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China, Climate Change and Renewable Energy

Dr Zeng Shaojun *China Center for International Economic Exchange and Tsinghua University, Beijing*

Monday 17 May 5.00-6.30pm – Lecture Theatre 2, Old Government Buildings, Pipitea Campus, Stout St, Wellington

Dr Shaojun Zeng is a Senior Researcher of China Center for International Economic Exchange, the Secretary-general of China New Energy Chamber of Commerce; he is also the Executive Director of the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) R&D Center of Tsinghua University, Expert Reviewer for the National CDM Project Board at the National Coordination Committee for Climate Change, and the member of the Chinese Meteorological Society's

Committee on Meteorological Economics. He was appointed as the Chief Negotiator in the international climate change negotiation on behalf of China's private sector. He devotes himself to the research of public policy and national strategy, as well as climate change and the development of the new energy industry. Dr Zeng has published some 10 books and participated in 10 science research projects under the National Philosophy and Social Science Foundation.

China's Contribution to Solving the Global Climate Challenges

Yang Ailun *Climate Campaign Manager, Greenpeace China*

Tuesday 18 May 5.00-6.30pm – Lecture Theatre 2, Old Government Buildings, Pipitea Campus, Stout St, Wellington

Yang Ailun is the Climate Campaign Manager for Greenpeace China in Beijing. She has worked with Greenpeace China on climate change and energy issues for more than five years. She has coordinated various projects on public awareness raising and energy policy lobby. The energy research projects she has led include The True Cost of Coal in China, China Wind Report, China Solar PV Report, etc. She has been closely following the

international negotiations on climate change, and she is one of the most active Chinese NGO spokespersons on this issue for both Chinese and foreign media. She regularly contributes articles on international climate politics to major Chinese newspaper. She received her Master's of Finance from the University of Manchester and her Master's of Sociology from the University of London.

China and the Global Environment

Dr Katherine Morton *Australian National University, Canberra*

Wednesday 19 May 12.30-1.30pm – Lecture Theatre 1, Old Government Buildings, Pipitea Campus, Stout St, Wellington

Dr Katherine Morton is a Fellow in the Department of International Relations, College of Asia and Pacific, at the Australian National University. She is a specialist on China and Global Politics with over a decade of experience working on environmental problems at the local, national, and international levels. Her book on *International Aid and China's Environment: Taming the Yellow Dragon* was the first academic study on the effectiveness of international ideas and

practices in building capacity to address environmental problems in China. She has also published widely on environmental and climate security, Chinese environmental policies, and civil society, including a recent book on *China and the Global Environment*. For the past six years she has been conducting research on the Tibetan Plateau looking at the emergence of environmentalism and the local and regional impacts of climate change.