



Europe in China's New Strategy

Abstract

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China under current leadership of ever-stronger, charismatic leadership of President Xi Jinping has abrogated former formula and strategy of low profile, dictated by the visionary of reform, Deng Xiaoping, and known as "Constitution of 28 Chinese characters", usually identified with famous motto: *taoguang yanghui* (conceal your capabilities and avoid the limelight). Instead, under the current Fifth Generation of Leadership of the Chinese Communist Party we have much more assertive and active political course and imaginative strategy of the Middle Kingdom, as the People's Republic of China is more and more frequently returning to the rich tradition and civilization of China, starting from ancient times.

The lecture to be presented is focused on the following issues:

- "Chinese Dream" and "Great Rejuvenation of the Chinese Nation" - i.e. internal strategy of Fifth Generation, including the concept of peaceful reunification with Taiwan
- One Belt, One Road Initiative (OBOR) - Chinese geostrategic project, coincidental with Heartland of John Mackinder and Rimland of Nicholas Spykman
- South China Sea - the crucial point of implementation of Maritime Silk Road
- Europe as final destination of OBOR (Łódź town in Poland as important hub on Land Silk Road, Pireus port as similar maritime hub on the Mediterranean)
- 16 +1 Framework of Co-operation with East - Central Europe (ECE) as supplementary strategy towards OBOR
- EU response towards the New Chinese Geopolitical Projects
- ECE approach towards OBOR and Chinese new initiatives
- China and the EU in the new global order