Saturdays, October 2, 9, 16, 20*, 23, 30, 2021

10:00am to Noon. Zoom entry available starting 15 minutes prior to scheduled time

Online via Zoom In-person UVic lecture theatre -see below: (please indicate preferred option)

Emailed to

registrants via Eventbrite two days before first session

\$30.00 for the six sessions.

Art Hanson, Officer of the Order of Canada (OC), and Advisor.

Strong C118

Zoom and On-campus Lecture Theatre (Strong C118) <u>"China and Global Green Prosperity"</u>

Officer of the Order of Canada (OC), and Independent Advisor

"Prosperity of a country and for all people is a condition that goes well beyond financial capital, high GDP, and abundance of material things. Nowadays the term is applied to having access to a broader range of assets and conditions, including those related to natural capital, happiness, even sustainability for our existence. Achieving global prosperity on these broader terms is far from a given, although ambitious efforts such as the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals may help. Global emergencies such as Climate Change and COVID-19 require new multilateral efforts for shared prosperity. Through its domestic development initiatives and some of its external relations China is seeking transformative changes towards what it calls an 'Ecological Civilization' approach. This should relate to a 'global green new deal' for climate change and also for biodiversity conservation, 'green recovery' from the COVID pandemic, and other international green development efforts. The question is whether we can make sufficient progress over this current decade, setting the stage for midcentury success on global green prosperity. And what can we expect from China's contributions?"

Arthur Hanson. 2019. Ecological Civilization in the People's Rep ' tt pp app

Zoom and On-campus Lecture Theatre (Strong C118)

"China As A Global Neighbor: Towards A Rethinking Of Canada-China Relations"

Senator- Senate of Canada (public policy issues – Asian affairs).

"Relations with the People's Republic of China (PRC) will be the single biggest Canadian foreign policy challenge for the foreseeable future. The trajectory of bilateral relations will be shaped, above all, by US-PRC strategic competition. Canadian views on the PRC are defined by a litany of problems in the current relationship, with relatively little reflection on the broader and longer-term problématique. The presentation is based on the author's recent article in International Journal, available at:

https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0020702021996315

The article proposes a reconceptualization of the PRC as Canada's "global neighbour" since, on virtually all the issues that matter to Canada, the PRC is in our neighbourhood, and we are in the PRC's, whether we like it or not. The article offers five principles for the conduct of relations with Beijing—emphasizing the importance of independence in Canadian foreign policy in the context of a Sino–US great power conflict that is likely to persist for decades."

Appointed to the Senate of Canada in November 2016, the Honourable Yuen Pau Woo sits as an independent representing British Columbia. He has been the Facilitator of the Independent Senators Group since 2017, and was re-elected for a second two–year term in December 2019. Sen

Zoom and On-campus Lecture Theatre (Strong C118) <u>"Learning About China: Sipping Through a Firehose"</u>

Senior Associate, ChinaSource and Author.

"China is complicated. It is both a 5000 year old civilization and a 72 year old nation. It has a free-wheeling

Zoom and On-campus Lecture Theatre (Turpin A104)

**10 am Thurs. Oct 21st, Shanghai time

[**Because of the time difference between Shanghai and BC, this presentation will be held in BC on Wednesday Oct 20th evening between 7 and 9 pm]

"China's 14th Five Year Plan: New Policy Directions"

Opinion Editor Yicai Global

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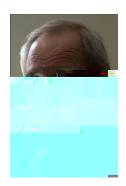
Zoom and On-campus Lecture Theatre (Turpin A110)

"Claws Of The Panda, Beijing's Campaign of Influence and Intimidation in Canada"

Political Commentator, Journalist and Author.

"Canada's long relationship with the People's Republic of China - first based on missionary zeal, followed by diplomacy and trade – has been complicated in the last few decades as a result of covert efforts by Beijing to exert undue influence on Canadian government, educational institutions, and business. Canada has continued to misjudge the reality and potential of the relationship, while the Chinese Communist Party has benefited from Canadian naiveté.

The depth and breadth of self-delusion among Canadian establishment institutions and their belief they have a special friendship with the Chinese Communist Party has been brought into sharp focus by the Huawei Affair. The crisis in bilateral relations following the detention of the company's CFO Meng Wanzhou on a United States extradition request, and the associated detention, torture, and trial in the PRC of Canadians Michael Kovrig and Michael Spavor carries a harsh message. In the future Canada can only have a minimalist, transactional relationship with a regime with which it shares no civic, international or moral values. "



Jonathan Manthorpe has been a foreign correspondent, political reporter, and international affairs columnist for nearly forty years, with extensive TV and radio interview experience.

His last book, Claws of the Panda: Beijing's Campaign of Influencer and Intimidation in Canada, was one of the Globe and Mail Top 100 Books of 2019 and was also shortlisted for the Hubert Evans Non-Fiction Award. He is based in Victoria, BC.

Zoom and On-campus Lecture Theatre (Turpin A110) <u>"The Dragon and the Snow Lion: China's Relationship with Tibet"</u>

Professor UBC (Institute of Asian Research).

"On 21st July 2021, a plane carrying Xi Jinping, the president of China, landed in Kongpo in South-Eastern Tibet. Xi's visit marked the first visit to Tibet by the paramount leader of China. No, other PRC General Secretary or president has ever visited the region. Xi's visit coincided with the 70th anniversary of the 17-point agreement that firmly established Chinese control over Tibet.

This talk will explore the fraught relationship between China and Tibet. For China, Tibet is seen as a nationalistic triumph of "unification" of China's territories, and the past 70 years have marked economic development and social progress, whereas, for the Tibetan, the past 70 years has been a period of Chinese colonization and destruction for Tibetan culture and religion. This presentation will focus on the sources of the conflict and why the Tibet issue remains a problem for China."



Tsering Shakya is an Associate Professor at the Department of Asian Studies and School of Public Policy and Global Affairs (SPPGA) at the Institute of Asian Research, The University of British Columbia. Tsering is a world-renowned and widely published scholar on both historic and contemporary Tibet. His most expansive work to date, *The Dragon in the Land of Snows:* A History of Modern Tibet Since 1947 is the first comprehensive account of Tibet's recent history. Tsering has addressed the European parliament and is regularly invited to advise Western governments on Tibet/China policy as well as fulfilling various public-speaking

engagements. Tsering has contributed to many television and radio programmes, both location documentaries and studio-based discussions