

# American and Japanese Perceptions of the Re-emergence of China(Politics Panel)

## Understanding Xi's Centralized Power

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- Since the beginning of Xi's regime, there has been an obvious change in the policy decision-making mechanism.
- Decision-making authority is highly centralized.



- Monopolize decision-coordination mechanisms.  
Centralized decision-making mechanisms.
- Xi has successfully consolidate his power?

- What has enabled and prompted the concentration of D-M power on Xi?
- Sharing sense of insecurity among the party leadership.

Public discontent: degradation of the environment; political and bureaucratic corruption; ethnic conflict in Xinjiang and Tibet, economic slowdown in growth.



- Sharing desire for a strong and decisive leader.

- Institutionalization
  - Restrict to the exercise of power;
    - Term limit and Age limit
  - Promote intra-party democracy;
    - Internal poll to select favored top leaders for the future-> “vote”
  - Activate democratic institutions:
    - PC, CPPCC
    - Building several mechanisms of dialogue with non-Party elites



- Decision making mechanism
- Collect Information mechanism
  
- CCP try to activate democratic institutions.
- CCP has made use of democratic institutions as a means to collect the information for D-M.
  - PC, CPPCC
  - Building several mechanisms of dialogue with non-Party elites

- The members of the Democratic Institutions come from a variety of different backgrounds.
- Democratic Institutions perform a wide variety political functions.
  - Serve as a Agents of Gov., Transmit the policy to.
  - Serve as a Remonstrators, Convey the Information to Gov.
  - Serve as a Representative, Represent to interest of Constituency.

- Xi has successfully reinforced his power foundation by centralizing decision-making mechanisms.
- Promoting institutionalization of power, restrict Xi's power.
- Gathering information for decision-making, Xi' regime needs more allies, but Anti-corruption campaign has caused changes the behavior of bureaucracy and interest groups.