



Global China Research Working Seminar

Environmental Policy and Governance

A Dialogue between China and India



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Drawing on his intensive studies on Guangdong Province and a few large cities in other provinces, Prof. Lo will share his research and analysis on China's environmental governance and regulatory enforcement since the 1990s. Prof. Lo has training in law and institutional analysis, and he has focused his research on the broader political and institutional contexts affect the interactions between regulatory agencies, enterprises and civil society. In order to obtain a sound empirical basis for theoretical advancement in environmental governance and public administration, he has employed a wide range of research methods in data collection, including quantitative surveys, qualitative interviews and case studies, and mixed methods with cross-city analysis and time series as the major forms of research design. In recent years, Prof. Lo has worked on extending research scope from regulatory enforcement of pollution control regulations to corporate compliance and eNGO advocacy.

India, as a rising economic power, is witnessing the dual challenge of growth and environmental degradation simultaneously. Despite having the most progressive legislative and administrative governmental machinery, news about poor air quality, heavily polluted water sources and human-nature conflict with forests resources is a regular feature. This work will give a critical view of various stages in the evolution of India's environmental governance strategies, starting from the era of country's independence and ending with contemporary times. Trying to demystify India's environmental governance structure through the lens of policymaking, implementation and monitoring will help in understanding how the Indian administration handles environmental concerns and what the environmental future looks like for India.



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- 12:00–12:10 Welcome & Introduction
By Prof. Yuan Xu
- 12:10–12:40 Researching Environmental Governance in China
Speaker: Prof. Carlos W. H. Lo
- 12:40–13:10 Understanding India's Environmental Governance
Speaker: Dr Deepak Singh
- 13:10–13:45 Q & A session



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