

# The Chinese University of Hong Kong Department of Geography and Resource Management

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## China's Clean Energy Dilemma and the Continuing Search for Energy Resources

### **Abstract:**

China's recent rapid economic growth has proceeded in parallel with a rapidly growing demand for energy resources. Greater efficiency in the use of energy has occurred over the last three decades as seen in the decline in energy efficiency, but consumption of energy has outstripped production with the main shortfall occurring in petroleum usage. Coal remains China's main energy resource, and this is likely to continue for the short and medium term. The search for new energy resources is global in scope and has led to new efforts on both the economic and diplomatic front in Africa as well as other major regions. African examples are used in both Angola and Sudan to illustrate some of the goals and issues China has encountered as it expands its economic efforts to secure new sources of energy.

### **About the Speaker:**

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