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Biography

Professor Kellee Tsai is Professor and Head of the Division of Social Science at Hong Kong University of Science & Technology; and Professor of Political Science at Johns Hopkins University (on leave, 2013-16). A scholar of contemporary Chinese politics, Tsai's research has influenced broader debates in comparative politics, the political economy of development, and the study of informal institutions and endogenous institutional change.

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