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AN ELITE FORUM FOR CHINA POLICY DISCUSSION

The inaugural UC San Diego Forum on U.S.-China Relations, held in August 2019, has set the standard for informed, constructive and creative conversations about China and U.S.-China relations. Participants found the setting and substantive discussions informative and useful for their practice and believe the ideas generated from the convening will influence future U.S. policies toward China. Chatham House rules were applied at the forum to ensure maximum candor from all participants. A list of participants, media coverage and the fifteen key takeaways report is available at chinaforum.ucsd.edu.

A DYNAMIC HUB FOR PUBLIC CONVERSATION

We are proud to be one of the most active hubs in the country for public discussions on China and U.S.-China relations among concerned citizens, local leaders, students and scholars. In 2019, we welcomed more than 3,000 participants to over 20 public events at UC San Diego with stimulating presentations by academics, journalists, policymakers, filmmakers, diplomats and business leaders ranging from activism to financial reform and environmental policies.

Joe Tsai, co-founder and executive vice chairman of Alibaba Group, delivered the fourth Sowkanlok Distinguished Lecture on **Feb. 14, 2019**, discussing how the relationship between U.S.-China will be the most important international and geopolitical question of our time.



The Honorable Kevin Rudd, 26th Prime Minister of Australia, keynoted the eighth annual Robert F. Ellsworth Memorial Lecture on **Nov. 4, 2019**, and defined the Great Global Decoupling.



On **Oct. 3, 2019**, a panel of Chinese and American experts examined how historical examples such as the Cold War can illuminate the U.S.-China dynamics of competition in the age of globalization and economic interdependence.



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FRONTIERS OF RESEARCH

China Data Lab experiments with the latest data analytic methods for studying China. Visit chinadatalab.ucsd.edu for blogs and project descriptions.

As part of the lab, this year we launched the “China From the Ground Up” survey, which explores the diversity of perspectives in the Chinese society in order to gain a more textured picture of the Chinese people’s everyday concerns, opinions and values.

The center also curates an online journal of papers by our scholars, published through Social Science Research Network, the largest repository of social science and humanities papers. Visit china.ucsd.edu/research to learn more.

CONSTRUCTIVE POLICY DEBATES

Our researchers make a great impact on policy discussions through media engagement. Our scholars are quoted on a weekly basis by the world’s top news outlets, including the New York Times, The Washington Post, South China Morning Post, Bloomberg and the Wall Street Journal. We also organize policy dialogues and contribute to original policy analyses to impact the direction of U.S.-China relations. To read our reports, visit china.ucsd.edu/policy-analysis.

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