

Talk On Trump's Politics and Asia

This talk will provide a valuable analysis of President Trump's domestic and foreign agenda, and will shed light on the impact of policies both within the US and abroad especially Asia.

Donald Trump is a contrarian phenomenon. He opposes the global establishment including Democrats, most Republicans, much of the "deep state", and their transnational networks. Trump to date has frustrated the establishment's labeling and attacks because two thirds of his actions have been pragmatic, and only one third radically contrarian. The policies Trump fashions are not half measures, but stem from an understanding of his supporters and their desire for an elected government that is attuned to the common man's concerns. If Trump succeeds, these policies will reverse the course of 21st century history for the middle and working class Americans. An objective assessment of the comparative merit of the establishment's and Trump's policies would be beneficial.

The talk is based on two books on Trump by Professor Steven Rosefielde with World Scientific: *The Trump Phenomenon and the Future of US Foreign Policy*; *Trump's Populist America*.



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Professor Steven Rosefielde received an AM degree in Soviet Regional Studies (1967) and PhD in Economics from Harvard University (1972). He is Professor of Economics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and has served simultaneously as Adjunct Professor at various universities including the US Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey. He has taught widely across the globe in Russia, Japan, China, and Thailand, and has been a visiting research scholar at the Stockholm School of Economics, Bank of Finland, Trento University, Central Economics and Mathematics Institute (Moscow). During the Soviet era, he was an advisor to the Office of the American Secretary of Defense and FOI (Swedish Defense Institute), also serving as Coordinator of the US-USSR Joint Cooperative Research Program on Science and Technology.

Professor Rosefielde is a prolific author and his latest publications include *The Trump Phenomenon and the Future of US Foreign Policy* (World Scientific); *Democracy and Its Elected Enemies: American Political Capture and Economic Decline* (Cambridge University Press); *Masters of Illusion: American Leadership in the Media Age* (Cambridge University Press); *Global Economic Turmoil and Public Good* (World Scientific).

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