



Report

Profile of MSS-Affiliated PRC Foreign Policy Think Tank CICIR

The China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR, 中国现代国际关系研究院) -- one of China's most influential think tanks -- researches the entire range of international affairs spanning all continents, but the institution's major focus is the United States and the Sino-US relationship. CICIR is affiliated with China's top intelligence agency, the Ministry of State Security (MSS, 国家安全部), although this fact is rarely acknowledged in PRC media.

The official CICIR website¹ provides a general description of the functions performed by the research institution, without offering specific details on its affiliation with the MSS or other PRC Government institutions. CICIR's functions as listed on its website include:

- Compile research reports on a wide range of topics including global and regional political, economic, diplomatic, military, and social issues, as well as issues related to Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macau;
- Submit research results to "relevant government departments";
- Publish research findings in academic journals;
- Undertake research projects commissioned by the PRC government;
- Conduct joint research projects with research institutions at home and abroad on issues of common interest;
- Promote academic exchanges with PRC and overseas scholars by hosting and attending bilateral and international symposiums, and by organizing exchange programs and overseas visits;
- Offer master's and PhD degree-conferring courses in international relations under the authorization of the State Council Academic Degree Committee.

The CICIR website offers little insight into its government-commissioned research projects, except for a brief statement about participation of the Center for Crisis Management Studies in a "national-level policy research project" on China's comprehensive crisis management strategy and foreign governments' mechanisms for handling major emergencies.

CICIR Named One of PRC's Top Think Tanks

CICIR has been repeatedly named one of China's top think tanks, based, at least in part, on its perceived influence within the PRC government.

¹ www.cicir.ac.cn

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- In 2006, CICIR was ranked as the sixth most influential think tank in China, behind only the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), the State Council Development Research Center (DRC), the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), the Chinese Academy of Military Sciences (AMS), and the China Institute of International Studies (CIIS).² The ranking was compiled at the 2006 "Chinese Think Tank Forum," which was sponsored by CASS, the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies, and the Pacific Society of China (*Ta Kung Pao*, 9 November 2006). The ranking was reportedly based on the number of policy consultations and research reports submitted by the respective think tanks to the PRC government, as well as how "influential" each think tank's policy advice was on China's political, economic, cultural, military, and diplomatic development.
- CICIR was ranked fifth on a list of the "Top 25 Think Tanks in Asia" and 38th on a list of the "Top 50 Worldwide Think Tanks" compiled by the University of Pennsylvania in its 2010 "Global Go To Think Tank Rankings," a self-acclaimed "comprehensive ranking" of the world's think tanks based on a worldwide survey of nearly 1,500 scholars, policy makers, journalists, and subject matters experts around the world and across the political spectrum (University of Pennsylvania, 28 January 2010). CICIR was also ranked 10th on the list of "Best Government Affiliated Think Tanks" in the same survey.

CICIR's Close Relationship with PRC Ministry of State Security

Although frequently discussed in the overseas press, CICIR's affiliation with the MSS is rarely acknowledged in the PRC media. CICIR's website says the organization was established in 1980 following a State Council directive that called for the creation of new institutions for international studies.

- A rare exception to this rule was a 2009 article in *Liaowang*, a journal published by China's official Xinhua News Agency, which described CICIR as "subordinate" to the MSS (26 January 2009).

Hong Kong independent media, however, have published a number of articles purporting to offer details on the relationship between CICIR and the MSS.

- *Cheng Ming*, a non-PRC-owned monthly magazine with an anti-Beijing editorial line and a tendency to sensationalize, claimed that CICIR is the intelligence research arm -- known as "the Eighth Bureau" -- of the MSS (1 September 1996, 1 March 1997).
- *Chien Shao* -- an independent Hong Kong monthly with a similar editorial line and reporting style to *Cheng Ming* -- agreed with *Cheng Ming's* assertion that CICIR conducts "intelligence research and analysis" for the MSS, but disputed the claim that

² The China Think Tank Forum's full list of China's top ten think tanks is: 1) CASS; 2) DRC; 3) CAS; 4) AMS; 5) CIIS; 6) CICIR; 7) the China National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation; 8) the China Association for Science and Technology; 9) the China Institute for International Strategic Studies; and 10) the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies.

CICIR is the ministry's "Eighth Bureau." According to *Chien Shao*, CICIR was the eighth bureau of the former Central Investigation Department (CID) of the Central Committee (中共中央调查部), but the unit's status changed when the CID was merged with the counter-intelligence department of the PRC Ministry of Public Security (公安部) to become the new Ministry of State Security in 1983 (1 January 2006).³

Western media reports have elaborated on these allegations, claiming that CICIR has provided intelligence collection support to the MSS and the Foreign Affairs Leading Group (FALG), the CPC's top foreign policy body.

- CICIR has always been "bureaucratically subordinate to the FALG" -- the institute's "principal customer" -- and the MSS "pays most of [its] bills," according to David Shambaugh, director of the China Policy Program at George Washington University.⁴ As a result, Shambaugh argued, CICIR -- China's "oldest" international relations think tank and the only one that continued to function during the Cultural Revolution -- is essentially a "Soviet-style intelligence organ."
- The MSS and CICIR have built an "open source intelligence system" to allow greater "intelligence sharing" between the various PRC government departments, according to the Paris-based *Intelligence Online*, a newsletter focusing on political and economic intelligence (14 July, EUP20110718177005).
- In October 2007, CICIR researchers Xu Tao (许涛), Feng Yujun (冯玉军), and Li Dong (李东) traveled to Kiev and Lvov to "glean social and political information" about Ukraine and Georgia, according to *Intelligence Online* (23 March 2007, EUP20070322338007). The report described the visit as an attempt to coordinate the MSS's efforts to monitor the political situation in the two former Soviet republics and to help CICIR analyze "how the CIA had used NGOs" to foment revolution.
- *Intelligence Online* also claimed that Gong Xiaosheng (宫小生), then head of China's representative office to the Palestinian National Authority, received training from the CICIR as a "strategic agent" and reported to both the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the MSS on the Israel-Palestine issue (9 June 2006, EUP20060609338007). Gong was later appointed as Chinese ambassador to Jordan in September 2006 and currently serves as Chinese ambassador to Turkey, according to authoritative PRC media (*Renmin Ribao*, 20 September 2006; *Xinhua*, 6 November 2008).

Geng Huichang (耿惠昌), the Minister of State Security since 2007, served as CICIR president from 1990 to 1993, after which he began working at the Ministry of State Security, according to Hong Kong independent media (*Sing Tao Jih Pao*, 31 August 2007).

³ According to *Chien Shao*, the current MSS 8th Bureau -- known as the Bureau of Counterespionage Surveillance (反间谍侦查局) -- is responsible for the shadowing, surveillance, investigation, and arrest of foreign spies.

⁴ David Shambaugh, "China's International Relations Think Tanks: Evolving Structure and Process." *The China Quarterly*, No. 171 (Sep 2002), pp. 575-596.

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- Geng was reportedly an expert on commercial intelligence and international issues, in particular those related to the United States and Japan (*Sing Tao Jih Pao*, 31 August 2007; *South China Morning Post*, 31 August 2007; *Hong Kong Information Center for Human Rights and Democracy*, 31 August 2007).

No other senior MSS officials were observed to have previous work experience at CICIR, or vice versa. However, CICIR appears to have a close relationship with the University of International Relations (UIR, 国际关系学院) in Beijing, with nearly half of the organization's senior leadership -- including President Cui Liru and Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies Yuan Peng -- having either taught or studied at the school. (See Appendix D for profiles of CICIR leaders.)

- According to David Shambaugh, UIR was established in 1964 on the order of then premier Zhou Enlai to "train intelligence personnel for the Investigation Department and (undercover) at Xinhua News Agency." Shambaugh also noted, without elaboration, that CICIR's leadership "all share lengthy and shadowy careers in the intelligence service."

CICIR Research Reportedly Aids MSS

Liaowang, *Chien Shao*, and *Cheng Ming* have all asserted that CICIR is responsible for providing the MSS with research and analysis (*Liaowang*, 26 January 2009; *Cheng Ming*, 1 September 1996; *Chien Shao*, 1 January 2006). In addition, the *Cheng Ming* report -- though now 15 years old -- further alleged that the Ministry of State Security would compare and verify the authenticity of intelligence information obtained from secret channels with open source materials compiled by CICIR before submitting intelligence reports to China's top decision-making body, the CPC Politburo (1 September 1996).

Cheng Ming also claimed that CICIR had been assigned the following specific duties:

- Extensively collect open source information from major news agencies, newspapers and magazines of all large and medium-sized countries;
- Translate selected articles and extracts from the press and submit such materials to the MSS in the form of reference reports;
- Provide every foreign affairs secretary of each member of the CPC Politburo Standing Committee with subscriptions to major English-language newspapers as well as major Hong Kong- and Taiwan-based newspapers and magazines;
- Compile and publish *Guoji Guanxi Yanjiu* (国际关系研究) [*Studies in International Relations*] and *Shubao Jianxun* (书报简讯) [*Summaries of Books and Newspapers*] for

internal-only circulation among government units at the provincial, group army, and ministerial levels;⁵

- Publish the quarterly [now monthly] Chinese-language journal *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi* (现代国际关系) [*Contemporary International Relations*], which is open for public subscriptions (see Appendix C for details).

A 1997 research report published by Taiwan's Mainland Affairs Council -- the island's highest-level administrative organ in charge of China affairs -- also claimed that CICIR was responsible for collecting intelligence related to Taiwan's diplomatic efforts and international relations.⁶

CICIR Focused on Sino-US Relations

An OSC survey of CICIR's published work demonstrates that while the institute's research covers the gamut of global affairs, its foremost focus is the United States and the Sino-US relationship.

- Between June 2009 and December 2010, the United States was the topic of 53 percent of the non-domestic articles in *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi*, CICIR's main Chinese-language journal, and of 60 percent of the articles in the English-language *Contemporary International Relations*. (See Appendix B for details.)

CICIR Involved in Research on Terrorism, Arab Spring

In addition to its focus on the United States, CICIR is also particularly involved in research on global counter-terrorism efforts, as well as on political unrest in the Middle East and North Africa since late 2010, otherwise known as the "Arab Spring."

- CICIR set up a Terrorism Research Center in 2000, putting it at the "forefront" of the field of counter-terrorism studies in China as the first domestic think tank with such a unit, according to the CICIR website. The research of the CICIR Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies focuses on international terrorism, extremism, transnational organized crime, and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.
- Since the first democratic protests in Tunisia in December 2010, CICIR has held four separate meetings focused on the "Arab Spring" and the ensuing political situation in the Middle East and North Africa -- a topic second only to the Sino-US relationship as

⁵ *Guoji Guanxi Yanjiu*, which the report alleged is published every ten days, focuses mainly on major events in world politics as well as major countries' policies toward China. *Shubao Jianxun*, published in the form of a news bulletin every three to four days, is a compilation of excerpts of speeches by public figures around the world, documents promulgated by the governments of major countries, and editorials and influential articles in major papers around the world.

⁶ Chu Yun-han, "Research Studies on the Role on Taiwan of the Communist Party of China's Think Tanks" (中共對台智庫角色之研究). Published by Taiwan's Executive Yuan Mainland Affairs Council in 1997.

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the most frequent subject of discussion. (See Appendix E and F for lists of CICIR's meetings with foreign officials and scholars.)

CICIR Conducts Global Outreach Program

According to its website, CICIR runs a well-established global outreach program to increase its collaboration with foreign diplomats, scholars, and think tanks, primarily by hosting international conferences, holding closed-door meetings with foreign guests, and sending representatives to overseas academic meetings.

CICIR has frequently hosted private meetings between foreign representatives and CICIR leaders or researchers. Noted foreign diplomats who have met with CICIR leaders include former US Ambassador to China Jon Huntsman, Japanese Ambassador to China Uichiro Niwa, ROK Ambassador to China Yu Woo-ik, Afghan Ambassador to China Sultan Ahmad Bahee, Australian Ambassador to China Geoff Raby, and Cuban Ambassador to China Carlos Miguel Pereira, among others. (For a more complete list see Appendix F and Appendix G.)

PRC media report that CICIR has also occasionally hosted or co-hosted international symposiums discussing regional or global issues, including "The Changing World and China" (2010), "Advanced Technology Development and Contemporary International Relations" (2006; 2008), "A Symposium on the Sino-EU Strategic Dialogue" (2006); "Sea Route Security" (2004); "History and Prospects of Cross-Straits Exchanges" (2004); "Changing China and Prospects for Sino-ROK Relations" (2004); and "Olympic Security: Preparations and Measures" (2003) (*Guangming Ribao*, 11 September 2010; *Renmin Ribao*, 4 December 2008; *Renmin Ribao*, 28 November 2006; *Renmin Ribao*, 19 December 2006; *Zhongguo Haiyang Bao*, 16 April 2004; *Jingji Ribao*, 22 June 2004; *Renmin Ribao Overseas Edition*, 22 November 2004; *Ta Kung Pao*, 23 September 2003).

For more information on CICIR's organizational structure, research work, leaders, and prominent scholars, see Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix D, and Appendix E.

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Appendix A: CICIR Research Institutes, Divisions, and Centers

List of CICIR Research Institutes, Divisions, and Centers

The China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) includes 11 research institutes, eight research centers, two research divisions, and several administrative departments, according to its official website. CICIR is currently staffed with 380 researchers and administrative personnel, of which 150 are research fellows or associate research fellows. CICIR was not observed to provide any information about the differences between research institutes, research divisions, and research centers.

- Institute of Russian Studies (俄罗斯研究所)
- Institute of American Studies (美国研究所)
- Institute of Latin American Studies (拉美研究所)
- Institute of European Studies (欧洲研究所)
- Institute of Japanese Studies (日本研究所)
- Institute of West Asian and African Studies (西亚非洲研究所)
- Institute of Security and Arms Control Studies (安全与军控研究所)
- Institute of World Economic Studies (世界经济研究所)
- Institute of Information and Social Development Studies (信息与社会发展研究所)
- Institute of World Political Studies (世界政治研究所)
- Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian and Oceanic Studies (南亚东南亚及大洋洲研究所)
- Center for Hong Kong and Macau-Related Studies (涉港澳事务研究中心)
- Center for Taiwan-Related Studies (涉台事务研究中心)
- Center for Ethnic and Religious Studies (民族宗教研究中心)
- Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies (反恐怖研究中心)
- Center for Crisis Management Studies (危机管理研究中心)
- Center for Economic Security Studies (经济安全研究中心)
- Center for Globalization Studies (全球化研究中心)
- Center for Marine Strategy Studies (海洋战略研究中心)
- Division for Korean Peninsula Studies (朝鲜半岛研究室)
- Division for Central Asian Studies (中亚研究室)

In 2003, CICIR's Chinese name was modified slightly, from "Zhongguo Xiandai Guoji Guanxi Yanjiu Suo" (中国现代国际关系研究所) to "Zhongguo Xiandai Guoji Guanxi Yanjiu Yuan" (中国现代国际关系研究院), according to the CICIR website. Both names are rendered the same in English.

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Research Foci of CICIR Institutes, Divisions, and Centers

The following information on CICIR research institutes, research divisions, and research centers is as according to the official CICIR website.

Research Institute	Director	Research Focus
Institute of Russian Studies 俄罗斯研究所	<i>Feng Yujun</i> 冯玉军	• Contemporary geopolitical studies on Russia and Russian-speaking countries in Europe and Asia • Research studies on the economic development, military, and diplomatic policies of Russia and Russian-speaking countries in Europe and Asia
Institute of American Studies 美国研究所	<i>Yuan Peng</i> 袁鹏	• The Sino-US relationship • US strategy in the Asia-Pacific region • American political, economic, military, social, cultural, and diplomatic policies
Institute of Latin American Studies 拉美研究所	<i>Wu Hongying</i> 吴洪英	• Latin American countries' parliamentary and political party systems, political development, economic systems, development strategies, economic policies, security policies, foreign relations, and regional integration • Individual studies on major Latin American countries including Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Venezuela, Cuba, Chile, and Peru • The history of and prospects for Sino-Latin American relations • The role of the Taiwan issue in Sino-Latin American relations • Thematic studies on Latin American countries' global positions and their stances on UN reform, new energy, and climate change
Institute of European Studies 欧洲研究所	<i>Feng Zhongping</i> 冯仲平	• European Union (EU) countries' policies towards China • Sino-EU relations and strategic partnerships in trade, economics, politics, and culture • Studies on the party politics, domestic and foreign policies, economic and social problems, and ideological trends of Western European countries, particularly the United Kingdom, France, Germany and Italy • EU integration, diplomacy, and common foreign and security policy • Relations among EU member nations • EU-NATO relations • The development and functions of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) • Economic and social transitions in the countries of

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		Central and Eastern Europe and the West Balkan region, with an emphasis on Poland, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, and Serbia and Montenegro
Institute of Japanese Studies 日本研究所	<i>Hu Jiping</i> 胡继平	Japan's contemporary politics, economic situation, military issues, society, culture, and diplomatic policies
Institute of West Asian and African Studies 西亚非洲研究所	<i>Li Rong</i> 李荣	- Contemporary South Asian, Southeast Asian, Middle Eastern and African studies, with an emphasis on the political, economic, cultural, security, and foreign policies of specific countries and the region as a whole - Issues related to EU-Mediterranean partnership, the African Union, the Gulf Cooperation Council, the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), the New Partnership for Africa's Development, the Kurdish issue, the Palestinian-Israel conflict, the Iraq war, the Kurdish issue, the Iranian nuclear crisis, the Darfur crisis, ethnic and tribal conflicts in the region, and others
Institute of Security and Arms Control Studies 安全与军控研究所	<i>Li Wei</i> 李伟	- Arms control, non-proliferation and nuclear security issues - International terrorism and counter-terrorism issues - Transnational organized crime, cyber security, and information security, as well as other traditional and non-traditional security issues - Conflict resolution and peace-keeping issues - Religious extremism
Institute of World Economic Studies 世界经济研究所	<i>Chen Fengying</i> 陈凤英	- China's foreign economic relations - The global economic situation and future trends - International economic, financial, and monetary developments - Global trade and energy issues, sustainable economic development, national economic security, international division of labor and industrial offshoring, economic globalization, and regional economic integration - The economic policies and situations of specific countries and major regions
Institute of Information and Social Development Studies 信息与社会发展研究所	<i>Zhang Li</i> 张力	- Information security systems, information security policies, and the latest related trends in various countries around the world - The opportunities, challenges, and impact of informatization on society - Analysis of Internet public opinion
Institute of World Political Studies	<i>Zhai Kun</i>	- Global trends and strategic situations - Relationships among the major powers and the rise of

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世界政治研究所	翟崑	- new emerging countries - Structural reform within the United Nations (UN), international organizations, and non-governmental organizations - China's diplomatic strategy - Global political ideology, global governance, and issues related to climate change
Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies 南亚东南亚及大洋洲研究所	<i>Hu Shisheng</i> 胡仕胜	- South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Oceania countries, as well as key organizations and persons in the region - The South China Sea issue - The Tibet issue

Research Center	Director	Research Focus
Center for Hong Kong and Macau Studies 涉港澳事务研究中心	<i>Zhang Yuncheng</i> 张运成	- China's relationship with Hong Kong and Macau - Political, socio-economic, and financial issues in Hong Kong and Macau - The relationships between China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macau - The implementation and development of the "one country, two systems" model in Hong Kong and Macau - International organizations' relationships with Hong Kong and Macau
Center for Taiwan Studies 涉台事务研究中心	<i>Niu Xinchun</i> 牛新春	- Policy studies on Taiwan - Taiwan's relationships with major countries and regions
Center for Ethnic and Religious Studies 民族宗教研究中心	<i>He Xiquan</i> 何希泉	- The impact of ethnic and religious issues on individual countries' social, political, and economic development, as well as on international relations, regional stability, and peripheral security - Studies issues related to ethnicity or religion from a transnational or multi-regional perspective
Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies 反恐怖研究中心	<i>Fu Xiaoqiang</i> 傅小强	- International terrorism and extremism - Transnational organized crime - The proliferation of weapons of mass destruction
Center for Crisis Management Studies 危机管理研究中心	<i>Zhang Li</i> 张力	Theoretical studies and case studies of current or potential crises both in China and abroad
Center for Economic Security Studies 经济安全研究中心	<i>Jiang Yong</i> 江涌	- China's national economic and security strategy, external factors affecting China's economic security - China's national energy security, financial security, grain security, water and ecological security, cyber security, scientific and technological security, and human resources security

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Center for Globalization Studies 全球化研究中心	<i>Liu Junhong</i> 刘军红	Studies on the global governance system, global order, global strategy, and the ways in which these issues could be impacted by the international currency and financial system, international commodity pricing system, international trade and investment system, the global climate and environment, the global energy system, and global disaster-relief work
Center for Marine Strategy Studies 海洋战略研究中心	<i>Wang Shan</i> (Deputy Director) 王珊	Studies related to China's maritime issues, major powers' maritime strategies, regional maritime security cooperation, and the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea

Research Division	Director	Research Focuses
Division for Korean Peninsula Studies 朝鲜半岛研究室	<i>Qi Baoliang</i> 戚保良	- Comprehensive research on the politics, economics, military, society, culture, and external relations of both the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and the Republic of Korea (ROK) - Topics related to North-South reconciliation and reunification, the regional security structure in Northeast Asia, regional economic cooperation, and Sino-DPRK friendly cooperative relations
Division for Central Asian Studies 中亚研究室	<i>Ding Xiaoxing</i> 丁晓星	- Studies on the political, economic, military and diplomatic policies of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan - China's relationships with Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan - Bilateral and multilateral economic, security, and energy cooperation in Central Asia - Non-traditional security threats in Central Asia, including ethnic separatism, religious extremism, drug manufacturing and trafficking, illegal immigration, water shortages, and pollution - Issues related to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)

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Other Supporting Departments	Director	Major Duties
President's Office 院长办公室		No information available
Department of International Exchanges 国际交流部	<i>Du Yanjun</i> 杜艳钧	- Oversee CICIR's external academic exchanges - Assist the CICIR leadership in formulating and executing annual, medium, and long-term external affairs plans - Keep in contact with foreign research institutions regarding academic exchange programs - Invite foreign experts and scholars to carry out academic activities in China - Liaise with foreign diplomatic missions and media outlets stationed in China - Arrange overseas academic visits for CICIR researchers and staff - Organize and co-sponsor international conferences and symposiums
Editorial Department of CICIR's Journals 院刊编辑部	<i>Li Limin</i> 林利民	Oversee the editing, publication, and distribution of CICIR's academic journals, including the Chinese-language monthly journal <i>Xiandai Guoji Guanxi</i>, the English-language monthly journal <i>Contemporary International Relations</i>, and the Chinese-language monthly reference journal <i>Guoji Ziliao Xinxi</i>
Library 图书馆	<i>Gao Guang</i> 高光	Manage CICIR's library of approximately 500,000 Chinese and foreign-language books and over 1,000 periodicals and newspapers
Department of Human Resources 人力资源部	<i>Cai Xiaoguang</i> 蔡小光	- Manage staff and doctoral student recruitment - Provide staff training, oversee staff management, and conduct performance assessments - Offer human resources policy consultation

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Appendix B: CICIR Publications

Publicly accessible periodicals published by CICIR include the Chinese-language monthly journal *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi* [*Contemporary International Relations*], the English-language bi-monthly journal *Contemporary International Relations*, and the Chinese-language monthly reference journal *Guoji Ziliao Xinxi* [*International Data Information*]. CICIR has also published dozens of books and reports on global security, anti-terrorism, and other topics; for a list of these works, see Appendix C.

According to a 1996 *Cheng Ming* report, CICIR also publishes two restricted-access internal publications: *Guoji Guanxi Yanjiu* (国际关系研究) [*Studies in International Relations*] and *Shubao Jianxun* (书报简讯) [*Summaries of Books and Newspapers*] for circulation among government units at the provincial, army, and ministerial levels. According the report, *Guoji Guanxi Yanjiu*, published every ten days, mainly focuses on world politics, economics, major events, and changes in the political situations of major countries, as well as major countries' policies toward China. *Shubao Jianxun*, published as a news bulletin every three to four days, compiles excerpts of works by public figures around the world, documents promulgated by the governments of major countries, and editorials or articles of influence from major papers around the world.

Xiandai Guoji Guanxi



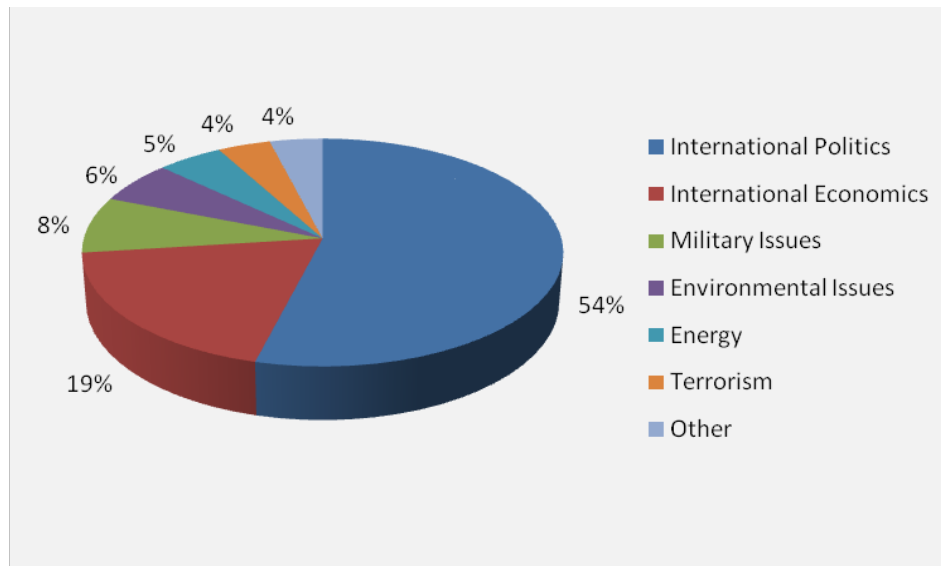
Cover page of *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi*, Issue No 12, 2010

The Chinese-language *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi* (现代国际关系), first published in 1981, positions itself as an "authoritative" and "central-level comprehensive academic journal" on international issues based on its "relatively high academic status and social influence" in the PRC, according to the official CICIR website.

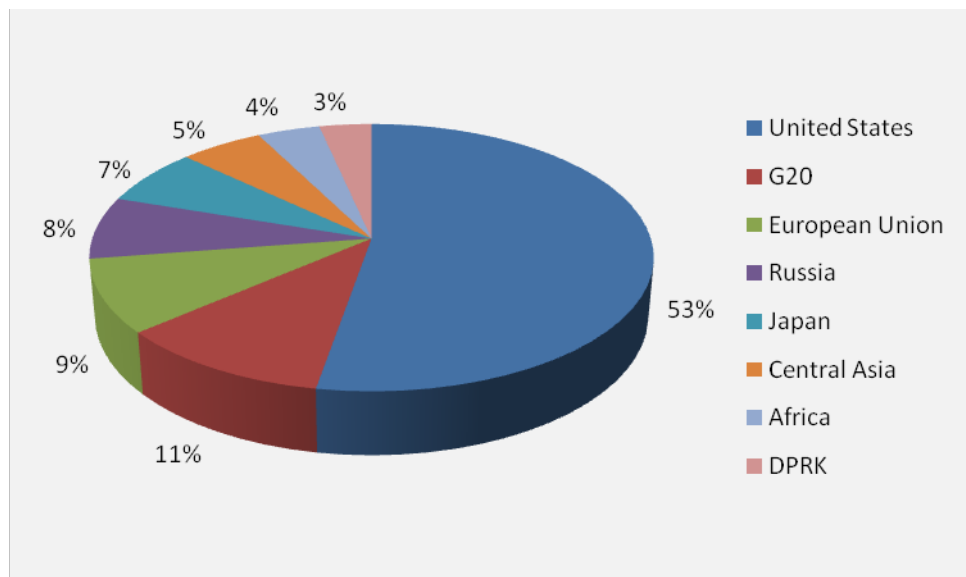
Xiandai Guoji Guanxi began publishing quarterly in 1986, became a bi-monthly journal in 1992, and has been published monthly since 1993. The journal earned the Nomination Award for the National Journal Prize in 2002, an award conferred by the PRC General Administration of Press and Publications (GAPP) in recognition of "academic excellence." *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi* was also named in the "Guide to China's Core Journals" three times since 1992, in the categories of diplomacy, international relations, and international economics.

According to an OSC survey of articles published in *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi* between June 2009 and December 2010, approximately 54 percent of the journal's content focuses on international political issues, 19 percent on global economics, and eight percent on military issues (see Chart 1 for details).

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Chart 1: Topics of Articles in Xiandai Guoji Guanxi, Jun 09 - Dec 10

The OSC survey also revealed the United States was the foreign nation most frequently discussed in *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi*, with 53 percent its articles during the evaluation period analyzing either the Sino-US relationship or topics related to the US, for instance changes in US policy on Taiwan, the Obama administration's cyber security strategy, or US adjustments of its military deployments in the Persian Gulf region (see Chart 2 for details).

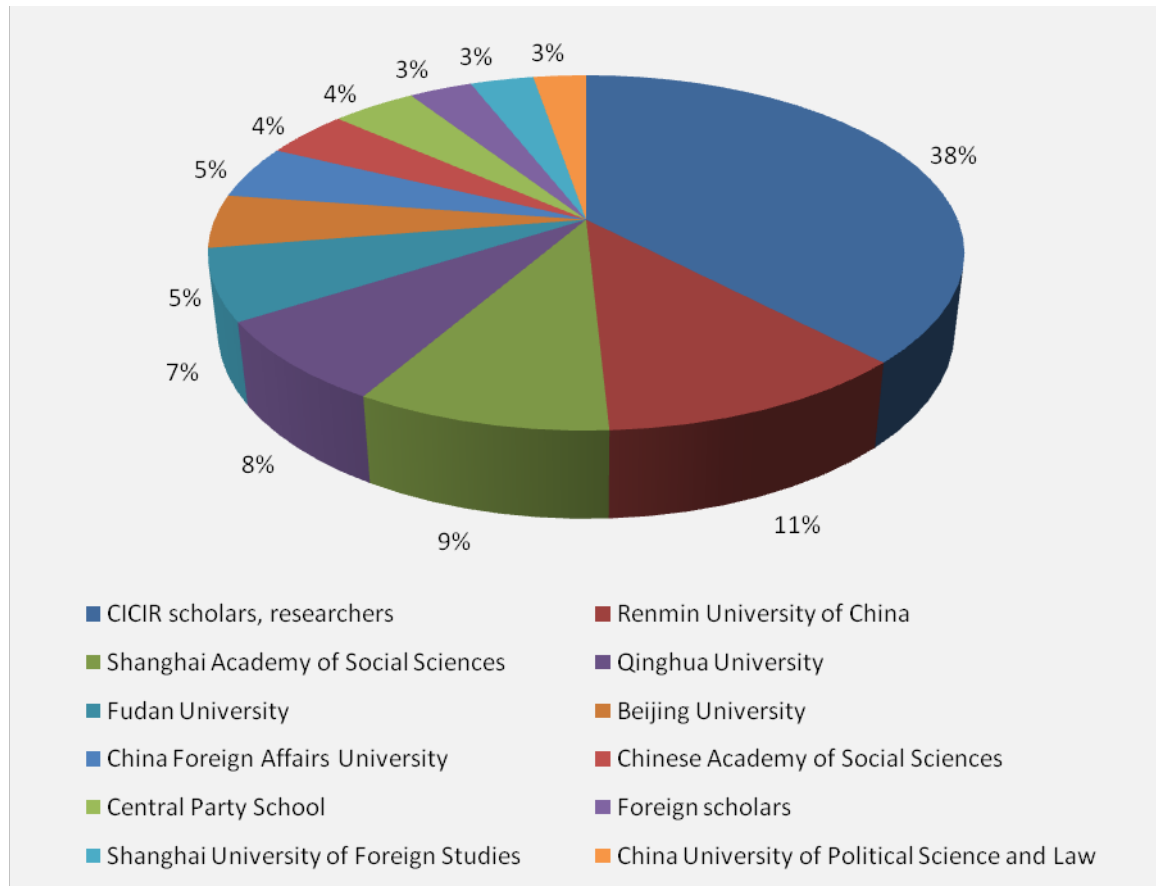
Chart 2: Foreign Nations Discussed in Xiandai Guoji Guanxi, Jun 09 - Dec 10

Note: Individual countries or international organizations that were the subject of less than two percent of articles have been excluded. Articles focused solely on Chinese domestic issues have also been excluded.

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During the evaluation period, 26 percent of the articles appearing in *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi* were contributed by CICIR researchers and 36 percent were penned by scholars affiliated with prominent PRC universities or other think tanks, including Renmin University of China, the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), the Central Party School, the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences (SASS), Qinghua University (Tsinghua University), Beijing University (Peking University), and Fudan University (see Chart 3 for details).

Chart 3: *Authors of Articles in Xiandai Guoji Guanxi, Jun 09 - Dec 10*



Note: Organizations whose authors published less than three percent of total articles have been excluded.

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Contemporary International Relations



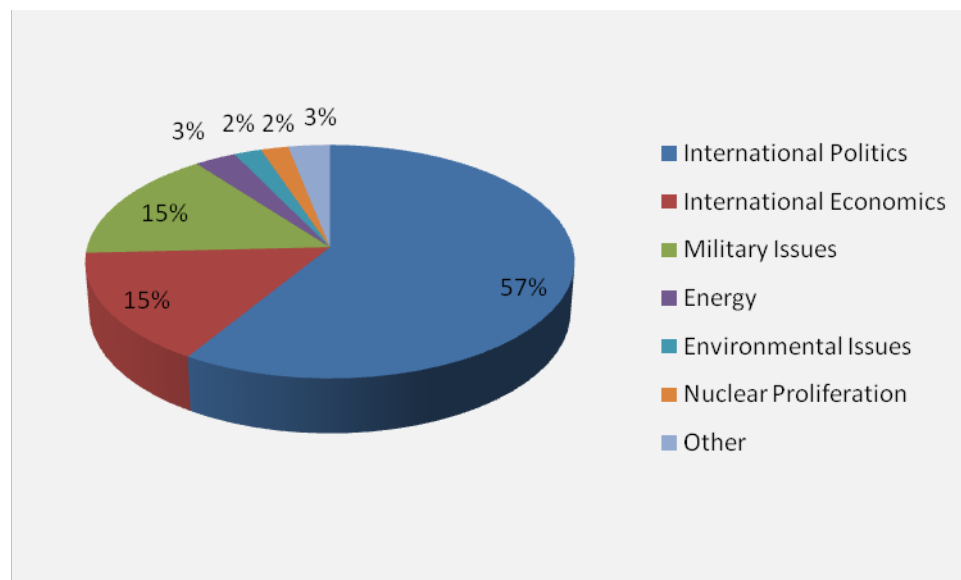
Cover page of *Contemporary International Relations*, No. 6, 2010

Contemporary International Relations portrays itself as a "policy-oriented research journal" whose articles -- all written in English -- mainly focus on policy analysis, international politics, and international relations, according to the CICIR website.

Contemporary International Relations started off as a single-page pamphlet in 1990, was repackaged as a monthly journal in 1992, and has been published bi-monthly since 2006. Its articles cover a broad range of topics from global and regional political, economic, and security issues, state-to-state relations, specific countries' domestic political, economic, and social issues, arms control, non-conventional security issues, PRC foreign policy, international political theory, and others.

According to an OSC survey of articles published in *Contemporary International Relations* between July 2009 and December 2010, around 57 percent of the journal's content discussed international political issues such as the Obama administration's strategic reassurance policy towards China, the revival of the US-Russian relationship, or Europe's challenges in handling its growing Muslim population (see Chart 4 for details). The second and third most-popular topics in *Contemporary International Relations* were international economic issues and military issues.

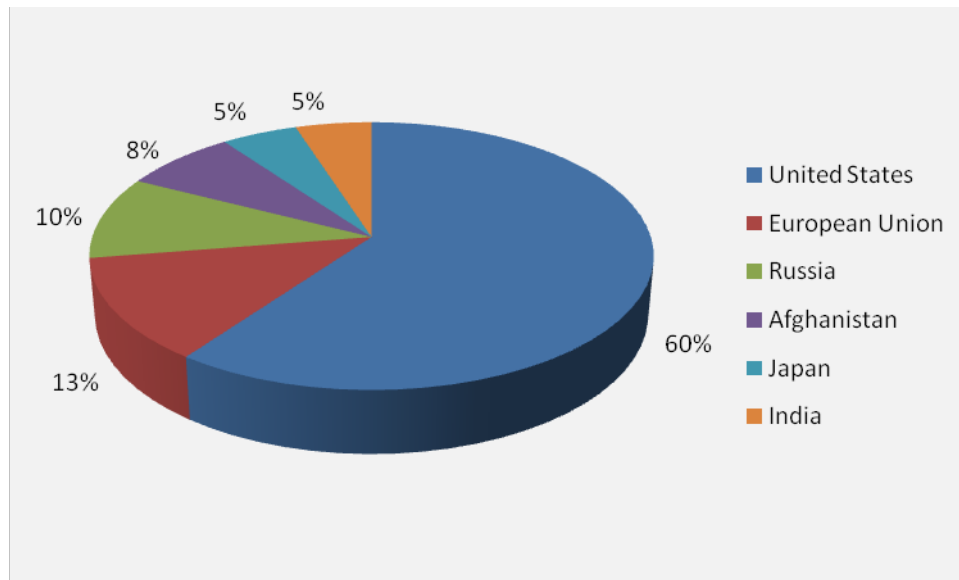
Chart 4: Topics of Articles in *Contemporary International Relations*, Jun 09 - Dec 10



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Over half of *Contemporary International Relations'* articles focused on issues related to the United States, by far the most frequent subject (see Chart 5 for details).

Chart 5: *Foreign Nations Discussed in Contemporary International Relations, Jun 09 - Dec 10*

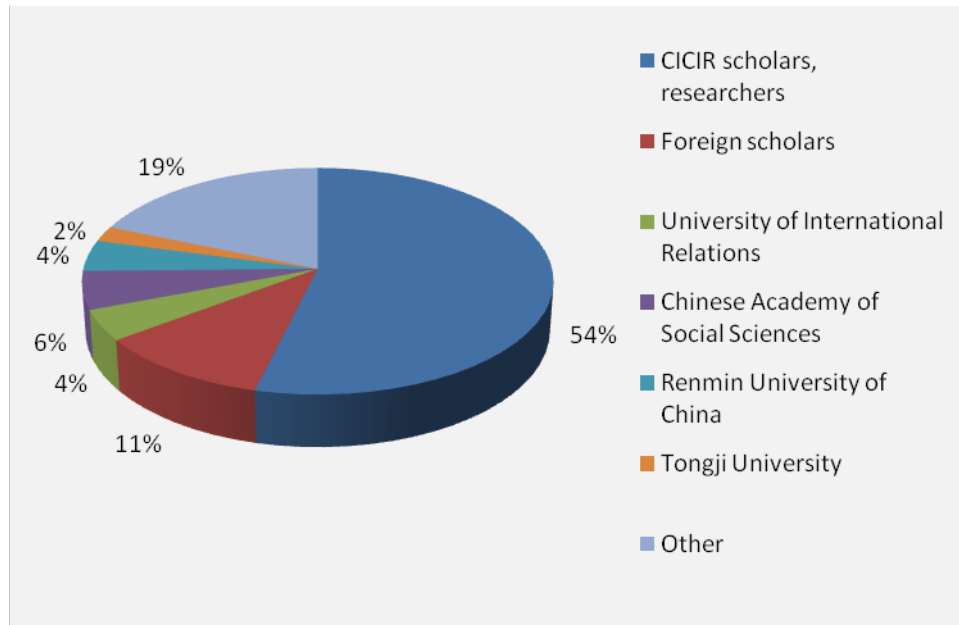


Note: Individual countries or international organizations that were the subject of less than two percent of articles have been excluded. Articles focused solely on Chinese domestic issues have also been excluded.

During the evaluation period, 43 percent of articles in the journal were English translations of articles that originally appeared in PRC journals such as *Asia & Africa Review* (亚非纵横), *Nanfang Zazhi* (南方杂志), or *Guoji Shiyong Jingji* (国际石油经济). Sixteen percent of articles in *Contemporary International Relations* originated in its sister publication, *Xiandai Guoji Guanxi*.

Over half of the articles published in *Contemporary International Relations* during the evaluation period were written by CICIR researchers, while 11 percent were penned by foreign scholars (see Table 6 for details). *Contemporary International Relations* also published numerous "exclusive" articles contributed by researchers and scholars from universities and research institutions both from the PRC and abroad.

Chart 6: Authors of Articles in Contemporary International Relations, Jun 09 - Dec 10



Note: Organizations whose authors published less than two percent of total articles have been excluded.

Guoji Ziliao Xinxi



Cover page of Guoji Ziliao Xinxi, Issue No 9, 2010

Guoji Ziliao Xinxi (国际资料信息) [*International Data Information*] is a monthly journal that provides reference materials including background information on current global issues, biographies of political leaders and senior government officials around the world, and roundups of international trends, global situations, or historical issues.

Guoji Ziliao Xinxi also provides economic data and statistics related to global oil, natural gas, and coal production and consumption volume, import and export trade volume, and gross domestic product (GDP) for major countries and regions.

Most *Guoji Ziliao Xinxi* articles are contributed by either CICIR deputy research fellows or lecturers, or graduate students at PRC universities.

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Appendix C: CICIR Books and Reports, 2005 - 2010

The following information on CICIR publications is as according to the official CICIR website.

Year	Title	Author/Editor
2010	Strategic and Security Review 2009-2010	CICIR
	The Strategy of Chinese Sea Power	Ju Hailong 鞠海龙
2009	Strategic and Security Review 2008-2009	CICIR
	Overview of Foreign NGOs	CICIR Research Team
	International Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism Yearbook 2008	CICIR Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies (CCTS)
	Contemporary International Relations	Ding Jinguang 丁金光
		Li Guangmin 李广民
	Global Climate Change Diplomacy and China's Policy	Yang Jiemian 杨洁勉
	State Characteristics and World Order -- A Study on the Change of International Politics	Yu Yixuan 俞沂暄
	An Exploration Into Multilateral Security Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific	Guo Xinning 郭新宁
	Strategic and Security Review 2008-2009	CICIR
2008	International Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism Yearbook 2007	CICIR CCTS
	China and the World Harmony in Economic Growth	CICIR Institute of World Economic Studies
	Strategic and Security Review 2007-2008	CICIR
2007	A Record of Major Events in Global and Regional State-To-State Relations (2006)	CICIR Center for International Information
	International Terrorism & Counter-Terrorism Yearbook 2006	CICIR CCTS
	Strategic and Security Review 2006-2007	CICIR
2006	World Affairs Memorandum 2005	CICIR
	Hostage Rescue and Special Forces	CICIR CCTS
	International Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Yearbook	CICIR CCTS
	Security Cooperation Mechanisms in Northeast Asia	CICIR
	Strategic and Security Review 2005-2006	CICIR
2005	The United States and the Islamic World	Gao Zugui 高祖贵
	China-US Relations: A Strategic Analysis	CICIR Institute of American Studies
	Global Energy Structures	CICIR Center for Economic Security Studies (CESS)
	Sea-Lane Security and International Cooperation	CICIR Research Team on Sea Lane Security
	Russian Think Tanks on Foreign Affairs	CICIR Institute of Russian Studies
	Building Social Harmony: International Experiences	CICIR CESS
	Global Strategic Resources Review	CICIR CESS
	National Economic Security	CICIR CESS

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Appendix D: CICIR Leaders, Prominent Scholars

List of CICIR Leaders

Position	English Name	Chinese Name
President 院长	Cui Liru	崔立如
Vice President 副院长	Li Huiying	李惠英
	Tao Jian	陶坚
	Ji Zhiye	季志业
	Yang Mingjie	杨明杰
	Lei Hong	雷虹
	Wang Zaibang	王在邦
	Li Shaoxian	李绍先
Assistant to the President 院长助理	Fu Mengzi	傅梦孜
	Feng Zhongping	冯仲平

Profiles of Prominent CICIR Leaders and Scholars

CICIR President Cui Liru



Cui Liru
(fpag.fmprc.gov.cn)

Cui Liru (崔立如) has served as CICIR president and research fellow since 2005. In October 2008, Cui was appointed as a member of the Expert Committee of the PRC Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Foreign Policy Advisory Group, whose main function is to act as a consultant to the Chinese Government on international events and diplomacy.

Cui previously served as director and research fellow at the State Information Center's Institute for World Information (1996-2004); director and research fellow at the now defunct CICIR Center for North American Studies (1994-1995); first secretary and counselor of the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations (1992-1994); deputy director and deputy research fellow at the CICIR Center for North American Studies (1985-1990); director and deputy research fellow at the CICIR Department of International Exchanges (1990-1991); assistant research fellow at CICIR (1980-1985); and visiting scholar at the State University of New York (1984), according to the official website of the PRC Ministry of Foreign Affairs'

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Foreign Policy Advisory Group (undated)⁷ and the official website of the CASS Institute of American Studies website (undated).⁸

Cui has also served as a visiting scholar at the University of International Relations in Beijing, adjunct professor at the PRC National Defense University and at Wuhan University, senior advisor to the China Association of Policy Science's Committee on National Security and Policy, and vice chairman of the Chinese Association of American Studies, according to the CASS website.

Born in Liaoning in 1952, Cui graduated from the Department of English and American Literature at Fudan University in 1976, according to the official website of the National Committee on United States-China Relations (undated).⁹

CICIR Vice President Li Shaoxian



*Li Shaoxian
(Zhongguo Wang,
undated)*

Li Shaoxian (李绍先) currently serves as vice president, research fellow, and supervisor of doctoral students at CICIR. Li is also the deputy secretary-general of the China Association of Middle East Studies. Li previously served at the now-defunct Third World Research Center and the Research Center for International Opinion, according to PRC State Council Information Office-run portal Zhongguo Wang (undated).¹⁰

Li is an expert on Middle East issues and occasionally appears on the "Focus Today" evening commentary program on CCTV-4 -- the international channel of PRC state broadcaster China Central Television (CCTV) -- discussing issues such as the Israel-Palestinian relationship and US policy on Iran and Iraq.¹¹

Li is a director of the Chinese-Arab Friendship Association, an advisor on international issues for the CCTV news center, and contributing commentator to CCTV's overseas channel (*Yuncheng Ribao*, 11 December 2006). Li receives a Chinese Government special allowance, a privilege granted to Chinese experts and scholars who have made "outstanding contributions" to the country (Renmin Wang, 10 September 2010; Zhongguo Wang, undated).

Li attended Shanxi University from 1979 to 1983, majoring in history. He was later a graduate student at the University of International Studies, according to the Shanxi University website (undated).¹²

⁷ fpag.fmprc.gov.cn

⁸ ias.cass.cn

⁹ www.ncuscr.org

¹⁰ www.china.org.cn

¹¹ To see Li on CCTV's "Focus Today," refer to the following OSC items: CPP20101110172001, CPP20101001172002, and CPP20100826196001

¹² www.sxu.edu.cn

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CICIR Vice President Ji Zhiye*Ji Zhiye (Sina)*

Ji Zhiye (季志业) currently serves as vice president of CICIR. Ji's research has focused on Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), according to the CICIR website.

Ji was assigned to work at CICIR in 1994 and has served as assistant to the president, director of the Institute of Russian Studies, director of the now-defunct Division of European and Asian Studies, research fellow, and supervisor of CICIR doctoral students.

Born in Jiangsu in 1956, Ji worked as a language teacher at Suzhou No.1 Secondary School for six years upon graduating from the Suzhou Normal School. Ji was admitted into Xuzhou Normal School's Department of History and took up a teaching post at the school upon graduation. Ji was shortlisted as a government-sponsored student for study abroad in Russia in 1988 and earned a doctoral degree from Russia's Vladimir Lenin University in 1993. Ji previously served as executive director of the China Society of East European and Central Asian Studies and an advisor on international issues for the CCTV news center (CCTV website, 26 July 2005).¹³

CICIR Vice President Wang Zaibang*Wang Zaibang
(Xinhua Wang, 3
July 2008)*

Wang Zaibang (王在邦) currently serves as vice president, research fellow, and supervisor of doctoral students at CICIR.

Wang started working at CICIR in 1992, and his research studies have focused on international strategy, security issues, and China's foreign policy. Wang is in charge of CICIR research work related to world politics, international strategy, and US-related studies.

Born in 1953, Wang earned a bachelor's degree in history from Qufu Normal University in 1982, a master's degree in international relations from Nanjing University in 1988, and a doctoral degree in international relations from Nanjing University in 1992.

Wang is also executive director of the China Society for Human Rights Studies. Wang was previously a visiting scholar at the Johns Hopkins University (China Society for Human Rights Studies website, 9 November 2007).¹⁴

¹³ www.cctv.com

¹⁴ www.humanrights.cn

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CICIR Vice President Yang Mingjie

*Yang Mingjie
(Renmin Wang, 18
Dec 2001)*

Yang Mingjie (杨明杰) currently serves as CICIR vice president. Yang is director of the China Arms Control and Disarmament Association and a member of the Chinese Committee of the Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific. Unless otherwise stated, all information about Yang is from the website of the China Society for Human Rights Studies (9 November 2007).

Yang is also director of the China Society for Human Rights Studies and a member of the 10th Board of Directors of the China Association for International Understanding (CAIU), according to the CAIU website (undated).¹⁵

Yang previously served at various positions at CICIR, including director of the Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies; director of the Center for Crisis Management and Strategic Studies (now defunct); director of the Division of Arms Control and Security Studies; director of the Institute of Security and Strategic Studies (now defunct); deputy director of the Division for World Political Studies; assistant to the CICIR president; and research fellow.

Yang was a visiting scholar at Harvard University's Fairbank Center for East Asia Studies from 1994 to 1995, during which time he specialized in US China policy. Yang was also a visiting researcher at the US-based Henry Stimson Center in 2000 and at Japan's Institute of International Policy Studies in 2003.

Born in Beijing in 1965, Yang graduated from Beijing University's Faculty of International Politics in 1988. In 1991, he joined CICIR after earning a master's degree from the University of International Relations. Yang enrolled as a full-time doctoral student at CICIR in 1999, and he earned a doctoral degree in 2004 for his research on US diplomacy.

CICIR Vice President Tao Jian

*Tao Jian
(CICIR website)*

Tao Jian (陶坚) currently serves as CICIR vice president in charge of Taiwan affairs, according to Macau daily newspaper *Hsin Hua Ao Pao* [*Jornal San Wa Ou*] (7 April 2010). Tao graduated from the University of International Relations' Department of International Politics, according to the university's official website (17 October 2009).¹⁶

¹⁵ www.cafiu.org.cn

¹⁶ www.uir.cn

Assistant to the President Fu Mengzi

Fu Mengzi
(Feng Huang Wang,
27 May 2010)

Fu Mengzi (傅梦孜) is a research fellow and assistant to the CICIR president, according to the CICIR website. Fu is also former director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies, according to *Huanqiu Shibao*, a daily published by the *Renmin Ribao*, the official newspaper of the Communist Party of China (CPC) (9 May 2006). Fu's primary areas of research are the Sino-US relationship and US diplomacy, according to the June 2007 issue of Hong Kong pro-PRC monthly magazine *Zhongguo Pinglun*. Fu currently serves an executive director of the Chinese Association of American Studies and supervisor of doctoral students at CICIR, according to the CASS website.

Born in 1963 in Hunan, Fu is also a former adjunct professor at the University of International Relations (Zhongguo Xinwen She, 6 July 2009).

Assistant to the President Feng Zhongping

Feng Zhongping
(Xinhua Wang, 16
Dec 2008)

Feng Zhongping (冯仲平) is currently the assistant to the CICIR president and director of the CICIR Institute of European Studies, according to the CICIR website. Feng's research focuses on the Sino-European relationship, the EU-US relationship, and issues related to European integration. Feng also serves as a research fellow and supervisor of doctoral students at CICIR, a visiting research fellow at the Renmin University of China's Center for European Studies, and an adjunct professor at the China Foreign Affairs University, according to the official website of the China Foreign Affairs University (undated).¹⁷

Formerly, Feng was an adjunct professor at Renmin University of China and at the University of International Relations, and he previously served as a research fellow at the CASS Institute of European Studies, according to website of the China Institute of Strategy and Management (3 March 2003).¹⁸ He was also formerly the director of the Center for European Studies at Renmin University of China (*Huanqiu Shibao*, 30 April 2004).

Feng earned a doctoral degree in history from the United Kingdom's Lancaster University in 1992, according to *Zhongguo Pinglun* (December 2005).

¹⁷ www.fac.edu.cn

¹⁸ www.cssm.gov.cn

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Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies Yuan Peng

*Yuan Peng
(Tengxun Wang, 29
October, 2008)*

Yuan Peng (袁鹏) currently serves a research fellow and director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies, according to the CICIR website. Yuan's research focuses on US diplomacy, the Sino-US relationship, the US-Taiwan relationship, and Asia-Pacific security, according to Xinhua Wang (30 July 2009).

Yuan is a visiting professor at the University of International Relations and a member of the academic committee of Beijing University's Center for International Strategic Studies. Yuan also sits on board of the US magazine *China Security*. In addition, Yuan was a former council member of the China-US People's Friendship Association, and visiting scholar at the Brookings Institution (2003-2004) and Atlantic Council (1999-2000). Born in 1966 in Hubei, Yuan attended Hubei University.

Yuan also holds a doctoral degree in history, according to *Sanxia Wanbao*, a newspaper sponsored by Hubei's Yichang City CPC Committee and published by the Hubei Ribao Publishing Group (9 April 2009).

Director of the CICIR Institute of Security and Arms Control Studies Li Wei

*Li Wei
(Renmin Wang,
undated)*

Li Wei (李伟) is the director of the CICIR Institute of Security and Arms Control Studies (formerly known as the Institute of Security and Strategic Studies), according to the CICIR website.

Li is a former director of the CICIR Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies (Renmin Wang, undated). Li's research focuses on counter-terrorism, international terrorism, and non-traditional security issues, according to the CICIR website and Renmin Wang (undated). A graduate of Renmin University of China, Li has occasionally written articles in the Hong Kong and mainland Chinese media about "terrorist" movements in Xinjiang and the East Turkistan "separatist forces" (*Huanqiu Shibao*, 27 July 2010; *Wen Wei Po*, 25 June 2010; Xinhua, 7 July 2009).

Director of the CICIR Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies Fu Xiaoqiang

Fu Xiaoqiang
(Feng Huang Wang,
13 August 2009)

Fu Xiaoqiang (傅小强) is director of the CICIR Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies, according to the CICIR website. Fu is an expert on Southeast Asian issues and has given frequent interviews to PRC media outlets on the Sino-Indian relationship and security issues in India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan (Zhongguo Xinwen She, 17 December 2010; 19 August 2010; *Guangzhou Ribao*, 12 February 2010; *Renmin Ribao*, 4 December 2009). Fu was formerly deputy director of the CICIR Center for Third World Studies and deputy research fellow at the CICIR Institute of West Asian and African Studies, according to PRC media (CCTV's 'Focus Today' program, 12 July 2007; *Jiefang Ribao*, 7 April 2005).

Former Director of the CICIR Institute of World Political Studies Gao Zugui

Gao Zugui
(Feng Huang Wang,
30 July 2010)

Gao Zugui (高祖贵) is the former director of the CICIR Institute of World Political Studies, according to the CICIR website. Gao's main research areas are US foreign policy, the Middle East, Islamic issues, China's security and diplomatic strategy, and international strategy, according to Gao's personal blog (undated).¹⁹

Gao was formerly the deputy director and a research fellow at the CICIR Institute of Security and Strategic Studies. Gao was a visiting scholar at the US Brookings Institution from February to August 2003. Gao was a PhD student in international politics at the Central Party School's Institute of International Strategic Studies from 1996 to 1999, according to the website of Zhongguo Pinglun Tongxun She, a Hong Kong press agency focused on international relations and cross-Strait affairs (undated).

¹⁹ blog.voc.com.cn/gaozugui

Appendix E: List of Meetings between CICIR and Government Officials

The following information on CICIR meetings is as according to the official CICIR website.

Date	PRC or Foreign Official	Topic of Meeting	CICIR Representative
19 May 11	Ross Campbell, Economic Officer at the US State Department's Office of Russian Affairs	<i>Sino-Russian relations and Sino-CIS relations</i>	Feng Yujun, Director of the CICIR Institute of Russian Studies
18 May 11	Yves Brodeur, Canadian Assistant Deputy Foreign Minister	<i>Security, arms control, peacekeeping and counter-terrorism</i>	Yuan Peng, Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies
10 May 11	Viraj Singh, Director of the Indian Foreign Ministry's Central European Division	<i>Sino-South Asian relations</i>	Hu Shisheng, Director of the CICIR Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
5 May 11	Shin Kak-Soo, ROK Ambassador to Japan and Park Joon Yong, Minister Counselor at the ROK Embassy in Beijing	<i>UN reform, Sino-US relations, Sino-Japanese relations, and the current situation on the Korean Peninsula</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
4 May 11	Jean-Claude Thebault, Director General of the EU Bureau of European Policy Advisers	<i>Sino-EU relations and the EU's foreign policy</i>	Feng Zhongping, director of the CICIR Institute of European Studies
25 Apr 11	Former US President Jimmy Carter, Martti Ahtisaari, former Finnish President, and Mary Robinson, former Irish President	<i>The current situation on the Korean Peninsula</i>	Yang Mingjie, CICIR Vice President, Hu Jiping, Director of the CICIR Institute of Japanese Studies, and Qi Baoliang, Director of the CICIR Division for Korean Peninsula Studies
25 Mar 11	Foo Teow Lee, Deputy Chief of Mission at the Singaporean Embassy in Beijing	<i>The current situation in North Africa and the Middle East</i>	Li Shaoxian, CICIR Vice President
25 Mar 11	Jon Huntsman, US Ambassador to China	<i>The current international situation</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, Wang Zaibang, CICIR Vice President
21 Apr 11	Adylbek Kadyraliev, Counselor at the Kyrgyz Embassy in Beijing	<i>Sino-Kyrgyzstan relations</i>	Xu Xiaotian, Deputy Director of the CICIR Division for Central Asian Studies
24 Mar 11	Evgeny Tomikhin, Minister Counselor at the Russian Embassy in Beijing	<i>The current situation in the Middle East</i>	Tang Zhichao, Deputy Director of the CICIR Institute of West Asian and African Studies
17 Mar 11	Robert Wang, Minister at the US Embassy in Beijing	<i>Sino-US relations and bilateral cooperation</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, and researchers from the CICIR Institute of American Studies and Department of International Exchanges
17 Mar 11	Carlos Miguel Pereira, Cuban Ambassador to China	<i>Issues of common concern</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, Wang Zaibang, CICIR Vice President

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16 Mar 11	Robert Fergusson, Political Counselor at the Australian Embassy in Beijing	<i>Sino-US relations</i>	Yuan Peng, Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies
15 Mar 11	Sultan Ahmad Bahee, Afghan Ambassador to China	<i>The current situation in Afghanistan and regional security</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, and researchers from the CICIR Institute of South, Southeast Asian and Oceanic Studies
11 Mar 11	Hoang Ngoc Vinh, Minister Counsellor at the Vietnamese Embassy in Beijing	<i>The current situation in the Middle East and North Africa</i>	Li Rong, director of the CICIR Institute of West Asian and African Studies
3 Mar 11	Arjen Van Den Berg, Chief of the Political Department at the Dutch Embassy in Beijing	<i>Sino-US relations</i>	Yuan Peng, director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies
28 Feb 11	Massod Khan, Pakistani Ambassador to China	<i>The current situation in Pakistan</i>	Yang Mingjie, CICIR Vice President, and Fang Jinying, Director of the CICIR Center for Ethnic and Religious Studies
24 Feb 11	Doru Costea, State Secretary of the Romanian Foreign Ministry, and Bogdan Fotin, Romanian Charge d'Affaires in China	<i>The current international situation, Russian-EU relations, and CIS issues</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President, Fu Mengzi and Feng Zhongping, Assistants to the CICIR President, and Du Yanjun, Director of the CICIR Department of International Exchanges
23 Feb 11	Iddo Moed, Deputy Chief of Mission of the Israeli Embassy in Beijing	<i>The current situation in the Middle East</i>	Li Shaoxian, CICIR Vice President
18 Feb 11	Li Hui, Chinese Ambassador to Russia, and Wen Yanbin, Director of the Political Studies Section at the Chinese Embassy in Moscow	<i>Sino-Russian relations</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, and Ji Zhiye, Vice President
17 Feb 11	Colonel Jerzy Niemo, Director General of the Polish Defense Ministry's Department of Foreign Affairs	<i>The situation on the Korean peninsula and the current situation in Southeast and Central Asia</i>	CICIR researchers from the Division for Korean Peninsula Studies, the Division for Central Asian Studies, and the Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanian Studies
17 Feb 11	Xin Shunkang, Chinese Ambassador to Zimbabwe	<i>Sino-African and Sino-Zimbabwean relations</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, Li Rong, Director of the CICIR Institute of West Asian and African Studies, and Li Xin, Deputy Director of the CICIR Department of International Exchanges
25 Jan 11	Friis Arne Petersen, Danish Ambassador to China	<i>Sino-US relations</i>	Yuan Peng, Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies
24 Jan 11	Mostafa Dolatyar, Iranian Acting Deputy Foreign Minister	<i>Issues of common concern</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, and Li Shaoxian, CICIR Vice President

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24 Jan 11	Choe Kyong and Tong Kyong- chol, Counselors at the DPRK Embassy in Beijing	<i>The situation on the Korean peninsula</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
17 Jan 11	Utkur Allayarov, First Secretary at the Uzbekistani Embassy in Beijing	<i>The situation in Central Asia and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
11 Jan 11	Kiyoshi Sugawa, researcher at the Japanese Cabinet Secretariat and senior policy researcher for the Democratic Party of Japan	<i>Issues of common concern to China and Japan</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President, and Hu Jiping, Director of the CICIR Institute of Japanese Studies
21 Dec 10	Takashi Kurai, Deputy Director General of the Japanese Foreign Ministry's Intelligence and Analysis Service	<i>The situation on the Korean peninsula</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
15 Dec 10	Rashad Hussain, US Special Envoy to the Organization of the Islamic Conference	<i>US President Obama's Cairo Speech and religious freedom in the Islamic world</i>	Hu Shisheng, Deputy Director of the CICIR Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
2 Dec 10	Yu Woo-ik, ROK Ambassador to China and Ha Sung-ju, Minister Counselor at the ROK Embassy in Beijing	<i>Sino-ROK relations and the situation on the Korean peninsula</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President, and Qi Baoliang, Director of the CICIR Division for Korean Peninsula Studies
16 Nov 10	Charles W. Freeman, former US Assistant Secretary of Defense	<i>Sino-US relations, Taiwan, and the situation in the Middle East</i>	Tao Jian, CICIR Vice President
22 Oct 10	Richard Campbell Smith, Australian Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, and Geoff Raby, Australian Ambassador to China	<i>Issues related to Afghanistan, Pakistan, and regional security</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
12 Oct 10	Adyrbekov, Counselor for Security Affairs at the Embassy of Tajikistan in China	<i>The Tajik parliamentary election</i>	Ding Xiaoxing, Director of the CICIR Division for Central Asian Studies
11 Oct 10	Uichiro Niwa, Japanese Ambassador to China	<i>Sino-Japanese issues</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President

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Appendix F: List of Meetings between CICIR and Foreign Think Tanks or Scholars

The following information on CICIR meetings is as according to the official CICIR website.

Date	PRC or Foreign Official	Topic of Meeting	CICIR Representative
12 May 11	Barry Desker, Dean of the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University of Singapore	<i>Strategic realignment and maritime security in East Asia, China-ASEAN relations, and the South China Sea</i>	Yang Mingjie, CICIR Vice President, and the Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies researchers
5 May 11	Murray Scot Tanner and Ken Gause, Senior Research Analysts at the US Center for Naval Analysis (CNA)	<i>Sino-US relations and the current situations in South Asia and on the Korean Peninsula</i>	Hu Shisheng, Director of the CICIR Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
26-30 Apr 11	Kim Ul Ho, Vice President of the DPRK Institute of International Studies	<i>The current situation on the Korean peninsula</i>	CICIR researchers
26 Apr 11	Professors Fu-Kuo Liu, Francis Yi-Hua Kan, and Tiehlin Yen, Taiwan's National Chengchi University	<i>Regional security and cross-Straits cooperation</i>	Yuan Peng, Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies, and Zhang Yuncheng, Director of the CICIR Center for Hong Kong and Macao Studies
20-28 Apr 11	Professor Vladimir Dobrenkov, Dean of the Department of Sociology, Moscow State University	<i>Russia's domestic affairs and foreign policy</i>	Researchers from the CICIR Institute of Russian Studies
18 Apr 11	President Kin-ichi Yoshihara and Senior Research Fellow Keiichi Hori of the Asia Forum, Japan	<i>The current political situation in Japan and Sino-Japanese relations</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
12 Apr 11	Lieutenant General Agha Farooq, President of the National Defence University of Pakistan	<i>Regional security and counter-terrorism</i>	Hu Shisheng, director of the CICIR Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
29 Mar 11	Gleb A. Ivashentsov, Deputy Director of the Russian APEC Studies Center	<i>Economic cooperation in the Asia-Pacific and the third BRICS Summit</i>	Ding Xiaoxing, Deputy Director of the CICIR Institute of Russian Studies
16 Mar 11	Abraham Denmark, fellow at the Center for a New American Security	<i>Sino-US relations and maritime security</i>	Yuan Peng, director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies

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8 Mar 11	John Hardman, President of the US Carter Center	<i>Sino-US cooperation and African issues</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, and researchers from the CICIR Institute of American Studies and Institute of West Asian and African Studies
14 Jan 11	Se-Il Park, Chairman of the Hansun Foundation, Seong-Phil Hong, Associate Professor of International Law and Human Rights at Yonsei Law School, and Dr Jaewoo Choo, Associate Professor of Chinese Foreign Policy at Kyung Hee University	<i>The current situation on the Korean Peninsula and ROK-DPRK exchanges</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President
9-13 Jan 11	Delegates from the Taiwan Task Force of the Fairbank Center at Harvard University including Dr Thomas Christensen, Professor of Politics and International Affairs at Princeton University and former US Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia, and Professor Iain Johnston from Harvard University	<i>Sino-US relationship, cross-Taiwan Strait relations and the current situation in Taiwan</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President, and Tao Jian, CICIR Vice President
28 Dec 10	Professor David Menashri, Senior Expert on Iran at Tel Aviv University, Professor Gabriel Sheffer from Hebrew University, and Moed Iddo, Minister at the Israeli Embassy in Beijing	<i>The Iranian nuclear issue and future developments in the Middle East</i>	Li Shaoxian, CICIR Vice President
16 Dec 10	Professor Joseph Camilleri, Director of the Center for Dialogue, La Trobe University of Australia	<i>Sino-Australian relations and bilateral cooperation</i>	Zhai Kun, then director of the CICIR Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian and Oceanic Studies
14 Dec 10	Dr Steven Lewis, fellow at the Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University in the United States	<i>Energy issue and Sino-US cooperation</i>	Yuan Peng, director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies
14-15 Dec 10	Dr Jabin Jacob, senior research fellow at the India-based Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies	<i>Regional security and China's South Asian policy</i>	Hu Shisheng, then deputy director of the CICIR Institute of South, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
14 Dec 10	Tursunay Omurzakova, Director of Center for Regional Science & Education Analysis at the National Academy, Osh, Kyrgyzstan	<i>Ethnic conflicts in southern Kyrgyzstan</i>	Ding Xiaoxing, Director of the CICIR Division for Central Asian Studies
13 Dec 10	Professor Thomas Barnett from the US Naval War College, and John Milligan-Whyte, Chairman of the America-China Partnership Foundation	<i>Sino-US relations</i>	Yuan Peng, Director of the CICIR Institute of American Studies

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12-17 Dec 10	Narendra Sisodia, Director General of the Indian Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA)	<i>Sino-Indian relations, regional security and China's foreign policy</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President
9 Dec 10	Phillip Saunders, Director of Studies at the US National Defense University, and David Gompert, former Acting Director of National Intelligence	<i>Sino-US strategic relations, space and cyber security</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President
8 Dec 10	Richard Rigby, Executive Director of the China Institute at the Australian National University	<i>Sino-Australian relations</i>	Tao Jian, CICIR Vice President, and Zhai Kun, then director of the CICIR Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
1 Dec 10	Professor Evgueny Gratchikov, Vice Dean of Sociology at Moscow State University	<i>China's geopolitics and Sino-Russian academic cooperation</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President, and Du Yanjun, Director of the CICIR Department of International Exchanges
10 Nov 10	Alexandre Sheldon-Duplaix, naval historian at the French Joint Defence Staff College	<i>The East China Sea, the South China Sea, and Sino-Indian border issues</i>	Zhai Kun, then director of the CICIR Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
7 Nov 10	Aman Saliev, Director of the Kyrgyz Institute of Strategic Analysis and Prognosis, and Doniyor Kurbonov, Deputy Director of the Institute for Strategic and Regional Studies under the Uzbek President	<i>Central Asia and regional security issues</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President
5 Nov 10	Oleg V. Kulakov, Professor at the Russian Defence University, and Alexander I. Potapenko, Information Officer at the Secretariat of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization	<i>Issues related to Afghanistan</i>	Ji Zhiye, CICIR Vice President, and researchers from the CICIR Center for Counter-Terrorism Studies, Institute of Russian Studies, and Department of International Exchanges
4 Nov 10	Simon SC Tay, Chairman of the Singapore Institute of International Affairs	<i>Sino-ASEAN and Sino-Singaporean relations</i>	Zhai Kun, then director of the CICIR Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
2 Nov 10	Ramses Amer, Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Asia-Pacific Studies of Stockholm University	<i>South China Sea issues</i>	Zhai Kun, then director of the CICIR Institute of South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Oceanic Studies
26 Oct 10	Willem van Kemenade, expert at the Netherlands Institute of International Relations	<i>The Iranian nuclear issue</i>	Researcher Tang Zhichao

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25 Oct 10	Muniruzzaman, president of the Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies	<i>Sino-Bangladesh relations and regional security issues</i>	Da Wei, Director of the CICIR President's Office
15 Oct 10	Professor Lee Yun-tso, Director of the Center for International Relations under Chile's Universidad del Desarrollo	<i>Sino-Chilean relations</i>	Cui Liru, CICIR President
15 Oct 10	Giovanni Andornino, Vice President of the Torino World Affairs Institute in Italy	<i>Sino-Italian relations</i>	Zhang Jian, Deputy Director of the CICIR Institute of European Studies, and Li Xin, Deputy Director of the CICIR Department of International Exchanges

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