



RESEARCH SEMINAR - SPRING 2017

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Australia-China Relations: Making the Most of an Unlikely Partnership?

This seminar explores Australia's relationship with China, which is both its largest trade partner and - many think - a major strategic threat. The key question for Australian policymakers, as it is for many of their counterparts in the region, is whether Australia can simultaneously have a good economic relationship with China and a continuing reliance on the US as a security partner. Even before the election of Donald Trump this looked challenging. Now it is forcing a long-overdue debate about the nature of Australia foreign policy and alliance relationships.

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