


Harvesting the winds of change: China and the global actors

Belgrade, Republic of Serbia | October 10-11, 2024

MASTER AGENDA

DAY	TIMING	EVENT	VENUE
Oct. 9	18.30	Pre-Conference Dinner	<i>/by invitation only/</i>

DAY	TIMING	EVENT	VENUE: CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL
DAY 1 October 10	08.45 – 09.20	Registration	Crowne Plaza Hotel Foyer
	09.30 – 10.20	Official Opening Ceremony	Exhibition Hall
	10.20 – 10.50	Keynote Speech 1	
	10.50 – 11.00	Group Photo	
	11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break 1	Crowne Plaza Hotel Foyer
	11.30 – 13.00	Panel 1 & Panel 2 <i>/in parallel/</i>	Exhibition Hall (Panel 1) & Baltic Room (Panel 2)
	13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break	Crowne Plaza Hotel Restaurant
	14.00 – 15.10	Panel 3 & Panel 4 <i>/in parallel/</i>	Exhibition Hall (Panel 3) & Baltic Room (Panel 4)
	15.10 – 15.15	Technical Break	
	15.15 – 16.30	Panel 5 & Panel 6 <i>/in parallel/</i>	Exhibition Hall (Panel 5) & Baltic Room (Panel 6)
	16.30 – 17.00	Coffee Break 2	Crowne Plaza Hotel Foyer
	17.00 – 18.10	Panel 7 & Panel 8 <i>/in parallel/</i>	Exhibition Hall (Panel 7) & Baltic Room (Panel 8)
18.10 – 18.20	Day 1 Conclusions	Exhibition Hall	

DAY	TIMING	EVENT	VENUE: INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS
DAY 2 October 11	COMPASS Day		
	08.30 – 08.50	Registration – Day 2	IIPE Solemn Hall
	09.00 – 09.10	COMPASS Day Opening	
	09.10 – 09.15	Group Photo	
	09.15 – 09.45	Keynote Speech 2	
	09.45 – 11.00	Panel 9 (COMPASS Panel)	
	11.00 – 12.00	Catering & Coffee Break	IIPE Library
	12.00 – 13.00	Panel 10	IIPE Solemn Hall
	13.05 – 14.40	Panel 11	IIPE Solemn Hall
	14.40 – 14.50	Conference Closure	IIPE Solemn Hall

Side events (October 10)

TIMING	EVENT	PLACE
10.00 – 16.30	Business Expo (Chinese Chamber of Commerce)	Hotel Foyer
18.30 – 20.00	Solemn Cocktail Reception <i>/all guests/</i>	Crowne Plaza

Day 1 venue: **Crowne Plaza Hotel**, 10 Vladimira Popovića St., Belgrade

Day 2 venue: **Institute of International Politics and Economics**, 25 Makedonska St. Belgrade

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DETAILED AGENDA

DAY 1 – OCTOBER 10

08.45 – 09.20	Registration of Participants	Crowne Plaza Foyer
09.30 – 10.20	Official Opening Ceremony <i>Conférencier</i> : Dr. Aleksandar Mitić	Exhibition Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr. Branislav Đorđević, IPE Director • H.E. Mr. Marko Đurić, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia • H.E. Mr. Li Ming, Ambassador Plenipotentiary and Extraordinary of the PR China to the Republic of Serbia • Mr. Yang Dong, President of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Republic of Serbia • Prof. Dr. Feng Zhongping, Director IES, CASS, Beijing 	
10.20 – 10.50	Keynote Speech 1 Richard Sakwa : Russo-Chinese Relations in a Time of War	Exhibition Hall
10.50 – 11.00	Group Photo	Exhibition Hall
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee Break 1	Crowne Plaza Foyer
11.30 – 13.00	Panel 1: CHINA AND THE RETURN OF THE GREAT POWER STORM Moderated by: Vladimir Trapara	Exhibition Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks by: Mr. Yu Jiang, Vice President, China Institute of International Studies, Beijing • Greg Simons: Global North's Final Stand: Interpreting Geopolitics in the Fifth Dimension of Strategy • Zeno Leoni: The two Cold Wars and the return to geopolitical blocs • Dušan Proroković: USA vs China: Battle for the 21st century • Vanja Rokvić: Back to the Future: The U.S. – China AI Arms Race? • Ivica Bakota, Zvonimir Stopić, and Mato Njavro: Avoiding "Xiazi mo xiang" and "Zhi lu wei ma" tropes in understanding historical development of the Chinese foreign policy thought • Jelena Gledić: Evolving paradigms of international order: Chinese categorization of foreign relations 	
12.50 – 13.00	Discussion & Panel Closure	

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11.30 – 13.00	Panel 2: CHINA AND THE GLOBAL SOUTH: EMERGENT POLES, DIVERGENT PATHS?	Baltic Room
	Moderated by: Nevena Šekarić Stojanović	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks by: Mr. Li Yongquan, Director, Euro-Asian Social Development Research Institute • Marek Hrubec: The Global South, a community with developing characteristics • Khalid Taimur Akram: China Role in the Global South: Growing economic power • Carola Ramon: China and the United States: A balancing act for Latin America • Antonina Habova: The Place of Latin America in China's Global Strategy • Jovana Nikolić: China in Latin America: Economic Results and Prospects of the Belt and Road Initiative • Iulia Monica Oehler-Sincai: China's role in the BRICS+ 	
12.50 – 13.00	Discussion & Panel Closure	

13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break	Hotel Restaurant
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14.00 – 15.10	Panel 3: CHINA AND RUSSIA: THE DYNAMICS OF AN EVOLVING PARTNERSHIP	Exhibition Hall
	Moderated by: Aleksandar Mitić	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alexander Lukin: China and Shanghai Cooperation Organization in the new geopolitical reality • Nikola Rajić: The genesis of the Sino-Russian strategic partnership since the escalation of the Ukrainian crisis • Maximilian Ohle: Peace Facilitator or Shirker? China's Ukraine policy and its impact on contemporary Sino-Russian relations • Ladislav Zemánek: Sino-Russian Partnership: Boosting Synergies in Global Strategy • Elena Jovičić and Nevena Jolović: Sino-Russian economic relations amidst global uncertainties 	
15.00 – 15.10	Discussion & Panel Closure	

14.00 – 15.10	Panel 4: CHINA AND MULTILATERALISM: HORIZONS OF NORMATIVE POWER	Baltic Room
	Moderated by: Bogdan Stojanović	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duško Dimitrijević: The role of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations • Jovana Tijanić: From Non-participation to "Shared Future" Vision - China's Involvement in the United Nations • Zoltan Voros and Istvan Tarrosy: China's multipolar visions in a bipolar-bound world? • Diogo Cardoso: Geopolitics and space power: Risks and implications of the People's Republic of China's Space Programme and the Space Silk Road • Inês Rito: China's cyber sovereignty and the United Nations: Navigating tensions in global cyber governance 	
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15.10 – 15.15	Technical Break	
15.15 – 16.30	Panel 5: GREEN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COOPERATION BETWEEN CHINA AND SERBIA	Exhibition Hall
	Moderated by: Nenad Stekić	
	Introductory Speeches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Aleksandar Dujanović, State Secretary of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of the Republic of Serbia Ms. Maggie Huang, Chief Executive GM, Overseas Operations of Zijin Mining Group 	
	Panel Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Maggie Huang, Chief Executive GM, Overseas Operations of Zijin Mining Group Mr. Aleksandar Vojvodić, Chief Engineer, Clean Serbia project, China Road and Bridge Corporation Serbia Branch Mr. Vladan Mihajlović, COO, HBIS Mr. Nebojša Lukač, Manager, Attorney at law, PwC 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation of CSR Reports Release: CCC Presentation of the ESG Report Release: CRBC Presentation of CSR Reports Release: Serbia Zijin Copper Presentation of CSR Reports Release: Serbia Zijin Mining 	
16.20 – 16.30	Final Remarks and Panel Conclusion	

15.15 – 16.30	Panel 6: CHINA AND THE PERSPECTIVES OF ASIAN CONNECTIVITY	Baltic Room
	Moderated by: Dušan Proroković	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stefano Valente: China and Turkey: New balances in the Mediterranean? Najla Alzarooni: An aligned partnership: China-Gulf relations for greater Global South Coordination in the Middle East Davoud Gharayagh-Zandi: The Potential Challenges of the Sino-Iran 25-year Comprehensive Cooperation Plan: Concerning on the alliance security dilemma Huseyin Bagci: Understanding Turkish foreign policy towards Uyghur Turks in China: A multifaceted analysis Carla Melo: The geoeconomic strategy in Northeast Asia: National interests vs. regional integration Tiago Botelho dos Santos and Diogo Borges: The BRI 2.0 and the role of Nepal as a South-Southeast Asian connector 	
16.20 – 16.30	Discussion & Panel Closure	

16.30 – 17.00	Coffee Break 2	Hotel Foyer
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17.00 – 18.10	Panel 7: CHINA AND THE EU: BETWEEN STRATEGIC AUTONOMY AND INTERDEPENDENCE	Exhibition Hall
	Moderated by: Nenad Stekić	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marjan Svetličič: EU relations with China: From underestimating to decoupling? • Bart Dessein: China, the Global South, and the European Union: Grasping Opportunities, Acting Pragmatically • Jizhou Zhao: China and the European Union in the Arctic: With the 'Ice Silk Road' construction as a case • Nevena Šekarić Stojanović: EU-China renewable energy cooperation: Barriers and prospects • Adela Gjorgjioska: Process tracing the evolution of German-China relations amidst the Ukraine War • Mehreen Gul: EU actorness on trial: Can the European Union forge a cohesive China strategy? • Orazio Maria Gnerre: China and Europe, "Entente Cordiale" on global governance? 	
18.00 – 18.10	Discussion & Panel Closure	

17.00 – 18.10	Panel 8: BELT AND ROAD INITIATIVE: PATHS OF THE SECOND DECADE	Baltic Room
	Moderated by: Katarina Zakić	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Song Lilei and Liang Cai: Connectivity Strategy: A Comparative Study between China and the EU • Lyu Yuan: Developmental dynamics of the Belt and Road Initiative: Conceptual analysis and case studies • Chaoting Cheng: The economic and strategic efficiencies of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) • Ju Weiwei: China-CEEC cooperation: Reset and new prospects • Ruojie Xu: The Genesis and Impact of "Pan-geopolitics" • Elena Safronova: The importance of the BRI as an instrument of China's soft power 	
18.00 – 18.10	Discussion & Panel Closure	

18.10 – 18.20	Day 1 Conclusions	Exhibition Hall
	Moderated by: Aleksandar Mitić	

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DAY 2 – OCTOBER 11

09.00 – 09.10	COMPASS Day Opening <i>Conférencier: Nenad Stekić</i>	IIPE Solemn Hall
	Welcome Note & COMPASS Project Presentation Ivona Lađevac, COMPASS Project PI	
09.10 – 09.15	Group Photo	IIPE Library
09.15 – 09.45	Keynote Speech 2 Katarina Zakić, Head of the BRI Centre, IIPE Serbian development path of FDIs – Navigating between the EU and China Moderated by: Nenad Stekić	IIPE Solemn Hall
09.45 – 11.00	Panel 9: INNOVATION PRACTICES IN FOREIGN POLICY RESEARCH – COMPASS Project Moderated by: Jelica Gordanić	IIPE Solemn Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ivona Lađevac, COMPASS Project PI: Serbia and China: From strategic partnership towards community with shared future Nenad Stekić: The COMPASS Dataset: A new approach to indexing Serbia's policy trends Branislav Đorđević and Pavle Nedić: Serbia's security relations with the EU and China in the evolving international environment Sanja Filipović: Serbia between China and the EU: Analysis of foreign trade commodities exchange Aleksandar Mitić: A decade of Serbia's EU accession process: Implications for Sino-Serbian political relations 	
10.50 – 11.00	Discussion & Panel Closure	
11.00 – 12.00	Coffee & Catering Break	IIPE Library
12.00 – 13.00	Panel 10: CHINA IN THE WESTERN BALKANS: TESTING NEW GROUNDS Moderated by: Katarina Zakić	IIPE Solemn Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ljiljana Stević and Slobodan Popović: Military-to-military diplomacy and cooperation between China and Serbia: Genesis and future prospects Muamer Hirkić: Binary Perceptions and Irreconcilable Differences: European Union and Chinese Policies towards Bosnia and Herzegovina Mitko Arnaudov and Nataša Pajić: EU and Chinese interests at the Western Balkans crossroads: Economic challengers or political and security competitors Noela Mahmutaj: EU-China in the Western Balkans: Different agendas? Jovana Dubonjac: A Decade of Belt and Road Initiative in the Countries of Former Yugoslavia: Infrastructure Projects Dragan Trailović: "Steel friendship" of the political elites: How China became a soft power player in Serbia 	
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13.00 – 13.05	Technical Break	
13.05 – 14.40	Panel 11: CHINA CASE STUDIES: POLITICAL, SECURITY, AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC DOMAINS	IIFE Solemn Hall
	Moderated by: Marina Kostić Šulejić and Nevena Stanković	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stanislav Myšička: China's Use of Military Force: What the Sino-Vietnamese War of 1979 can (still) teach us • Marcela Ganea: Criticism of China in 2024 • Sava Mitrović: Multi-Vector Foreign Policy of Small States: Leveraging Azerbaijan's Geo-Economic Determinants in Foreign Policy Strategy • Gökhan Tekir: China and Global Capital Actors • Alexandra Filius: A biographical study of Chinese PhD students' experiences in European higher education • Jasminka Simić and Ako Chubiyoyo Abbah: How to Reach the Equal Outcome through "Win-Win" Cooperation – Case Studies of Serbia and Nigeria within the BRI • Ilkay Gokcek Kapan: The relationship between China and the EU: Evaluation within the framework of security • Bowen Gu: Tracing Chinese engagement in the energy transition: A tale of two industrial parks • Hajer Trabelsi: Beyond the Pandemic: Geopolitical Shifts and the evolution of Global Order in the wake of COVID-19 	
14.25 – 14.40	Discussion & Panel Closure	
14.40 – 14.50	CONFERENCE CLOSURE	IIFE Solemn Hall

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