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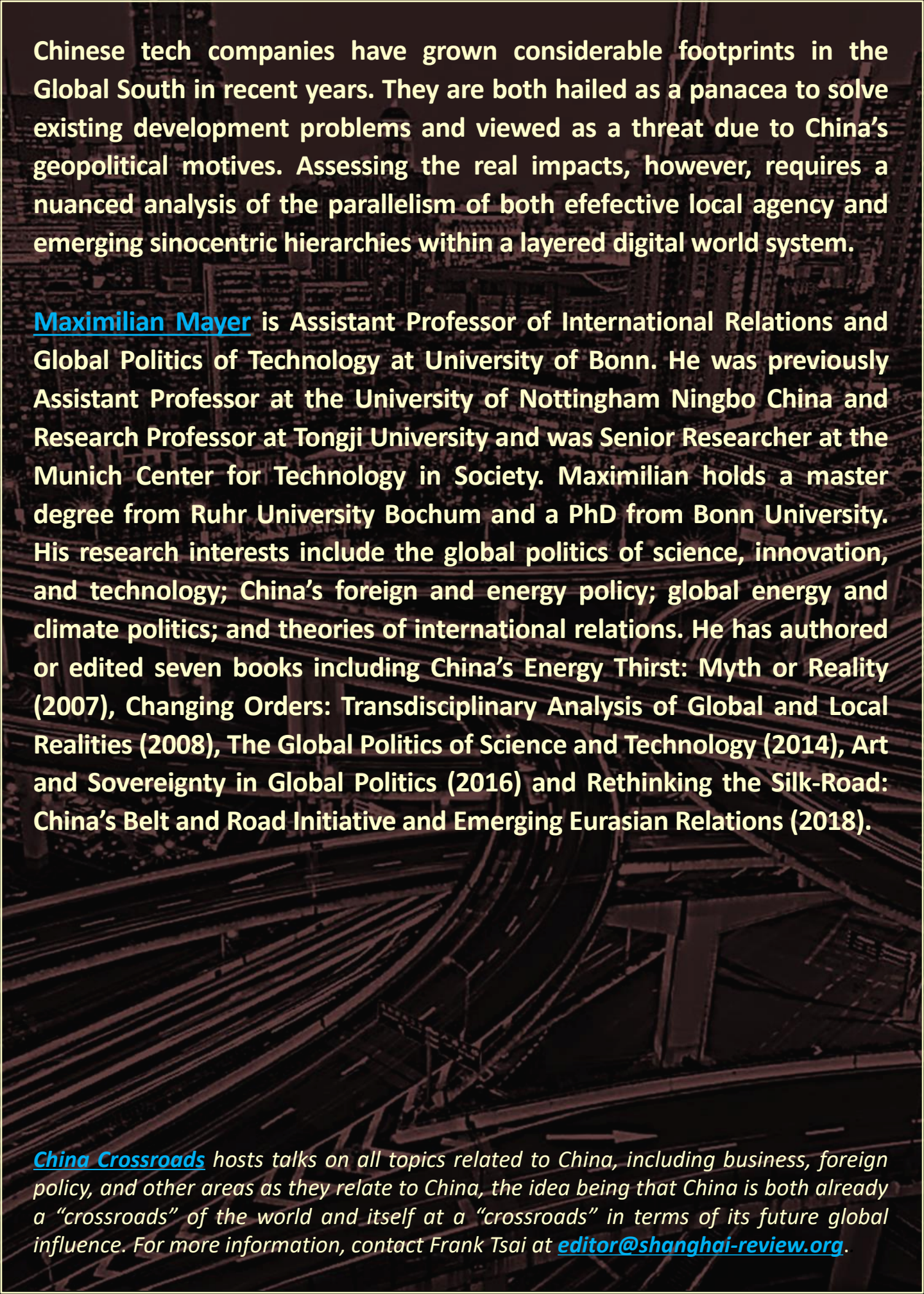
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Chinese tech companies have grown considerable footprints in the Global South in recent years. They are both hailed as a panacea to solve existing development problems and viewed as a threat due to China's geopolitical motives. Assessing the real impacts, however, requires a nuanced analysis of the parallelism of both effective local agency and emerging sinocentric hierarchies within a layered digital world system.

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