

Cross-Straits Relations and Taiwan

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Abstract

This lecture focuses on the impacts of globalization on cross-Straits relations and Taiwan. Forces of globalization lead to a "civilian governance" on dynamics of economic relations between Taiwan and China. Major actors under such framework include the Taiwanese business community, advanced talent flows, and local states. Recent policies under Ma administration also facilitate and institutionalize this unique relationship. Considering political, security, and economic entanglements, cross-Straits relations play a vital role in Taiwan's future development in the era of globalization. This lecture will analyze political factors behind security and economic calculations across the Taiwan Straits.



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