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## **Challenges and Priorities for China's Two Hundred Years Goals**

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### **Abstract:**

There have been so many great changes in Chinese political, economic and social life since President Xi Jinping has become the top leader of China. Everything that changes is referred to as the “New Normal” or the “New Era”. Nevertheless, there are some things unchanged behind the changed, at least, for instance, the fundamental goals for China's development in the long term. That is to have constructed a Xiaokang Society by 2020, to have made China a modernized country by 2050 and to then realize the rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Mr. Xi Jinping refers to them as the “Two Hundred Years' Goals” and the “Chinese Dream”. However, in order to reach the “Two Hundred Years' Goals” China faces great challenges, and even risks. The presentation will explain and analyze the main challenges faced by China. Meanwhile, the speaker tries to summarize and evaluate the policy priorities to meet these challenges taken on by the Chinese government.



### **Biography:**

Prof. Yu Keping (Director of the Center for Chinese Government Innovations at Peking University, Director of the Institute of Political Development at Tsinghua University and Director of the China Center for Global Governance and Development (CCGGD)) is a frequent visitor at IN-EAST and Mercator Fellow of the DFG Research Training Group Risk and East Asia. His fields of expertise include political philosophy, comparative politics, globalization, civil society, governance and politics in China. Among his many books are Governance and Rule of Law in China (ed., Brill, 2012) and Democracy Is A Good Thing (Brookings, 2010). As a leading intellectual in China, Professor Yu was selected as one of the “30 most influential figures in the past 30 years since the reform in China” in 2008 and ranked 19 in “2011 Global Top 100 Thinkers” by Foreign Policy magazine.