 2025, a closed-door roundtable on the “Middle East Peace Agenda” was co-hosted by Peking University and the Berghof Foundation. The hybrid event brought together political figures, think tank experts, scholars, and religious peace organization representatives from China, the Middle East, and Europe. Discussions centered on the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, post-conflict reconstruction, governance mechanisms, China’s role, and follow-up to the Beijing Declaration. Centered on the core spirit of “dialogue, cooperation, consensus”, the meeting empha-

sized pragmatic engagement, structured participation, and cross-cultural collaboration. Professor Wang Dong of Peking University reaffirmed China’s commitment to inclusive multilateral peace pathways grounded in a non-Western perspective. Six thematic areas were explored, including China’s evolving role in the Palestinian issue, pathways for the Beijing Declaration, and prospects for China-Europe-Middle East trilateral cooperation. Constructive insights were shared, providing multilateral perspectives and policy support for future Middle East peace.

June 3, 2025

Roundtable on “The Belt and Road Initiative and Mutual Learning among Civilizations: The Role of Think Tanks”

On June 3, 2025, a roundtable on “The Belt and Road Initiative and Mutual Learning among Civilizations: The Role of Think Tanks” was co-hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University (iGCU) and China Center for Contemporary World Studies of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee. The meeting brought together scholars and think tank representatives from more than ten countries, including China, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, the Philippines, Malaysia, Nigeria, Hungary, Cambodia, Serbia, Brazil, and Mongolia. Discussions focused on how think tanks can facilitate cross-cultural understanding under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). Topics included diverse responses to the BRI across Southeast Asia, technology transfer, China-Africa cooperation, infrastructure projects such as the China-Kyrgyzstan-Uzbekistan railway, and the

role of the Global South. Participants agreed on the need for sustained dialogue and practical cooperation to deepen mutual understanding and open a new chapter for think tank collaboration under the BRI.



June 6, 2025

Robert S. Ross: Some Reflections on U.S.-China Relations

On June 6, 2025, a lecture brought together Professor Robert S. Ross, a renowned expert on China studies from Boston College and associate director of the Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies at Harvard University, along with faculty members from Peking University's School of International Studies and nearly 50 attendees. The event was moderated by Professor Wang Dong, executive director of the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University (iGCU), and featured welcoming remarks by Professor Jia Qingguo, director of the same institute. Participating faculty included Professor Wang Yong, director of the Center for American Studies;

Professor Zha Daojiong; Associate Professor Lei Shao-hua, deputy director of the Department of International Organizations and Public Policy; and Associate Professor Jie Dalei, all from the School of International Studies at Peking University. Participants explored a wide range of pressing global issues, including U.S.-China relations, China's security and defense policies, East Asian security, and the management of bilateral ties through a realist approach. The dialogue also included discussions on the evolving dynamics of great-power relations, fostering mutual understanding and open exchange.

June 17, 2025

Robert Pape: How Trump's New Deal Could End the Liberal International Order

On June 17, 2025, a lecture brought together Professor Robert Pape, Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago and founding director of the Chicago Project on Security and Threats (CPOST), along with faculty members from Peking University's School of International Studies and an audience of students and scholars. The event was moderated by Professor Wang Dong, executive director of the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University (iGCU). Participants

explored a wide range of pressing global issues, including the future of the liberal international order, the impact of Trump-era policies on global governance, the rise of populism and political violence in the United States, and the strategic implications for U.S.-China relations. The dialogue also included discussions on the changing dynamics of great-power competition, fostering mutual understanding and open exchange.

July 5-6, 2025

Global Order Transition and U.S.-China Relations: A Symposium of the Ministry of Education Innovation Team in Philosophy and Social Sciences

On July 5-6, 2025, the symposium on "Global Order Transition and U.S.-China Relations" was held at Peking University. Guided by the Ministry of Education's Department of Social Sciences and co-organized by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding and the Institute for Global Health and Development at Peking University, the event brought together ministry officials and experts from multiple universities. Professor Wang Dong, chief expert of the Innovation Team, moderated the symposium. Participants engaged in in-depth discussions on seven major themes, including global order transition, the U.S.-China-Russia strategic triangle, U.S. foreign policy evolution, economic and non-traditional security issues, and technology-law dynamics. The dialogue offered rich



perspectives for understanding the complexities of contemporary U.S.-China relations.

August 30, 2025

International Communication Symposium — In Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the Victory of the Chinese People’s War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War

On August 30, 2025, the International Communication Symposium in Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the Victory of the Chinese People’s War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War was held at Peking University. Co-hosted by Peking University, China Daily, CGTN, and the International Communication Bureau of the Publicity Department of the CPC Central Committee, the event brought together senior officials, former diplomats, descendants of international friends of China, and leading scholars. Participants explored ways to promote the spirit of the War of Resistance and enhance international communication on China’s role in the world. The symposium also launched the Edgar Snow International Scholars Program, a database on “international friends”, and the “New Era Edgar



Snow” Global Media Interview Program. The dialogue highlighted the enduring relevance of historical friendship and people-to-people exchanges in shaping contemporary narratives.

September 4, 2025

The 11th Lakeside Think Tank International Lecture Series: Former Greek Foreign Minister George Katrougalos on “Multilateralism in a Multipolar World”

On September 4, 2025, the 11th “Lakeside Think Tank International Lecture Series” was held at Peking University’s



ty’s School of International Studies. Professor George Katrougalos, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Greece, Professor of Public Law at Democritus University of Thrace, and Vice President of the International Association of Constitutional Law, delivered a lecture titled “Multilateralism in a Multipolar World.” The event was moderated by Professor Wang Dong, Deputy Director of the Faculty of Social Sciences at Peking University and Professor at the School of International Studies. Participants included Peking University faculty and graduate students. Katrougalos discussed the structural inequalities of the current international order, the decline of U.S. hegemony, and the rise of a multipolar system. He emphasized that genuine multilateral cooperation is essential to building a fairer and more sustainable global governance framework.

July 2, 2025

The “Han Xiangyu SEE China” delegation from the United States visited the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University

On July 2, 2025, the Pacific International Exchange Foundation organized a visit by the “Han Xiangyu SEE China” delegation from the United States to the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding of Peking University. The delegation consisted of 22 American students from top U.S. universities and key high schools, including Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Stanford University, along with 6 accompanying staff members. During the visit, the delegation visited the campus to learn about its campus environment, historical buildings, and teaching facilities, experience the university’s profound academic heritage and unique learning



atmosphere, and deepen their firsthand understanding of China’s higher education development and campus culture.

September 13, 2025

2025 CIFTIS Thematic Forum: Building Smart Cities and Space Infrastructure in a Changing World, and Release of the 2025 BRICS Smart City Ranking and the 2025 Global Space Infrastructure Review

On September 13, 2025, under the framework of the 2025 China International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS), the thematic forum “2025 Thematic Forum of China International Fair for Trade in Services: Building Smart City and Space Infrastructure in a Changing World & Release of 2025 BRICS Smart City Ranking and 2025 Global Space Infrastructure Review” was held at Shougang Park in Beijing. The forum was co-organized by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding at Peking University and the Institute of Urban Internationalization at Zhejiang International Studies University. It received support from Harbor Overseas, the Center for Technology Development and Governance Studies at Tsinghua University, the School of Public Policy at The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen), and the National Engineering Research Center for Geomatics. During the event, two reports—the 2025 BRICS Smart City Ranking

and the 2025 Global Space Infrastructure Review—were jointly released, offering a China-based framework and practical guidelines for the global development of smart cities and space infrastructure.



September 15, 2025

Visit by a Delegation from the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES)

On September 15, 2025, a delegation from the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) visited the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding (iGCU) at Peking University, where they held in-depth discussions and exchanges on hotspot issues in the Middle East with a number of Chinese experts and scholars. The Chinese scholars attending the seminar were Lin Fengmin (Deputy Director of the Office for Humanities and Social Sciences and Professor of the Department of Arabic Language and Literature,



School of Foreign Languages, Peking University), Wang Dong (Deputy Director of the Office for Humanities and Social Sciences, Professor of the School of International Studies, and Executive Director of the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding, Peking University), Zhu Zhaoyi (Executive Director of the Middle East Institute, Think Tank of Peking University HSBC Business School), Lyu Xiaoyu (Assistant Professor of the School of International Studies, Peking University), and Wen Jing (Post-doctoral Fellow at the Center for International Security and Strategy, Tsinghua University and Director of Media and Communication, China Forum). They held discussions with foreign scholars and experts from institutions including the Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI) Milan, T24 News Istanbul, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Political Mind, the European University Institute Florence, the German Bundestag, the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR), the German Federal Foreign Office, the FES Middle East and North Africa Office, and the FES Beijing Representative Office.

September 17, 2025

The 12th China-ROK Policy and Academic Symposium: China-ROK Relations in a Complex and Changing International Landscape

On September 17, the “12th China-ROK Policy Academic Symposium: China-ROK Relations in a Complex and Changing International Landscape” was held at the School of International Studies, Peking University. The symposium was co-hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding at Peking University, the U.S.-China Policy Institute at Ajou University (Korea), and the Plaza Project. Under the theme “China-ROK Relations in a Complex and Changing International Landscape”, scholars and experts from China and the Republic of Korea gathered to engage in in-depth discussions and exchanges on the evolution of the current international strategic landscape, China-Japan-ROK economic security, and the future of bilateral relations.



October 15, 2025

Kristen Looney Lecture: Scale Development and Going Global: A Political Economy Analysis of Chinese Agribusiness Development

On October 15, 2025, the CCAP 30th Anniversary Series, the 162nd Frontiers in Agricultural Economics Lecture,



and the Kim Koo Forum series of the School of International Studies at Peking University, co-hosted by the China Center for Agricultural Policy (CCAP) and the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding at Peking University, were successfully held. Dr. Kristen Looney, Associate Professor at Georgetown University, delivered an academic report entitled “Scale Development and Going Global: A Political Economy Analysis of Chinese Agribusiness Development”. The event was moderated by Professor Liu Chengfang, Boya Distinguished Professor of the School of Advanced Agricultural Sciences at Peking University and Deputy Director of CCAP. Over ten undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral students from Peking University participated in the event.

October 20, 2025

Roman Novozhilov Lecture: The Evolution of the Multilateral Development Financing Landscape and the Rise of the Global South

On October 20, 2025, the “Kim Koo Forum” lecture series of the School of International Studies at Peking University, titled “The Evolution of the Multilateral Development Financing Landscape and the Rise of the Global South”, was held. The lecture was hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding at Peking University. The keynote speaker was Mr. Roman Novozhilov, a senior expert and scholar in international development finance and Head of the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Department at the New Development Bank (NDB). Participants in the discussion included Professor Zhang Zhirong, Tenured Associate Professors Chen Shaofeng and Guo Jie, Assistant Professor Xu Qinyi from the School of International Studies at Peking University, as well as Senior Research Fellow Wang Lian from the Didi Development Research Institute. The event was moderated by Professor Wang Dong, Professor of the School of International Studies at Peking University, Deputy Direc-



tor of the Office of Humanities and Social Sciences

and Director of the Think Tank Center Management Office, and Executive Director of the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding at Peking University. More than ten undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral students from Peking University attended the lecture.

October 25, 2025

80th Anniversary of the Victory of the World Anti-Fascist War and Seminar on the History of Chinese Diplomacy

On October 25, 2025, the “80th Anniversary of the Victory of the World Anti-Fascist War and Seminar on the History of Chinese Diplomacy” was jointly organized by the Xi Jinping Thought on Diplomacy Research Center of the Institute of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era at Peking University and the Peking University Institute of Global Cooperation and Understanding. The seminar was attended by experts and scholars including Wang Puqu, National First-Class Professor of Philosophy and Social Sciences and Dean of the Institute of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese



Characteristics for a New Era at Peking University; Niu Jun, Professor at the School of International Studies of Peking University; Zhang Qingmin, Boya Distinguished Professor of Peking University, Vice Chair of the Academic Committee and Professor at the School of International Studies, and Director of the Xi Jinping Thought on Diplomacy Research Center of the Institute of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era at Peking University; Niu Ke, Associate Professor at the Department of History and Director of the Center for World Modernization Processes at Peking University; Yao Baihui, Professor and Vice Dean of the Institute of Historical Research at Capital Normal University; and Jiao Bing, Editor-in-Chief of the Historical Research Journal of the Chinese Academy of History. The seminar was chaired by Wang Dong, Deputy Director of the Office of Humanities and Social Sciences and Director of the Think Tank Office of Peking University, Professor at the School of International Studies, and Executive Director of the Institute of Global Cooperation and Understanding.

October 29, 2025

Lecture by Robert Blackwill: Is America in Historic Decline?

On October 29, 2025, the “Lakeside Think Tank International Lecture Series” at Peking University, co-hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding (iGCU) and the Institute of International and Strategic Studies (IISS) at Peking University, was held. Mr. Robert D. Blackwill, former U.S. Deputy National Security Advisor, former U.S. Ambassador to India, and Distinguished Visiting Scholar at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University, delivered a keynote lecture titled “Is America in Historic Decline?” The event was moderated by Professor Wang Dong, Professor at the School of International Studies, Deputy Director of the Office of Humanities and Social Sciences, Director of the Office of Think Tank Management, and Executive Director of iGCU at Peking University. Participating discussants included Professor Zhang Qingmin, Professor Wang Yong, Professor Ding Dou, Tenured

Associate Professor Chen Shaofeng (all from the School

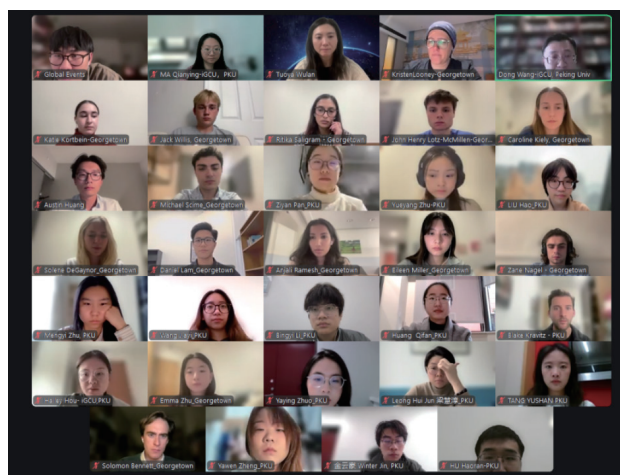


of International Studies, Peking University), Professor Li Quan from the School of Economics, Peking University, Professor Fan Chunliang from the Institutes of Science and Development, Chinese Academy of Sciences, and Professor Zhang Yuwei, Director of the DPS Program at the National School of Development, Peking University. Over ten master's and doctoral students from Peking University also attended the event.

November 6, 13 and 20, 2025

Peking University–Georgetown University Student Dialogue

On November 6, 13 and 20, 2025, the Fall 2025 Peking University–Georgetown University Student Dialogue was held online, co-hosted by the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding (iGCU) at Peking University and the U.S.-China Global Issues Dialogue Program at Georgetown University. About 30 outstanding undergraduate and graduate students from both universities participated in in-depth discussions on five major topics: U.S.-China Relations, U.S.-China Trade, Peace and Security, Climate Change, and Artificial Intelligence. Scholars and experts from both universities joined the dialogue, including Associate Professor Kristen Looney (Georgetown University), Professor Wang Dong (Director of iGCU, School of International Studies, Peking University), Tenured Associate Professor Guo Jie (School of International Studies, Peking University), Postdoctoral Fellow Ma Tao (School of International Studies, Peking University), and



Researcher Hu Bo (Director of the Center for Maritime Strategy, School of International Studies, Peking University).

November 9, 2025

Peking University International Roundtable Dialogue on AI Governance

On November 9, 2025, the Peking University International Roundtable Dialogue on AI Governance was held at the Stanford Center.

It was co-hosted by the Office of Humanities and Social Sciences, the Institute for Artificial Intelligence, and



the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding (iGCU) at Peking University, with support from Qiming Venture Partners. The dialogue focused on two major themes: “Similarities, Differences, and Convergence of AI Governance Models in China and Abroad” and “Balancing the Safety Baseline and Innovative Vitality of Artificial Intelligence”. Jia Qingguo, Wang Dong, Yang Xiaolei and Zhang Yi delivered speeches at the opening ceremony. Distinguished participants included Wu Zhiqiang, Jason Zhou, Li Xiang, Ershov Egor, Luo Hang, Jad Soucar, Liu Lina, Zhang Linghan, Daniel Castro, Lin Siqi, Francis Steen, Qi Kai, and Dmitry Yudin, among others. The event generated productive discussions on challenges in global AI governance cooperation, risk assessment methods, and the balance between innovation incentives and safety regulations.

November 17, 2025

Visit by a Delegation from Singapore's RSIS

On November 17, 2025, a delegation from the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, visited the School of International Studies at Peking University. The two sides engaged in in-depth discussions on topics including U.S.-China bilateral relations, regional governance, and international cooperation. The Chinese participants in-



cluded Professor Jia Qingguo (Standing Committee Member of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, Professor at the School of International Studies, Peking University, and Director of the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding, Peking University), Professor Zha Daojiong (School of International Studies, Peking University), Tenured Associate Professor Chen Shaofeng (School of International Studies, Peking University), and Assistant Professor Xu Qinyi (School of International Studies, Peking University). The Singaporean delegation consisted of Professor Kumar Ramakrishna (Dean of RSIS), Assistant Professor Benjamin Ho (Coordinator of the China Programme), Jane Chan (Senior Fellow and Coordinator of the Maritime Security Programme), Kevin Chen (Associate Research Fellow, U.S. Programme), Chong Dexian (Associate Research Fellow, Maritime Security Programme), and Faizal bin Abdul Rahman (Research Fellow, Regional Security Architecture Programme).

2025 Samuel R. “Sandy” Berger Memorial Fellowship

The Samuel R. “Sandy” Berger Memorial Fellowship was launched in 2019. Endowed by the Berger family through the US-China Education Trust (USCET) to the Peking University Education Foundation (U.S.), and established at the School of International Studies, Peking University, the Fellowship is a significant initiative in promoting people-to-people, cultural, and academic exchanges between China and the United States. It aims to encourage young scholars to continue their efforts in fostering China-U.S. friendship, deepen academic exploration, and adopt a more open and inclusive mindset to view China-U.S. relations objectively and rationally. The program seeks to enable both sides to learn from each other’s strengths through mutual

respect, and to promote a China-U.S. relationship based on coordination, cooperation, and stability. Following multiple rounds of rigorous review and selection conducted jointly by experts and scholars from Peking University, representatives of the US-China Education Trust, and Ms. Susan Berger, the recipients of the 2025 Samuel R. “Sandy” Berger Memorial Fellowship at the School of International Studies, Peking University are: Li Zijian, an undergraduate student majoring in International Organizations and International Public Policy at the School of International Studies, Peking University; and Xiong Zhuohuan, a master’s student majoring in International Relations at the School of International Studies, Peking University.

November 27, 2025

Visit by Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) Delegation

On November 27, 2025, a delegation from the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) visited the School of International Studies at Peking University and held in-depth exchanges with Chinese experts and scholars on major international issues including China-US relations, security on the Korean Peninsula, nuclear policy and arms control. Jia Qingguo (Member of the Standing Committee of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Polit-



ical Consultative Conference, Professor at the School of International Studies, Peking University, and Director of the Institute for Global Cooperation and Understanding, Peking University) and Sergio Grassi (FES Representative to China) delivered opening remarks on behalf of the two sides respectively. Chinese participants included Zha Daojiong (Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University), Han Hua (Associate Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University), and Lyu Xiaoyu (Assistant Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University). The German delegation comprised Angela Kane (former Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs of the United Nations), Götz Neuneck (former Director of the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy, University of Hamburg), Oliver Meier (Director of Policy Research, European Leadership Network), Tobias Fella (Research Fellow, Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy, University of Hamburg), as well as Zhou Huijing and Zhou Qizhuolan, Project Managers at the FES Beijing Representative Office, who joined the discussions.

2025 Professors' Luncheon Series at PKU's School of International Studies

■ March 17, 2025

THEME: From the Progress of UN Climate Negotiations to the Latest Developments in US and European Energy Policies

SPEAKER: Prof. **XU Qinyi** (*Assistant Professor at the School of International Studies, Peking University*)

■ May 30, 2025

THEME: “Pax Britannica”? Britain, the Balance of Power, and Modern European International Politics

SPEAKER: Prof. **MEI Ran** (*Associate Professor at the School of International Studies, Peking University*)

■ October 27, 2025

THEME: Hawkish Bias in Foreign Policy Decision-Making: A Large-Scale Experimental Comparison Between Humans and AI Agents

SPEAKER: Prof. **PANG Xun** (*Professor at the School of International Studies, Peking University*)

■ November 14, 2025

THEME: A Region Beyond Nations: What I Saw, Heard, and Thought on My Journey to Antarctica

SPEAKER: Prof. **KONG Fanjun** (*Professor at the School of International Studies, Peking University*)

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