

The Ditchley Foundations
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The National Bureau of Asian Research

CHINA, ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT
13-15 November 2008

OUTLINE PROGRAMME AND AGENDA

Co-Chairmen:

Admiral Dennis Blair (Retd.) and Mr Nick Butler

Conference Rapporteur: Mr James Kynge

All participants and observers are reminded of the private and confidential nature of the conference. All those attending do so in their personal capacities, not as spokespeople for any country or institution. In addition, all the proceedings take place under what is commonly known in Britain as the "Chatham House" rule. All contributions are unattributable, and interventions are made in strict confidence; this applies also to conversations outside the formal sessions. Those present are free to draw afterwards on the substance of what has been said, but not under any circumstances to reveal to any person not present at the conference who it was that said it. That rule will be scrupulously observed in the Note later produced on the conference by the Director of the Ditchley Foundation.

Thursday

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| 4.00 pm onwards | Arrival of participants |
| 7.00 pm | Drinks (Falls Terrace Foyer) |
| 7.30 pm | Dinner (Falls Terrace, seating plan)
Keynote speech by:
Dr Daniel Wright
Managing Director for China and the Strategic Economic
Dialogue, US Department of the Treasury |
| 9.45 pm | Coffee and drinks |

Friday

8.00 – 9.00 am Breakfast (Ballroom Foyer)

9.15 – 10.45 am PLENARY SESSION I (Ballroom)

Themes:

China's potential:

Can China sustain its remarkable economic growth of recent years? What will be the main internal and external effects? Will it retain the capacity to plan and execute a consistent strategic vision?

Introduced by:

Ambassador Wu Jianmin

Dr Gary Dirks

10.45 – 11.00 am Coffee

11.00 am – 12.15 pm PLENARY SESSION II (Ballroom)

Themes:

Energy and environmental policies:

How will China meet its increasing energy and water requirements? How can it at the same time limit environmental damage? What will be the external effects of Chinese decisions and how should other countries react?

Introduced by:

Professor Zha Daojiong

Mr John Ashton

12.15 pm

Group Chairmen & Rapporteurs – a brief meeting regarding working groups with the Director of the Ditchley Foundation.

12.15 – 12.45 pm Refreshments

12.45 – 1.45 pm Lunch

2.00 onwards Group discussion to consider detailed aspects of the conference's general terms of reference:

Working group meetings are held in the North Ballroom, South Ballroom, and The Potlach Room.

GROUP A (North Ballroom)

China's internal development

Questions such as those from 1 – 6 in the terms of reference.

GROUP B (South Ballroom)

Environmental issues

Questions such as those from 7- 12 in the terms of reference.

GROUP C (Potlach Room)

Energy supply

Questions such as those from 13 – 18 in the terms of reference.

The division into separate groups is necessarily arbitrary. While concentrating on the main topic devolved to them, groups should not worry unduly about overlap where that seems useful, even inevitable.

2.00 – 3.45 pm	FIRST SESSION OF WORKING GROUPS
3.45 – 4.15 pm	Coffee
4.15 – 6.00 pm	SECOND SESSION OF WORKING GROUPS
6.00 – 7.00 pm	Break
7.00 – 7.45 pm	Drinks (Falls Terrace Foyer)
7.45 pm	Dinner (Falls Terrace, seating plan) Dark Business Suit
9.30 pm	Coffee and drinks

Saturday

8.00 – 8.45 am	Breakfast (Ballroom Foyer)
9.00 – 9.50 am	PLENARY SESSION III (Ballroom) <i>Presentation and discussion of Group A's report</i>
9.50 – 10.40 am	PLENARY SESSION IV <i>Presentation and discussion of Group B's report</i>

10.40 – 10.55 am	Coffee
10.55 – 11.45 am	PLENARY SESSION V <i>Presentation and discussion of Group C's report</i>
11.45 am – 12.30 pm	PLENARY SESSION VI <i>Final debate</i>
12.30 – 12.45 pm	Refreshments
12.45 – 1.45 pm	Lunch
1.45 pm onwards	Departures
2.00 – 5.30 pm	Optional Excursion