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## Capitalist Transformation without Democratization: Local Policy and the Chinese Developmental State

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19:00 - Doors Open

19:30 - Lecture

20:15 - Q&A

20:45 - Mixer/Drinks/Dinner

China scholars and political observers disagree on the Chinese political system's stability and legitimacy, and on its capacity to ensure its durability over time. What are the major features of the current operating mode of the system and how can we make sense of the astonishing fact that a rising power undergoing rapid capitalist transformation can do without "Western democratization," at least so far? The lecture argues that the key is a more intensive look at the local state and local policy implementation to understand the underpinnings of the Chinese developmental state, which has been successful enough to make one-party rule sustainable.

Gunter Schubert is Professor of Sinology and Chair of Greater China Studies at the University of Tübingen. In addition to heading Greater China Studies, covering political, social, economic and cultural developments in contemporary Greater China (comprising the PRC, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macao, and Singapore as well as the overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia and in the non-Asian world), Professor Schubert is also the founder and director of the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan (ERCCT) at the University of Tübingen. Professor Schubert's research focuses on issues related to cross-strait relations and integration, local governance reform in the China, East Asian regionalism, and nationalism in China and Taiwan. His many books include Participation and Empowerment at the Grassroots: Chinese Village Elections in Perspective, Taiwanese Identity in the 21st Century, and Regime Legitimacy in Contemporary China.