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The Dynamics of China's Political Economy: Rebalancing and the Evolution of Sino-Capitalism

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This seminar examines how the dynamics of Sino-capitalism are shaping recent policy initiatives that aim to rebalance China's economic development model. Even though China's new policy thrust incorporates more forceful economic liberalization and other reforms, retaining and strengthening state control over crucial areas of socio-economic governance remains central. China is therefore pursuing a policy package of refurbishing its state-guided form of capitalism, strengthening both state governance capacity and market forces in the process. In this context, the new 60-point reform policy package announced in November 2013 manifests that the basic institutional features of Sino-capitalism are likely to be quite stable over time and continue to define China's evolving political economy.

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