

The 7th PKU-UTokyo Forum

Wednesday 13 January 2021

Tokyo, Japan 13:00-17:00 / Beijing, China 12:00-16:00

Zoom webinar

Theme: “Future Direction of US-China-Japan Relations Post the U.S. Presidential Election”



Overview

Although the world has dramatically changed its social system, economic landscape, and communication style due to the profound shock of the COVID-19 crisis, China, Japan, and the United States remain the most important powers in Asia, now and in the future. The relationships between them are the foundation of stability in Asia, but may also become a major cause of conflict in the region. Under Trump's four-year tenure, the United States has shifted its policy toward China, questioned the value of traditional U.S. alliances, and challenged the established norms of international relations on many fronts. What will the new Biden administration mean for Asia, and what effect will it have on relations between these three countries? What new forms of cooperation and leadership can be expected?

Under the theme “Future Direction of US-China-Japan Relations Post the U.S. Presidential Election,” this workshop will engage political, economic and health policy experts in discussions about the implications of the new U.S. administration for Asia, and the potential opportunities and challenges for the three major powers.

Session structure

Following a short introduction by the moderator (5 min), each panelist will present their research work (20 min each), and the moderator will pose questions to panelists and engage the audience in discussion.

Session 1:

The U.S.-China-Japan Relationship from Political and Economic Perspectives

The relationship between the U.S., China, and Japan has changed dramatically in the past few years. How should Japan and China view the results of the 2020 U.S. presidential election? How will this affect the global order and what impact will it have on Asia? This session will explore the dynamics of the relationship between the U.S.,

China, and Japan from political and economic perspectives, and will discuss how to build trust and cooperation under the new leadership.

Session 2:

The US-China-Japan Relationship and Global Governance

Ongoing crises that are the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and its impact, and the global economic downturn and related risks have put new and particular demands on international institutions and leadership for global governance. However, at the same time, rise of populism and “country first” politics have threatened the principles of international cooperation and works of the multilateral institutions. What is the link between global governance arrangements, power relations between the US, China, and Japan, and transformation in global issues? This session will explore the challenges and opportunities facing the global governance system, and policy implications of the US-China-Japan relationship for global issues.

Programme	
<p>12:00 Beijing (BJ) 13:00 Tokyo (TK)</p>	<p>Opening Remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hideaki Shiroyama, Professor, Graduate Schools for Law and Politics, the University of Tokyo ● Tang Shiqi, Dean School of International Studies, Peking University
Session 1: The U.S.-China-Japan Relationship from Political and Economic Perspectives	
<p>12:10-13:25 (BJ) 12:10-12:15 (Intro.) 12:15-12:35 (Panelist 1) 12:35-12:55 (Panelist 2) 12:55-13:25 (Discussion)</p> <p>13:10-14:25 (TK) 13:10-13:15 (Intro.) 13:15-13:35 (Panelist 1) 13:35-13:55 (Panelist 2) 13:55-14:25 (Discussion)</p>	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yu Tiejun, Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University <p>Panelist:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gui Yongtao, Associate Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University ● Yasuhiro Matsuda, Professor, Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, the University of Tokyo <p>General discussion</p>

<p>13:25-13:35 (BJ) 14:25-14:35 (TK)</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>Session 2: The US-China-Japan Relationship and Global Governance</p>	
<p>13:35-15:50 (BJ) 13:35-13:40 (Intro.) 13:40-14:00 (Panelist 1) 14:00-14:20 (Panelist 2) 14:20-14:45 (Discussion) 14:45-15:05 (Panelist 3) 15:05-15:25 (Panelist 4) 15:25-15:50 (Discussion)</p> <p>14:35-16:50 (TK) 14:35-14:40 (Intro.) 14:40-15:00 (Panelist 1) 15:00-15:20 (Panelist 2) 15:20-15:45 (Discussion) 15:45-16:05 (Panelist 3) 16:05-16:25 (Panelist 4) 16:25-16:50 (Discussion)</p>	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hideaki Shiroyama, Professor, Graduate Schools for Law and Politics, the University of Tokyo <p>Panelist:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keisuke Iida, Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, the University of Tokyo ● Lei Shaohua, Assistant Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University <p>General discussion</p> <p>Panelist:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bei Jin, Assistant Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, the University of Tokyo ● Zha Daojiong, Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University <p>General discussion</p>
<p>15:50-16:00 (BJ) 16:50-17:00 (TK)</p>	<p>Closing Remarks by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DONG Zhaohua, Associate Professor, Vice Dean of School of International Studies, Peking University ● Akio Takahara, Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, the University of Tokyo