New Developments in China’s Policy Toward Christianity

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Monday, July 11

6 - 8 p.m.  Opening Reception at Estancia La Jolla
Xian XU, Fudan-UC Center on Contemporary China
Charlie ZHANG, Asian Research Center

Tuesday, July 12

9 - 9:15 a.m.  Opening Remarks
FAN Lizhu, Fudan University
Richard MADSEN, UC San Diego

9:15 - 10:30 a.m.  Presentations: Policy and Social Change
“New Directions in China’s Religion Policy”
LIU Jinguang, China State Administration Bureau of Religious Affairs

“Christianity in the context of Chinese cultural tradition: dilemma or opportunity”
ZHUO Xinping, Institute of World Religion, CASS

“Catholic Charitable Services in China: Current Situation and Challenges”
John ZHANG, Faith Institute for Cultural Studies

10:45 - 11 a.m.  Coffee Break

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  Presentations: Culture and Localization
“The Mismatched Stakeholders of Religious Dialogue in China: Religious Group, Culture and Believers”
FAN Lizhu, Fudan University

“Justification by the Confucian Value of孝: A Case of Interaction between Christianity and Chinese Cultural Tradition”
CHEN Na, Fudan University

“The ‘Plural Tension’ in China’s Religions: A Case Study of a Catholic Church in Rural North China”
Frank LIU, Shanghai Politics and Law University

12:30 - 2 p.m.  Lunch
**Tuesday, July 12 (cont.)**

2 - 3:30 p.m.  **Presentations: Views and Responses**

“Indigenizing Chinese Christianity under President Xi Jinping: A Few Questions”
Carsten VALA, Loyola University at Maryland

“Understanding Chinese Catholic religious relationships, values and experience in conjunction with overall Chinese principles”
Rob CARBONNEAU, U.S. Catholic China Bureau

“China’s Evolving Relationship with Religion”
Gordon MELTON, Baylor University

“The Value of Engaging Religious Communities: Pursuing Social Goods”
Amy LILLIS, U.S. Department of State

3:30 - 4 p.m.  **Coffee Break**

4 - 5:30 p.m.  **Panel Discussion: “Christianity in China: Globalization and Localization”**

Moderator: Richard MADSEN, UC San Diego

Panelists: ZHUO Xinping, Institute of World Religion, CASS
John ZHANG, Faith Institute for Cultural Studies
Rob CARBONNEAU, U.S. Catholic China Bureau
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Audience Q&A

5:30 - 6 p.m.  **Concluding Remarks**

Richard Madsen, UC San Diego
Susan Shirk, UC San Diego

6:30 - 8 p.m.  **Dinner at James’ Place**

**Wednesday, July 13**

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.  **Meeting space available**

Dean’s Conference Room, School of Global Policy & Strategy (GPS)