**Research Network "Governance in China" and Association for Social Science Research on China (ASC)**

**Joint International Conference, November 22-23, 2013**

**Organized by: Department of East Asian Studies, Vienna University**
**Venue: centrum für internationale entwicklung, Alois-Wagner-Saal**

**Friday, 22 November 2013**

13:00 - 13:15    Opening Remarks: Christian Göbel (University of Vienna)

13:15 - 14:55    **Individual paper session I**

        Chair: Björn Alpermann (University of Würzburg)

        Sandra Heep, Mikko Huotari (University of Freiburg): Towards a New Financial Order? China between Regional and Global Orientations in Financial Governance

        Discussant: Jörn-Carsten Gottwald (Ruhr-Universität Bochum)

        Katja Levy (Free University of Berlin): Law and Stability in the PR China – An Analysis of the Debate on the Reform of the Re-education through Labor System

        Discussant: Astrid Lipinsky (University of Vienna)

14:55 - 15:15    *Coffee break*

15:15 - 18:00    **Panel 1: How resilient is one-party rule in China? Recent empirical perspectives (with break)**

        Chair: Anna Ahlers (University of Bonn)

        Aurel Croissant (University of Heidelberg): "Resilience of Authoritarian Rule in Comparative Perspectives- Does China fit in?"

        Yang Dali (University of Chicago): "Authoritarian Resilience' in Contemporary China? – A central state perspective"

        Anna Ahlers (University of Bonn), Thomas Heberer (University of Duisburg-Essen/ Zhejiang), Gunter Schubert  (University of Tübingen): "Authoritarian Resilience' in Contemporary China? – A local state perspective"

        Commentary: Andrew J. Nathan (Columbia University): "'Authoritarian Resilience' Revisited'"

19:00    *Dinner*

**Saturday, 23 November 2013**

9:15-12:00 **Panel 2: Emerging information technologies, regime stability, and struggles within/over the Chinese cyber terrain (with break)**

Chairs: Christian Göbel (University of Vienna)/ Maximilian Mayer (University of Bonn)

Madeline Carr (Aberystwith University): Containment in Cyber Space

Christian Göbel (University of Vienna): Social Management Software and Regime Responsiveness in China - technical capabilities and systemic limitations

Kristin Kupfer (University of Freiburg): Wonder Wires? Religious Actors and ICT in China

Maximilian Mayer (University of Bonn): Digital Sovereignty, Infrastructural Power and Cyber Threats – the techno-politics of China's rise

Discussants: Karsten Giese (GIGA) and Jack Qiu (Chinese University of Hong Kong)

12:00-13:30 *Lunch*

13:30-14:20 **Individual Paper Session II**

Chair: Andreas Oberheitmann (Tsinghua University)

Elena Elena Meyer-Clement (University of Tübingen): "Urbanization with Chinese Characteristics" Revisited

Discussant: René Trappel (University of Duisburg-Essen)

14:20-14:40 *Coffee break*

14:40-16:50 **Round table: In the footsteps of the Chinese Communist Party? Pitfalls, challenges and potentials of our collaborative field work and data collection**

Chair: Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik (University of Vienna)

Heike Holbig (University of Frankfurt): The Ideologics of Official Research Funding: Project calls of the National Planning Office of Philosophy and Social Science

Felix Wemheuer (University of Vienna): How to Rescue History from the Party State?

Sascha Klotzbücher (University of Göttingen): Evidence-based policy or policy-based evidence? Explaining patterns of social science research and policy advice in the People's Republic of China

Lena Springer (University of Vienna/Westminster), Katja Pessl (University of Göttingen): Collaborating with Data Collectors in China: Fellow researchers, outcasts, and artists

Christian Göbel University of Vienna): ...Or Should We Rather Not Do It At All? Coping with the selection bias induced by our research partners

16:50-17:00 Concluding Remarks: Christian Göbel (University of Vienna)

17:00-18:00 Business Meeting of the ASC (alternatively: guided walking tour)

19:00 *Conference Dinner*