



Robert Bosch **Stiftung**

Personal Invitation: How Do Asians See Their Future?

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are pleased to invite you to the panel discussion *How Do Asians See Their Future?*

How is China's rise perceived by other Asian countries? Are there any new intra-Asian coalitions in the development? How strong is the influence of historical events? In order to explore these questions and to broaden the dialogue of understanding between Europe and Asia, the Robert Bosch Stiftung and the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) initiated the project *How Do Asians See Their Future?*

In June 2014, European government officials, scientists, representatives of think tanks and journalists went to Japan for a week to hold talks with over 50 partners from Asia. One of the outputs of the study trip is a collection of essays, in which various Asian authors give their insights on topics such as economic and political interdependence, democracies in Asia and the issue of coming to terms with historical events.

You are kindly invited to take part in a panel discussion that will launch the essay collection. The event will take place

**on Thursday, 16 April 2015
from 18.00h on
at the Berlin Representative Office of the Robert Bosch Stiftung
Französische Straße 32, 10117 Berlin.**

The panellists include **Yoshihide Soeya**, Director of the Keio Institute of East Asian Studies in Japan, **Chung-in Moon**, Professor at the Yonsei University and **François Godement**, Co-Author and Director of ECFR's Asia & China Programme. The event will be chaired by **Gudrun Wacker**, Senior Fellow of the Research Division on Asia at the German Institute for International and Security Affairs.

The panel discussion will take place in a confidential environment under Chatham House Rule. The event will be held in English. You are also cordially invited to attend a reception following the discussion. We would be delighted to welcome you at the event and kindly ask you to confirm your attendance by **15 April 2015** to berlin.office@ecfr.eu.

For further questions and inquiries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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