



China's Whitewashing of Repression in Xinjiang among the Taiwanese Public

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| Date: | Monday, December 22 2025 |
| Time: | 14:00 |
| Venue: | Czech Hub in Taiwan (No. 18, Ln. 26, Pucheng St., Da'an Dist., Taipei City) |
| Moderator: | Marcin Jerzewski, Head of Taiwan Office of the European Values Center for Security Policy |
| Discussant: | Raymond Chen-En Sung, Vice President, Prospect Foundation |
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※ Please note that this event will be conducted in English.

Abstract

Since around 2014, Beijing has escalated repressive measures in Xinjiang, including, among other practices, the mass arbitrary detention of Uyghurs and other minorities in re-education camps. As details of these abuses became known internationally, China recognised their potential to seriously damage its global image and invested substantial resources in whitewashing propaganda. The Taiwanese public is one of the targets of this influence campaign, which seeks to ensure that these human rights abuses do not hinder efforts to present China as an economically and technologically successful alternative system. What tools does China use for this purpose? How successful is it in conveying its narratives to the Taiwanese public? And does this have any impact on how Taiwan approaches this issue? Jan Švec will present preliminary research findings from his fellowship at the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy.



Speaker Biography

Jan Švec is a researcher at the Institute of International Relations Prague. He is currently a visiting fellow in Taipei with the Taiwan Foundation for Democracy. His research interests include theories of authoritarianism, Chinese politics, the impact of modern technology on governance, and human rights. He obtained his PhD at the Prague University of Economics and Business, where his research focused on the impact of information and communication technologies on authoritarianism.



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