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Biography
Professor Dorothy J Solinger is a Professor Emerita of Political Science at the University of California, Irvine. She has served as Chairman of the China and Inner Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies in 1987-89 and 2013-14, and Co-Director for the UC Irvine Center for Asian Studies from 2004-06.

Professor Solinger's field of specialization is Chinese domestic politics, particularly political sociology. She has focused on political decision-making and social and political reactions to policy about economic and social matters. In recent years, her work has been on laid-off workers, urban poverty policy and the urban poor, and welfare reform. She has also published on transitions from one-party rule in Taiwan, Korea and Mexico and has written several pieces on projections about the democratization of China. She has written, edited and co-edited nearly 100 articles and book chapters; recent ones are Polarized Cities: Portraits of Rich and Poor in Urban China (edited, 2018), Socialism Vanquished, Socialism Challenged: Eastern Europe and China, 1989-2009 (co-edited with Nina Bandelj, Oxford, 2012), States’ Gains, Labor’s Losses: China, France and Mexico Choose Global Liaisons, 1980-2000 (Cornell, 2009) and Contesting Citizenship in Urban China: Peasant Migrants, the State, and the Logic of Market (University of California Press, 1999).