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"African Studies in China: Past, Present and Future"



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China's policy toward Africa has been influenced by Japan's aid philosophy and its policy framework toward Africa, the TICAD (Tokyo International Conference on African Development) process. On the other hand, Japan's policy toward Africa in the past decade has been fundamentally shaped by the growing presence of China in Africa and the FOCAC (Forum on China-Africa Cooperation) process. However, there has been no serious research so far about the mutual influence between China and Africa in the area of political and economic relationships with Africa. The triangular interactions between Africa, China, and Japan should also be examined in light of the latest trend in global political economy: the relative retreat of Euramerica from Africa and the historical reemergence of Afrasia. As part of the joint endeavour to promote horizontal academic collaboration between Africa and Asia, in this seminar, the leading Chinese Africanist, Professor Liu Haifang, will speak about the origin, the present situations, and the future prospect of African studies in China, which are not necessarily known widely outside China, especially given that China's African policy has been very much supported by China's African studies and China's long experience to learn from Japan for much over a century.

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