

Webinar: Reopening and revitalization in Asia – Recommendations from cities and sectors

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Welcome

John Allen

John R. Allen is the president of the Brookings Institution.

Mr. Allen assumed the presidency of the Brookings Institution in November 2017, having most recently served as chair of security and strategy and a distinguished fellow in the Foreign Policy program at Brookings. Allen is a retired U.S. Marine Corps four-star general, former special presidential envoy to the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL, and former commander of the NATO International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) and U.S. Forces in Afghanistan. He holds degrees from the U.S. Naval Academy, Georgetown University, the Defense Intelligence College, and the National Defense University.

Panel 1

Lai I-Chung

Dr. I-Chung Lai is the president of the Prospect Foundation.

Dr. Lai served as director general of the Department of International Affairs (2007-2008) and director general of the Department of China Affairs (2006-2008) in the Democratic Progressive Party (DPP). Prior to that, he was special assistant for policy to the Taiwan representative to Japan (2000-2003), executive director of the DPP Mission in the United States (1999-2000), and vice president of the Taiwan Thinktank (2013-2016). He received his doctorate degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) and was a visiting researcher at Cornell University.

Dae-Jong Lee

Mr. Dae Joong Lee is director of the development finance division at the Ministry of Economy and Finance in the Republic of Korea.

He oversees Korea's development finance cooperation policy and participates in the International Development Programs Committee under the prime minister's office. Before his current position at the Ministry, he served as trade policy director. He has also had extensive experience in international economic affairs, including serving in the Korean embassy in London and Hanoi as well as for the Trilateral (China, Japan, Korea) Cooperation secretariat. Mr. Lee began his public service in Korean government in 1997. Mr. Lee received a master's degree from KAIST and Tufts University and his bachelor's degree in economics from UC Berkeley.

Gabriel Leung

Dr. Gabriel Leung is the dean of medicine at the University of Hong Kong (HKU), where he is also the inaugural Helen and Francis Zimmern professor in population health and holds the chair of public health medicine.

He was the last head of community medicine (2012-2013) at HKU as well as Hong Kong's first under secretary for food and health (2008-2011) and fifth director of the chief executive's office (2011-2012). A specialist in public health medicine, Leung's interdisciplinary work revolves around epidemiological topics that have major population health impact. After studying medicine at the University of Western Ontario, he completed his family medicine residency training in Toronto. He earned a master's degree from Harvard University and a research doctorate from HKU.

Cheng Li

Dr. Cheng Li is director and senior fellow at the Brookings Institution's John L. Thornton China Center.

Dr. Li is also a director of the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations, a distinguished fellow of the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy at University of Toronto, and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Dr. Li has advised a wide range of U.S. government, education, research, business, and not-for-profit organizations on work in China. Dr. Li received a master's degree in Asian studies from the University of California at Berkeley and a doctorate degree in political science from Princeton University.

Trang (Mae) Nguyen

Trang (Mae) Nguyen is an assistant professor of law at the Temple University Beasley School of Law, starting summer 2020.

She is currently the John N. Hazard fellow at the U.S.-Asia Law Institute at New York University School of Law and a visiting scholar at UC Berkeley's Center for the Study of Law and Society. Mae's research uses mixed empirical methods to study transnational business governance, global supply chains, and authoritarian legality, with a focus on Asia. Mae earned a J.D. degree from NYU School of Law, where she was a law and business scholar and an executive editor of the NYU Law Review.

Jonathan Stromseth

Jonathan Stromseth is a senior fellow at Brookings, where he holds the Lee Kuan Yew chair in Southeast Asian studies in the Center for East Asia Policy Studies.

He also holds a joint appointment with the Brookings John L. Thornton China Center. From 2014 to 2017, he served on the secretary of state's policy planning staff, advising the State Department's leadership on China, Southeast Asia, and East Asian and Pacific affairs. Previously, he was the Asia Foundation's country representative to China (2006–2014) and to Vietnam (2000–2005). He holds a doctorate in political science from Columbia University, where his studies focused on comparative politics and international relations in the Asia-Pacific region.

Panel 2

David Dollar

Dr. David Dollar is a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution's John L. Thornton China Center and host of the Brookings trade podcast, Dollar&Sense.

He is a leading expert on China's economy and U.S.-China economic relations. From 2009 to 2013, Dollar was the U.S. Treasury's economic and financial emissary to China, based in Beijing, and served as country director for China and Mongolia at the World Bank from 2004-2009. His publications focus on economic reform in China, globalization, and economic growth. Dr. Dollar received a bachelor's degree in Chinese history and language from Dartmouth College and a doctorate degree in economics from New York University.

Robert Grieves

Mr. Robert Grieves is the founder, chairman and CEO of Hamilton Advisors Ltd, a strategic communications firm based in Hong Kong.

Following a 12-year career in journalism, his career in communications has included seven years at the global public relations firm of Burson-Marsteller, five years as Hong Kong-based Asia head of marketing and communications for Merrill Lynch, three years as head of global communications for The Bank of New York, and four years as head of global media relations and financial communications for ACE. Mr. Grieves received his bachelor's degree from Hamilton College in English literature and East Asian history. He received a master's degree in journalism from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism and a certificate from Columbia's East Asian Institute.

Keijiro Hora

Keijiro “Kent” Hora is the chief representative of the Americas region for Mitsubishi Electric Corporation and the president and chief executive officer for Mitsubishi Electric US, Inc.

In his role as chief representative of the Americas, Mr. Hora provides key leadership and business development for North and Latin American markets in alignment with global strategic goals. He is responsible for the financial operations of more than 50 locations throughout North America, including several manufacturing facilities in the United States that produce a diverse range of building systems, energy, and transportation products. Mr. Hora has been a leader in the electronics and manufacturing sector for more than three decades and brings expertise in industrial technology, strategic business development and marketing, particularly in Asian and North American markets. He has served in several overseas assignments throughout Asia and the United States and began his career with Mitsubishi Electric in 1981. Mr. Hora is a graduate of Kumamoto University and holds a bachelor's degree in engineering. He was born in Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan.

Kai-Fu Lee

Dr. Kai-Fu Lee is the chairman and CEO of Sinovation Ventures and president of Sinovation Venture's Artificial Intelligence Institute.

Prior to founding Sinovation Ventures in 2009, Dr. Lee was vice president of Google and president of Google China. Previously, he held executive positions at Microsoft, SGI, and Apple. Dr. Lee has authored ten U.S. patents, over 100 journal and conference papers, and seven top-selling books in Chinese. Dr. Lee received his bachelor's degree in computer science from Columbia University and his doctorate degree from Carnegie Mellon University.

Mireya Solís

Mireya Solís is director of the Center for East Asia Policy Studies, Philip Knight chair in Japan Studies, and a senior fellow in the Foreign Policy program at Brookings.

Prior to her arrival at Brookings, Solís was a tenured associate professor at American University's School of International Service. Solís is an expert on Japanese foreign economic policy, U.S.-Japan relations, international trade policy, and Asia-Pacific economic integration. Dr. Solís earned a doctorate degree in government and a master's degree in East Asian studies from Harvard University, and a bachelor's degree in international relations from El Colegio de México.

Jane Sun

Jane Jie Sun has served as the chief executive officer of Trip.com Group, as well as a member of the board of directors, since November 2016.

Prior to that, she served as co-president since March 2015, chief operating officer since May 2012, and chief financial officer from 2005 to 2012. Prior to joining Ctrip, Ms. Sun worked as the head of the SEC and external reporting division of Applied Materials, Inc. beginning in 1997. In 2017, she was named as one of the most influential and outstanding business women by Forbes China. Ms. Sun received her bachelor's degree from the business school of the University of Florida with high honors. She also obtained her L.L.M. degree from Peking University Law School.

Terry Tsao

Terry Tsao is the global chief marketing officer and president of SEMI Taiwan.

Terry Tsao leads global marketing activities at SEMI, including strategic, operational, product, and communications marketing. Tsao also oversees the association's programs, products, and services in Taiwan, and is responsible for relationships with SEMI members as well as with representatives of local industry, government, and academia. Prior to joining SEMI, Tsao was managing director of International Data Corporation in Taiwan. Tsao holds a master's degree from Baruch College City University, New York, and an Executive Master in Business Administration from National Taiwan University.