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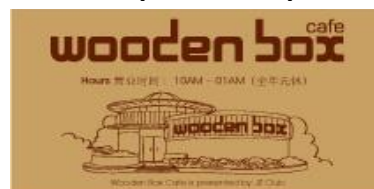
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# *From Competition to Confrontation? Maritime Disputes and the China-U.S. Geopolitical Game in East Asia*

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9 Qinghai Lu (just to the South of Nanjing West Road)  
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19:00 – Doors Open  
19:15 – Lecture  
20:00 – Q&A  
20:30 – Mixer/Drinks/Dinner

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In the past a few years, the U.S. and China have witnessed ever-increasing maritime tension in East Asia because of the competition of traditional geopolitical interests. The Diaoyu/Senkaku Island disputes in the East China Sea and the Nansha/Spratly Islands disputes in the South China Sea has triggered China's strategic suspicions about the intentions of U.S. in the context of its strategic rebalancing toward Asia-Pacific. China's more assertive behavior on the seas have also deepened U.S. concerns about China trying to challenge the regional security order. Moreover, the upcoming Taiwan presidential campaign might bring more serious threats and damage to the problematic relationship. The two powers must cooperate to handle these disputes and manage any potential crisis which might impose great damage upon the regional peace and stability.

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