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DATE / TIME: Sept. 30, 2014 • 10:00 am – 11:30 am

The 2014 presidential election, if successfully concluded, will mark the first democratic transition of power in Afghanistan's political history. The new president and his administration will face a daunting set of security, governance, and economic challenges, even as the U.S.-led NATO coalition continues the drawdown of its combat forces. Karl Eikenberry, who previously served as U.S. Ambassador in Afghanistan and commanded international military forces in that country, has just returned from travel to Islamabad and Kabul, and will discuss Afghanistan's future prospects as well as possible areas for Sino-American cooperation. Ambassador Karl Eikenberry is an affiliated faculty member with Stanford's Center for Democracy, Development, and Rule of Law, and researcher with The Europe Center. Prior to his arrival at Stanford, he served as the U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan from May 2009 until July 2011, where he led the civilian surge directed by President Obama to reverse insurgent momentum and set the conditions for transition to full Afghan sovereignty. Before appointment as Chief of Mission in Kabul, Eikenberry had a thirty-five year career in the United States Army, retiring in April 2009 with the rank of Lieutenant General.

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CULTURAL DIPLOMACY IN EAST ASIA AND US-CHINA RELATIONS

TERRY LAUTZ, Visiting Professor, Syracuse University & former Henry Luce Foundation Vice President

Oct 16, 2014 • 16:00 – 17:15

As the world has become more inter-connected, modern governments have recognized the need for soft power and the value of cultural diplomacy. For these reasons, Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan have established active cultural diplomacy programs to enhance the study of Asia in other countries. China now provides significant support for Chinese language and cultural studies overseas. This talk, from an American perspective, will evaluate China’s soft power push and compare the practice of cultural diplomacy in East Asia and the United States.

Terry Lautz graduated from Harvard College and holds a Ph.D. from Stanford University. He is a trustee of the Harvard-Yenching Institute, a director of the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and has served as trustee and board chair of the Lingnan Foundation and the Yale-China Association. His recent publications deal with U.S.-China educational and cultural relations.

US-CHINA RELATIONS AND THE “RE-BALANCE” TO ASIA

THOMAS FINGAR, Oksenberg-Rohlen Distinguished Fellow, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University

Oct 27, 2014 • 16:00 – 17:15

The Obama Administration’s “Re-Balance” to Asia has been poorly explained, widely misunderstood, and deliberately misconstrued by officials and commentators on both sides of the Pacific. Stanford Professor and former Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Fingar will analyze the origins and objectives of the Re-Balance and attempt to explain and address questions and concerns raised by Chinese and others in the region.

From May 2005 through December 2008, Fingar served as the first Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Analysis and, concurrently, as Chairman of the National Intelligence Council. He served previously as Assistant Secretary of the State Department’s Bureau of Intelligence and Research (2004-2005), Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (2001-2003), Deputy Assistant Secretary for Analysis (1994-2000), Director of the Office of Analysis for East Asia and the Pacific (1989-1994), and Chief of the China Division (1986-1989).