

## **Abstract**

### **China's Rise, US–China Relations and Implications for East Asia**

The talk consists of three parts. The first focuses on gauging and assessing the “rise” of China in empirical and comparative terms. More specifically, four dimensions (economic power, military caliber, domestic-control, and external adaptiveness) are to be discussed. The second part traces the evolutionary trajectory of US–China relations in the context of China's rise – more specifically, five different contingencies and scenarios. The third, and last, section deals with exploring key ramifications of the former two factors on the security of East Asia, a region that is undergoing an unprecedented level of uncertainties since 1945.