

Panel: China and Global Governance (Cosmos & Violet Room)

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Piracy, wealth polarization, resources depletion, WMD proliferation, environmental problems, and widespread poverty all compose foreign policy agendas Beijing promises to address. China's status discrepancy however between the 2nd largest economy and a still developing country with confused identity among Chinese complicates Beijing's coherent policy making with respect to global governance. Dichotomized view of the world phrased with the notion of the West vs. China further hampers synchronized efforts with advanced countries in dealing with the cross-national problems. Status-quo powers therefore need to foster favorable winner's club identity construction milieu for Beijing in an effort to sustain international "balance of interests" between status-quo coalition and the potentially revisionist power. This system-level stabilization will further lead to consolidating a stable, unit-level "balance of interests" within China between globally satisfied elites and regional hegemon-minded military junta. Borrowing concepts from a neo-classical realism, a method to have global governance friendly China then could be found in proactively engaging the rising power in a manner the West does not intend to contain it, but wishes to stand jointly victorious in winning the common tasks.

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