China’s Futures – and the World’s Future

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Friday, 11 February 2011 at the University of Manchester
Organiser: Prof. William A. Callahan
Location: University Place 2.219, University of Manchester

9:00am
Welcome and background
William A. Callahan, University of Manchester

9:30-10:45am
Keynote: The Future of the Chinese Communist Party
Frank Pieke, Leiden University

11am-1pm
Roundtable 1: Events: Spectacles and the Everyday
Chair: Kate Westgarth, FCO
Space for the Future: Exhibiting China in the World at Expo 2010
Astrid Nordin, University of Manchester
Shanghai’s Alternative Futures: the Expo, Jia Zhangke and Cai Guoqiang
William A. Callahan, University of Manchester
The Politics of a Gay and Lesbian Future in Beijing
Will Schroeder, University of Manchester
ScreenSpace: the Present and Future of China’s Screen Culture
Jeesoon Hong, University of Manchester
Discussant: Kevin Latham, SOAS

2-3:15pm
Keynote: China’s Discounted Soft Power and its Peaceful Rise: A Critical Assessment of an Aspiring World Power
Shi Yinhong, Renmin University of China

3:30-5:30
Roundtable 2: Processes: Modernization, Development, Nationalism
Chair: Frank Pieke, Leiden University
Towards a ‘Developed’ Future: Modernisation Discourses in China
Elena Barabantseva, University of Manchester
Paul C. Irwin Crookes, University of Manchester
China’s Future Nuclear Strategy
Nicola Horsburgh, Oxford University
Using the Past to (Re-)write the Future: Building a Chinese School of IR Theory
Linsay Cunningham-Cross, University of Manchester
The Futures of Chinese Nationalism: Confucianism and China’s Nation-building
Kelvin Cheung, University of Manchester
Discussant: Shogo Suzuki, University of Manchester