

# Agenda Overview | April 25, 2019

8:00 - 9:00	Registration
9:00 - 9:05	Introduction
9:05 - 9:30	Opening Remarks
9:30 - 11:00	Panel I: Risks of U.S.-China Strategic Competition
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:45	Panel II: U.S.-China Cooperation in a Global Context
12:45 - 13:45	Luncheon Speech
14:00	Concluding Remarks



# Opening Remarks

9:00

Introduction

**HONG Nong**

Executive Director

Institute for China-America Studies

9:05

Opening Remarks

**WU Shicun**

Chairman of Advisory Board

Institute for China-America Studies

**Gordon HOULDEN**

Director, China Institute

University of Alberta

**LIU Yawei**

Director, China Program

Carter Center



# Panel I: Risks of U.S.-China Strategic Competition

9:30 - 11:00

## Panel I: Risks of U.S.-China Strategic Competition

40 years after the normalization of ties, China and the U.S. stand at a new historic turning point in their bilateral relationship. Despite labelling China as a “revisionist power” and an “economic aggressor” in 2018, the Trump Administration stands on the cusp of a landmark, next-generation trade and investment agreement with Beijing. The two sides also continue to march in lockstep to denuclearize the Korean peninsula. Was the harsh rhetoric of 2018, then, an anomaly? Or is it a precursor to a markedly tougher U.S. approach to bilateral ties in the months and years ahead? What are the key friction points in ties during these last two years of the Trump Administration? And what are the risks for Asia and the world that could stem from bitter and insoluble China-U.S. strategic rivalry?

*Moderated by*

**Douglas H. PAAL**

Distinguished Fellow

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

*Speakers*

**Michael SWAINE**

Senior Fellow

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

*"Security and Politics"*

**Abraham SOFAER**

Senior Fellow

Hoover Institution, Stanford University

*"Diplomacy and the South China Sea"*

**SHEN Dingli**

Professor and Associate Dean

Institute of International Studies, Fudan University

*"If competition is unavoidable, make it healthy"*

**Erin ENNIS**

Vice President

The US-China Business Council

*"Risks and Opportunities of US-China Strategic Competition in Trade and Investment"*



# Panel II: U.S.-China Cooperation in a Global Context

11:15 - 12:45

## Panel II: U.S.-China Cooperation in a Global Context

China and the U.S. face myriad global challenges, none of which are amenable to resolution at a purely national level. Climate change, pandemics, piracy, overfishing, migration, and transnational crime, including the trafficking of illicit drugs, do not respect national boundaries. Concerted global action is essential, especially at a time when a dark cloud hangs over the notion of multilateral cooperation itself. Given the emerging outlines of strategic rivalry in China-U.S. ties, cooperation on global and multilateral challenges offers a pathway forward to stabilize this critical bilateral relationship. Can China and the U.S. find common purpose in addressing these global challenges and seize the opportunities therein, including in Africa where both countries share an interest in the continent's development and prosperity?

Moderated by

**Myron H. NORDQUIST**

Associate Director

Center for Oceans Law and Policy

University of Virginia Law School

*Speakers*

**David BALTON**

Senior Fellow

Woodrow Wilson Center

*"China and the United States: Unlikely Partners on Ocean Issues?"*

**LIU Yawei**

Director

China Program, Carter Center

*"A Modest Proposal for US and China to Increase Mutual Trust: Exploring Trilateral Cooperation in Africa"*

**WANG Zhenyao**

Dean

China Philanthropy Research Institute

Beijing Normal University

*"The Future of Sino-American NGO Cooperation"*

**Sourabh GUPTA**

Senior Fellow

Institute for China-America Studies

*"The Alignment of China-U.S. Interests in Technology Cooperation"*



# Luncheon Speech and Concluding Remarks

12:45 - 13:45

Luncheon Speech

*Speaker*

**Susan THORNTON**

Senior Fellow

The Paul Tsai China Center, Yale Law School

*"US Interests in Sino-American Relations"*

14:00

Concluding Remarks

**HONG Nong**

Executive Director and Senior Fellow

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