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## **EU-CHINA: Implications of the Beijing Summit (held 30 October 2003)**

**Venue:** Hotel Crowne Plaza, Rue de la Loi 107, Brussels

**Dates :** November 6, One day International Conference

### *Preliminary Programme*

**13:30 Registration and Coffee**

**14:00 Introduction to the EU-China International Conference**

Chair: Dr. Peter R. Weilemann, Director, **Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung**, European Office, Brussels

Co-Chair: Mr Jürgen Wilke, Head of Unit for China, Institute for International Contact and Co-operation, **Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung**, Munich

#### **The Outcome of the EU-China summit in Beijing**

Ms Cristina Ravaglia, Counsellor and Head of the North East Asia Desk, **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy**  
**Italian Presidency of the European Union**

Mr Ma Zhao Xu, Minister Counsellor,  
**Embassy of the People's Republic of China, Brussels**

Mr Jan-Willem Blankert, Principal Administrator China Unit, Relations with China,  
**DG External Relations, Directorate H – Asia, European Commission**

**15:00 First Session**

#### **Beyond the figures: Socio-economic challenges facing China**

Mr. Dick Gupwell, Secretary General, **European Institute for Asian Studies, Brussels**

China's economic transition – a model of gradualism?

Dr Willem van der Geest, Director, **European Institute for Asian Studies, Brussels**

China's membership in the WTO – what progress so far?

Prof. Chai Yu, Deputy Chief, Department of Economics,  
**Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing**

China's rural/urban dichotomy, urbanisation and movement of workers

Dr Leila Fernandez-Stembridge, **Universidad Autonoma de Madrid, Madrid**

*Open Discussion*

**15:45 Coffee break**

**16:00 Second Session**

**Political reform - Governance issues**

Chair: Mr Per Gahrton MEP,

Vice-Chairman, **EP Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China**

China' s political transition: trends and prospects

Prof. Zhang Wei-wei, **Modern Asia Research Centre**, Geneva, and Professor **Fudan University**, Shanghai

China's social reform as an issue of governance

Prof Elisabeth Croll, **School of Oriental and African Studies**, London

Reform of the Educational system in China

Prof. Dr. Li Chaojie, **Beijing University**, Beijing

Governance issues in China: what implications for the EU-China dialogue?

Prof. Suzanne Weigelin-Schwriedzik, **University of Vienna**

*Open Discussion*

**17:15 Coffee break**

**17:30 Third Session**

**Global and Regional Security Issues**

Chair: Brigitte Langenhagen, MEP

**EP Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China**

What comes first in China's regional policy? Chances and challenges for a new engagement

Prof. Wang Xiaolu, **National Economic Research Institute**, China Reform Foundation, Beijing

A new dialogue on security cooperation between China, EU and NATO

Dr Jamie Shea, Director of Information and Press, **NATO**, Brussels

*Open Discussion*

**Academic Summaries and Policy Implications for EU-China relations**

Prof. Zhang Wei-wei, **Modern Asia Research Centre**, Geneva, and Professor **Fudan University**, Shanghai

Prof. Gustaaf Geeraerts, **Centre for Peace and Security Studies**, **Free University**, Brussels (VUB)

**19:00 Close of the meeting followed by Reception**