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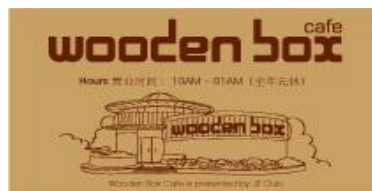
cordially invite you to:

China's Futures: Chinese Elites on China's Economy, Politics, and Foreign Policy

Daniel Lynch

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University of Southern California

Wednesday, October 28th, 2015
19:15pm – 20:30 pm



9 Qinghai Lu (just to the South of Nanjing West Road)
青海路 9 号, 近南京西路, 地铁二号线南京西路站

19:00 – Doors Open
19:15 – Lecture
20:00 – Q&A
20:30 – Mixer/Drinks/Dinner

Please RSVP to Frank Tsai of Hopkins China Forum by writing to editor@shanghai-review.org.

This year it became obvious even to optimists that China's economy is perched on the edge of a precipice. China's leadership can either re-energize growth by following through on promises to deepen reform, or else face years of sluggish growth — partly because the economic downturn is coinciding with the reduction in the size of China's workforce and aging of its population. At the same time, China has pursued a new assertiveness in its foreign policy in Asia-Pacific, and its One Belt Old Road initiative will involve hundreds of billions of USD in spending across Eurasia. Why does the leadership project such a high degree of confidence on the world stage even as the basis of China's rise — its economic development — is under such severe threat? Tonight's speaker will address this puzzle in the course of discussing his new book [China's Futures: PRC Elites Debate Economics, Politics, and Foreign Policy](#). After offering his own observations, he will invite attendees to join together in thinking through the implications of these difficult-to-read developments: what they suggest about where China and its rise might be headed from here.

[Daniel Lynch](#) is currently an Associate Professor of International Relations at the University of Southern California, and is a member of the Executive Committee at the [USC U.S.-China Institute](#). Lynch is the author of three books on China: [China's Futures: PRC Elites Debate Economics, Politics, and Foreign Policy](#) (2015), [Rising China and Asian Democratization: Socialization to Global Culture in the Political Transformations of Thailand, China, and Taiwan](#) (2006), [After the Propaganda State: Media, Politics, and Thought Work in Reformed China](#) (1999). He has also published many scholarly articles in such journals as *China Quarterly*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Pacific Affairs*, and *Asian Survey*. Lynch earned his PhD in Political Science from the University of Michigan.

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