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Climate Talks at the German Embassy

Invitation to a Seminar on

“Co-Benefits of Climate Change Mitigation- German and Chinese Perspectives”

Speakers:

Dr. Sebastian Helgenberger, IASS
Prof. Dr. Wang Yi, CASISD

Moderator
Dimitri De Boer
China Carbon Forum

Monday, 26 September 2016, at 5.00 pm

at **German Embassy – European Hall**
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Programme:

- 5:00 pm Welcome by Mr. Ralf Becker
(German Embassy, Environment Counsellor)
- 5:10 pm Speech by Dr. Sebastian Helgenberger
(IASS Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, Potsdam)
“Co-Benefits of Climate Change Mitigation”
- 5:35 pm Speech by Professor Dr. Wang Yi
(ISD Institutes of Science and Development, CAS, Beijing)
“China’s Green Development and Co-Benefit Policy during the 13th FYP”
- 6:00 pm Questions and Answers
(moderated by Mr. Dimitri de Boer, China Carbon Forum)
- 6:30 pm Standing Buffet Reception

Dr. Sebastian Helgenberger heads the Energy Transition Programme at IASS. He graduated in Environmental Studies at Leuphana University Lüneburg and conducted his master thesis at ETH Zurich on the societal impact of knowledge co-production among science and society. He also holds a PhD in socio-economics. Between 2010 and 2014 Sebastian held the position as scientific research coordinator for European Research Policy at BOKU Centre for Global Change and Sustainability in Vienna, where he also chaired the international JPI Climate Working Group of research funders and experts on ‘societal transformation in the face of climate change’. Between 2010 and 2013 Sebastian Helgenberger coordinated the organizational development of the Climate Change Centre Austria (CCCA) as national alliance of climate research institutions and managed the CCCA secretariat during this period. He is currently focusing on the international dimension of Germany’s energy transition (Energiewende) as well as on mobilizing the socio-economic co-benefits of renewable energy policies for ambitious and effective climate change mitigation strategies and policies. Dr. Helgenberger’s recent publications also address secure and sustainable power generation in a water-constrained world as well as the role of research in supporting energy system transitions.

Prof. Dr. WANG Yi is Vice President of CASISD, Institutes of Science and Development in the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) and a member of the Standing Committee of the 12th National People’s Congress (NPC) of China. Prior to this Dr. WANG was Professor and Director-General of CAS Institute of Policy and Management (2005-2015) as well as Professor of Public Policy. He holds a Bachelor Degree of Environmental Engineering from Tsinghua University and a Ph.D. in ecology from the University of the Chinese Academy of Science (UCAS). Dr. Wang’s posts include i.a. Professor of Energy and Environmental Policy, Dean at the Department of Sustainable Development of UCAS School of Public Policy and Management; Team Leader and Chief Scientist of the annual China Sustainable Development Report (CSDR); Deputy Director, CAS Climate Change Research Center; Member of the 3rd Committee of Expert on Climate Change of China. He is an advisor/member of a dozen of domestic and international institutions related to energy, environment and sustainable development. His research interests include public policy and strategic study related to sustainable development, especially in the fields of green transition and development strategy, energy and climate change policy, integrated river basin management and comprehensive planning for resource, environment and development. His research has contributed to many of China’s current policies and institutional arrangements for environmental protection, green and low carbon transition His major publications include the annual CSDR, “Towards a Sustainable Asia” and the “China Study Report” series.