

Ritsumeikan-ANU Public Lecture

# From Targeted Poverty Alleviation to Rural Revitalization: The CCP's Return to the Countryside

In this talk Ben Hillman will discuss recent developments in China's rural governance. He will argue that the CCP has taken back control of village China in order to push forward an ambitious policy agenda. At the same time, the Party's changes to the grassroots power structure have undermined village democracy, and made the Party squarely responsible for achieving the goals the Xi Jinping administration has set for rural revitalization. Ben Hillman will contextualize the changes alongside broader political developments in China.

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Moderator:

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Room KS306 (Koshinkan),  
Kinugasa Campus,  
Ritsumeikan University,  
Kyoto plus online (Zoom)

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13:00 – 13:10  Opening Remarks Prof Miwa Hirono

13:10 – 14:00 **Presentation**

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The CCP's Return to the Countryside Prof Ben Hillman

14:00 – 14:25  Q&A and general discussion

14:25 – 14:30  Closing Remarks



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