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Digital China and Artificial Intelligence

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Admission: 100 RMB

19:00 – Doors Open

19:15 - Lecture

20:00 - Q&A

20:30 - Mixer

Artificial intelligence, or the idea that computer systems can perform functions typically associated with the human mind, has gone from futuristic speculation to present-day reality. Computer scientists have achieved significant breakthroughs in machine learning and deep learning, giving machines cognitive and predictive capabilities. Today these systems are already being deployed in real-world situations. With its biggest tech companies driving momentum for R&D, China is one of the leading global hubs of artificial intelligence development. Its vast population and diverse industry mix have the potential to generate huge volumes of data and provide an enormous market. Wide adoption of AI could be crucial to China's future economic growth as the nation's population ages, heightening the need to accelerate productivity growth. Some of the required building blocks include an open data environment and data science talent. But AI also poses complex social and economic questions that will require careful consideration.

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