



## USA-CHINA SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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### JULY 5 (MONDAY)

- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** Shelton Williams, Osgood Center, “The Most Critical Bilateral Relationship in the World”
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Robert Sutter, George Washington University, “Recent Trends”
- 12:15 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.** L U N C H
- 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.** **Video presentation:** How China Sees Itself, Wang Yi, China’s Foreign Minister, and Robert Daly, Kissinger Center

### JULY 6 (TUESDAY)

- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** David Firestein, George H. W. Bush Foundation for U.S.-China Relations, “The US, China, and Taiwan”
- 12:15 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.** L U N C H
- 1:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.** Aman Thakker, Center for Strategic and International Studies, “India, China, and the US”

### JULY 7 (WEDNESDAY)

- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** Susan Thornton, Brookings Institution, “Russia, China, and the US”
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Kurt Tong, Asia Group, “Biden’s Approach to China”
- 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.** L U N C H
- 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.** Adam Smith, Gibson Dunn, “The Role of Sanctions in Sino-American Relations”

## **JULY 8 (THURSDAY)**

- 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.** Drew Thompson, National University of Singapore, "What the Pandemic Means for Chinese Leadership at Home and Abroad"
- 10:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M.** B R E A K
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.** Andy Purdy, Huawei Technologies USA, "Huawei"
- 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.** L U N C H
- 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.** John D. Ciorciari, University of Michigan, "The South China Sea and International Law"

## **JULY 9 (FRIDAY)**

- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** Ann Chih Lin, University of Michigan, "Human Rights: Encouraging Domestic Chinese Movements"
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Sheldon Ray, Raymond James, "Risks and Opportunities in the Chinese Economy and in US-China Relations"
- 12:15 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.** L U N C H
- 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.** Xuan Zhu, Osgood Center, "China and the Environment"

## **JULY 12 (MONDAY)**

- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** Sharon Freeman, Gems of Wisdom Consulting, "China and Africa"
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Sue Mi Terry, Center for Strategic and International Studies, "The Koreas, China, and the US"
- 12:15 P.M. - 1:15 P.M.** L U N C H
- 4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.** Charles Morrison, East-West Center, "Southeast Asia and China"

## **JULY 13 (TUESDAY)**

- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** Ryan Hass, McLarty Associates and the Scowcroft Group, "Managing the US-China Relationship"
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Sean Roberts, George Washington University, "China's War Against the Uighurs"
- 12:15 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.** L U N C H
- 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.** Michael O'Hanlon, Brookings Institution, "The US-China Military and Security Balance"

## **JULY 14 (WEDNESDAY)**

- 8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.** Sean Rodríguez, Iridium Asia Holdings, "5G and Me: The Philippines and China"
- 9:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M.** B R E A K
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Zack Cooper, American Enterprise Institute, "Japan and China"

## **JULY 15 (THURSDAY)**

- 9:00 A.M.- 10:00 A..M.** Kylie Atwood, CNN, "Covering the US and China on CNN"
- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.** Jeremi Suri, The University of Texas at Austin, "What History Tells us about the US and China"
- 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.** Andrew Browne, Bloomberg, "China's Economic Landscape"
- 12:15 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.** B R E A K
- 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M** Robert Holleyman, Crowell & Moring International, "The Dynamics of U.S.-China Trade"

## **S P E A K E R S - BIOGRAPHIES -**

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### **SHELTON WILLIAMS**

Shelton Williams is the president and founder of the Osgood Center for International Studies. Before he became the leader of the Osgood Center, he spent over 35 years as a professor at Austin College in Sherman, Texas, where he supervised its award-winning Model United Nations team, and he earned multiple major teaching awards for his classes in International Relations, American Foreign Policy, and Comparative Politics.

In addition, Dr. Williams is an expert on nuclear nonproliferation policy, and has worked in the State Department under Secretary Madeleine Albright and in the Office of International Programs in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He holds a Ph.D. in international relations from Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins University.



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### **ROBERT SUTTER**



His area of focus is the United States' policies towards Asia and the Pacific. Sutter has also taught at Georgetown, John Hopkins, and the University of Virginia. Sutter served as National Intelligence Officer for East Asia and the Pacific at the US Government's National Intelligence Council and the China Division Director at the Department of State's Bureau of Intelligence and Research.

Sutter has published 20 books and over 200 articles on the relationship between the United States and East Asian and Pacific countries. Robert Sutter earned his Ph.D. in History and East Asian Languages from Harvard University.

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### **ROBERT DALY**

Robert Daly is currently the Director of the Kissinger Institute on China and the United States at the Woodrow Wilson Center. Robert Daly began his career in U.S.- China relations as a diplomat with the United States Information Agency from 1989 to 1991, after which he taught Chinese at Cornell University. After teaching at Cornell, Daly worked on several television projects in China and helped producing several Children's Television Workshop programs until 1999. From 2001 to 2007, Daly was the American Director of the John Hopkins University-Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies in China.



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## DAVID FIRESTEIN



David J. Firestein is the inaugural president and CEO of the George H. W. Bush Foundation for U.S.-China Relations (Bush China Foundation) and a founding and current member of the Foundation's Board of Directors. He is based in Austin, Texas.

Prior to joining the Bush China Foundation, Mr. Firestein was the founding executive director of The University of Texas at Austin's (UT) China Public Policy Center (CPPC) and a clinical professor at UT's Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs.

Before moving to UT, Mr. Firestein served as senior vice president and Perot Fellow at the New York City-based East West Institute (EWI), where he led the Institute's track 2 diplomacy work in the areas of U.S.-China relations, East Asian security and U.S.-Russia relations; Mr. Firestein, who held EWI's lone endowed chair, remains one of the longest-serving senior executives in EWI history.

A decorated career U.S. diplomat from 1992–2010, Mr. Firestein specialized primarily in U.S.-China relations. Toward the end of his State Department career, he served as an elected member of the Board of Governors of the American Foreign Service Association (AFSA), the union and professional association of the United States Foreign Service; in this capacity, he represented and worked to advance the interests of several thousand State Department constituents. He also served as the elected president of the large community associations of the U.S. embassies in Beijing and Moscow.

Mr. Firestein is the author or co-author of three books on China, including two China-published Chinese-language best-sellers. He became the first foreign citizen to have a regular column in a People's Republic of China newspaper and the first foreign diplomat to publish an original book in the country, among other milestones. He is a prolific public speaker and frequent commentator in the U.S. and Chinese media.

Mr. Firestein holds a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University and two master's degrees from The University of Texas at Austin, as well as various advanced training certifications from the National Foreign Affairs Training Center of the U.S. Department of State.

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## AMAN THAKKER

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## SUSAN A. THORNTON

Susan A. Thornton is a foreign policy expert, a visiting lecturer at Yale University Law School, and a senior fellow at the Paul Tsai China Center and a nonresident senior fellow in foreign policy at the John L. Thornton China Center at the Brookings Institution. A seasoned diplomat, she spent almost 30 years in the Department of State engaged in policy-making, public relations, and executive management of overseas and domestic teams in China, Russia, and Eurasia. She led the development of U.S. policy towards China, Korea, and the former Soviet Union. She is fluent in Russian, Mandarin, and French.

Ms. Thornton received a master's in international relations from Johns Hopkins of Advanced International Studies in 1991 and a Master of Science from the Eisenhower School for National Resource Studies at the National Defense University in 2010.



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## KURT TONG

Ambassador Kurt Tong was the former U.S. Consul General to Hong Kong and Macau from 2016 to 2019.

Since 2019, he has served as a partner of the Asia Group, LLC. Aside from holding many prestigious positions at the Department of State, Ambassador Tong served as a Senate-confirmed ambassador for Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation. He is fluent in Mandarin and Japanese. Ambassador Tong received his A.B. degree from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University in 1987.



### **ADAM SMITH**

Adam Smith is an international lawyer with substantial senior level government experience and a focus on international trade compliance and white-collar investigation, including on federal and state economic sanctions enforcement, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, embargoes, and export controls.

From 2010-2015, he served in the Obama Administration as the Senior Advisor to the Director of the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and as the Director of Multilateral Affairs on the National Security Council.

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### **DREW THOMPSON**

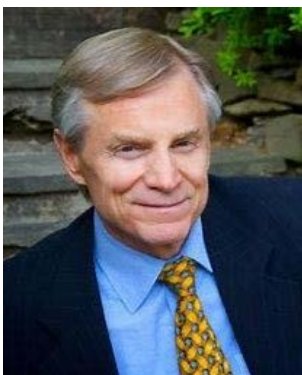
Drew Thompson currently serves as a visiting senior research fellow at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore. Before he got this fellowship, Mr. Thompson worked as a director at the U.S. Department of Defense where he was responsible for coordinating relationships between the United States and other countries, chiefly China, Taiwan, and Mongolia. He served in that position from 2011-2018.

Mr. Thompson graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Asian Studies from Hobart College. In 2004, he obtained a Master of Arts in Government Studies, with an emphasis on homeland security from Johns Hopkins University. He studied Chinese at Beijing University, and he lived in Shanghai.



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### **ANDY PURDY**



Andy Purdy is an attorney and the Chief Security Officer for Huawei Technologies, USA. In this role, he is responsible for Huawei's cybersecurity and global security assurance programs.

He has relevant experience in the government. Prior to working at Huawei, in 2003, Mr. Purdy drafted the United States national strategy for cyberspace security as a member of the White House staff. He acted as Chief Cybersecurity Strategist for Computer Sciences Corp. Using his legal expertise, he also participated in the Acting General Counsel and Chief Deputy General Counsel at the U.S. Sentencing Commission.

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## **JOHN D. CIORCIARI**

John D. Ciorciari is an associate professor of public policy and director of the Ford School's Weiser Diplomacy Center and International Policy Center. His research focuses on international law and politics in the Global South. He is an accomplished author.

Ciorciari has been an Andrew Carnegie Fellow, an Asia Society Fellow, a postdoctoral fellow at Stanford, a policy official in the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of International Affairs, and an associate at the international law firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell.

He holds a B.A. and JD from Harvard and an MPhil and DPhil from Oxford, where he was a Fulbright scholar.



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## **ANN CHIH LIN**



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She received her Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Chicago in 1994.

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## **SHELDON RAY**

Sheldon is a Senior Vice President, Investments and Portfolio Manager at Raymond James and Associates, Inc. He manages global equity and fixed income portfolios for individuals and non-profits. He has over three decades of China experience.

Sheldon has been active in Rotary for over 30 years, having originally joined in Hong Kong in 1988.

Sheldon has a Bachelor of Science in finance from Louisiana State University, and he has a certified portfolio manager designation, Columbia University.





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## XUAN ZHU



Xuan has been helping with the Osgood Center since the summer of 2013 and became an assistant director in early 2015.

Xuan graduated from University of Pittsburgh in 2014; he has a Master of Public Administration with two majors: Policy Research and Analysis as well as Energy and Environment. He has a bachelor degree of laws, majoring in Diplomacy and International Affairs from China Foreign Affairs University. His current interest lies in Asian development as well as energy and environment issues. His background includes working as an intern editor for Xinhua News Agency, internship in private companies such as Siemens China, part-time translator, and a public servant working on experts and international cooperation in China.

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## SHARON FREEMAN

Dr. Sharon Freeman is the founder of Gems of Wisdom Consulting (“GWC”) and a non-profit organization entitled the Gemini Ethics Movement. GWC is a woman-and-minority owned business which provides consultation to governments across the globe on entrepreneurship, trade development and business ethics compliance. Dr. Freeman has served since 1993 as the Trade Advisor to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce’s U.S. Trade Representative.



Dr. Freeman holds a Ph.D. degree in Applied Management and Decision Science from Walden University. She has both an undergraduate and graduate degree from Carnegie Mellon University.

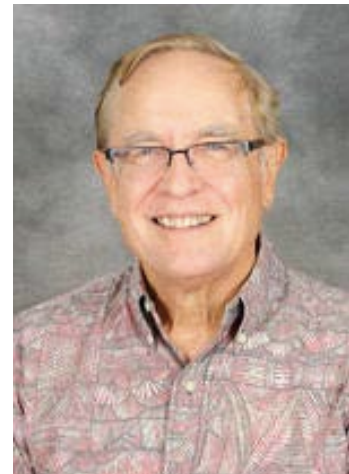
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## CHARLES MORRISON

Charles Morrison has held several positions at the East-West Center, including president from 1998 through 2016.

He serves on the Standing Committee of the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council. He is a past chair of the U.S. National Consortium of APEC Study Centers and a research adviser to two high-level bi-national Japan-U.S. commissions. He was associated in the 1980s and 1990s with the Japan Center for International Exchange. He served as a legislative assistant to the late Senator William V. Roth, Jr., working primarily on defense, foreign policy, trade, and government ethics issues.

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Mr. Hass previously worked at the National Security Council (NSC) as Director for China, Taiwan and Mongolian affairs and served as a Foreign Service Officer at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, China.

Mr. Hass graduated from the University of Washington and attended the John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

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## **SEAN ROBERTS**

Dr. Sean Roberts is an Associate Professor of the Practice of International Affairs. He is also the Director of the International Development Studies in the Elliot School of International Affairs at George Washington University. He has served in the position of Director of the International Development University since 2008. Dr. Roberts has a cultural anthropology educational background and extensive applied experience in international development, including years of USAID work in Central Asia.



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Dr. Cooper graduated from Princeton University with a Ph.D., an M.A. in Security Studies and an MPA in International Relations. He obtained his B.A. degree in Public Policy from Stanford University.

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## **KYLIE ATWOOD**



Ms. Kylie Atwood is a CNN journalist who specialized in national security issues. She joined CNN in January of 2019. Since then, she has covered stories on U.S. – North Korea talks, former President Trump's meetings with Kim Jong Un and the recent Trump impeachment hearings.

Prior to joining CNN, Ms. Atwood worked as a CBS news reporter responsible for covering State Department events across the world.

Ms. Atwood graduated cum laude from Middlebury College with a major in international studies and a minor in economics. During college, she interned for 60 Minutes and Global Post.

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Professor Suri is the author and editor of ten books on contemporary politics and foreign policy. His most recent books are "The Impossible Presidency: The Rise and Fall of America's Highest Office" and "Modern Diplomacy in Practice". Suri's other books include "Henry Kissinger and the American Century," "Liberty's Surest Guardian: American Nation-Building from the Founders to Obama," "Foreign Policy Breakthroughs: Cases in Successful Diplomacy", and "The Power of the Past: History and Statecraft". Professor Suri writes for major newspapers and magazines including The New York Times, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, CNN, Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, Dallas Morning News, Houston Chronicle, Boston Globe, New Republic, and Wired. He appears frequently on television and radio news programs.



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## ANDREW BROWNE



Andrew Browne is the Editorial Director of the Bloomberg New Economy Forum, a global conference and media platform launched by Michael Bloomberg in 2018 that focuses on emerging economies and new technologies.

Prior to joining Bloomberg in New York, he worked as a journalist for 35 years in Asia, latterly as China Editor for the Wall Street Journal. He wrote a popular column for the paper called "China's World."

Andrew won the Pulitzer Prize for International Reporting in 2007 as part of a team of Journal reporters in Beijing. He also shared an Overseas Press Club award for business reporting on China in 2011.

He started his career in journalism in 1982 at the South China Morning Post in Hong Kong, and then moved to Reuters News Agency where he spent 20 years running news bureaus in Taipei, Shanghai, Beijing and Seoul before becoming Asia Pacific News Editor in Singapore.

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## **ROBERT HOLLEYMAN**

Robert Holleyman is the president and CEO of C&M International and a partner in Crowell & Moring's International Trade Group. He has significant trade, international business, economic policy, and legal experience from his service as Deputy U.S. Trade Representative, as CEO of a highly successful information technology advocacy association, and work as counsel in the U.S. Senate. He served as Deputy United States Trade Representative (USTR) from 2014-2017, with the rank of Ambassador.

While at USTR, Ambassador Holleyman was responsible for U.S. trade and investment relations with Asia and with regional institutions. He led USTR's negotiations with China, including the work of the annual Joint Committee on Commerce and Trade (JCCT) and with India through the U.S.-India Trade Policy Forum (TPF).

He led the creation of a new Digital Trade Working Group within USTR and the "Digital2Dozen," a series of groundbreaking measures secured in the Asia-Pacific region that established rules promoting a free and open internet.

Ambassador Holleyman was President and CEO of BSA/The Software Alliance from 1990–2013. In earlier public service, he served as senior counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation; legislative director for Senator Russell B. Long; and as judicial clerk for U.S. District Judge Jack M. Gordon in New Orleans. He practiced law in Houston, Texas.

Ambassador Holleyman received his Juris Doctor degree from Louisiana State University Law School and his Bachelor of Arts degree from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas, where he was named its 2012 Distinguished Alumnus. He has studied at the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Georgia O'Keefe Museum in Santa Fe, New Mexico and is an Honorary Trustee of the National Building Museum. He previously served as a board member with the Stephen Decatur House Museum, the Bryce Harlow Foundation, Food & Friends and the National Building Museum in Washington, DC.

