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“Recent Developments in the Recognition and Enforcement  
of Foreign Judgments in China:  
The Impact of the Belt and Road Initiative”

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Conference Room 1, 1<sup>st</sup> floor

All employees and guests of the institute as well as  
other interested parties are cordially invited to the lecture.

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### About the Speaker:

Dr. Yuanyuan Liu is a Lecturer at the School of International Law at the Southwest University of Political Science and Law (SWUPL). Her main research areas are private international law and international civil procedural law. She was awarded her LLM and PhD at Wuhan University.

### About the Topic:

There are three schemes for the recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments in Chinese courts: international conventions, bilateral treaties and Chinese civil procedure law (CPL). Due to the absence of international conventions on recognition and enforcement in China and the lack of enough countries which have concluded bilateral treaties containing an agreement on recognition and enforcement, CPL is the basic way to recognize and enforce foreign judgments in civil and commercial matters.

With the intensifying operation of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), sound international dispute resolution mechanisms should be instituted in China. The Supreme People's Court of the PRC (SPC) has issued many rules that look to establish the Chinese International Commercial Court (CICC) as a body capable of resolving disputes in a timely and cost-efficient manner and thereby promote the aim of the BRI. The free movement of CICC judgments has come to be one of the key aspects attracting international litigants. Further, the 2005 Hague Convention on Choice of Court Agreement entered into force in 2015, and the Hague Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Civil or Commercial Matters was recently concluded on 2 July 2019. The unification of international civil procedure law creates a great opportunity and a "round way" for China.

The talk will examine defects in CPL as regards recognition and enforcement, challenges the CICC has faced and concerns surrounding ratification of the Hague Convention; possible solutions will be suggested.

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