

The CEFC would be delighted to see you  
on Thursday 4 February to attend the following seminar:

## "Building Constitutionalism in China"

book presentation and discussion on  
China's most recent legal and judicial developments.

by **Stéphanie Balme**, research fellow at Sciences Po Paris

**Date: Thursday 4 February @ 7pm**

Venue: Room Segalen, 25/F, Admiralty Centre, Tower 2,  
18 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong

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"Building constitutionalism in China", recently edited by Stéphanie Balme and Michael Dowdle (National University of Singapore) represents a systemic exploration of constitutionalism in China.

The book explores how notions such as constitutionalism appear to be impacting Chinese society in a wide variety of areas, including not simply juridical aspects such as legal practice, judicial decision making, and legal scholarship and education; but also in possibly more far reach aspects such as social resistance, mobilization and empowerment. Its chapters draw from a wide range of perspectives, and include historical analyses, jurisprudential analyses, ethnographic studies, and comparative studies by scholars writing from both Chinese and Anglo-European perspectives.

After the book presentation, the seminar will follow on China's most recent legal and judicial top-down reforms and bottom-up developments.

**Stéphanie Balme** is research fellow at Sciences Po Paris, visiting Professor at Tsinghua University School of Law, China Delegate for Civil Law Initiative and teacher at the China-EU School of Law in Beijing. From 2003 to 2006, she was an exchange scholar at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Her other recent publications include : a children's book "你对法律了解多少?" with Judge Wang Yaqin, "Local Courts in China: the quest for independence and dignity" in *Judicial independence : lessons for global rule of law promotion*, ed. by Randall Peerenboom

*ALL INTERESTED ARE WELCOME!*

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*This seminar will be held in English*

*Jean-François Huchet, Director of the CEFC, will chair the session.*

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*Snacks and drinks will be served after the seminar.*

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*Please reply to confirm that you will attend the seminar*

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