State and Society under Xi Jinping: The First Five Years A Specialist Group Workshop

Date: Friday 5th January 2018

Place: Partner institution in London (Venue TBC)

Call for Papers

The 19th National Congress of the Communist Party of China in Autumn 2017 marks five years since Xi Jinping acceded to the position of General Secretary of the Communist Party. This one-day workshop will bring together academics and other China professionals to examine developments in China's politics and society over this period.

How has the structure of China's Party-state evolved under the Xi administration? How effective has the anti-corruption campaign been? What continuities and changes have been observable in the Party's ideology and legitimation discourses? How has the Chinese public engaged with the new administration, and how has it responded to their demands? What strategies has the administration employed in controlling the media and civil society? Finally, how might we conceptualise the Party-state's attempts to handle challenges to its authority in Tibet, Xinjiang and Hong Kong?

We welcome proposals for papers that address question in these areas, or similar topics relating to Xi's first five years in office. We also welcome papers analysing developments in China from an international comparative perspective. The workshop will consist of two panel sessions, followed by a concluding roundtable discussion.

The workshop is organised by Phil Entwistle (University College Dublin) and Liam McCarthy-Cotter (Nottingham Trent University) in association with the Political Studies Association Politics and Policy in Southeast and East Asia Specialist Group. Contributors will include Jonathan Sullivan (University of Nottingham) and Kerry Brown (King's College London).

Submission Guidelines

Paper abstracts (300 words maximum) should be sent to philip.entwistle@ucd.ie with the subject line: 'Abstract: State and Society under Xi Jinping'.

The submission deadline is 10th September 2017.

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