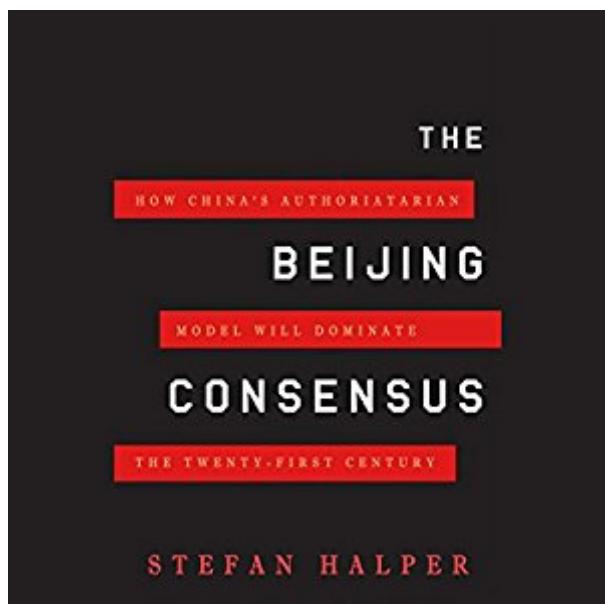


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The Beijing Consensus: How China's Authoritarian Model Will Dominate The 21st Century



Synopsis

Beijing presents a clear and gathering threat to Washington; but not for the reasons you think. China's challenge to the West stems from its transformative brand of capitalism and an entirely different conception of the international community. In *The Beijing Consensus*, a leading expert in international relations presents a coherent integration of the many sides of U.S.-China relations.

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Good book.

Very good book but obsolete in some areas.

I travel frequently throughout the Mid and Far East. For several years I've commented to friends that it's scary to see their wealth and rate of growth. And that I was concerned that I rarely saw evidence of US firms doing any of the massive infrastructure work. After reading I have a much better understanding of why over the last few years the US influence seems to be dramatically declining. Every day when I read the Financial Times I see articles that report on the advances of the China Consensus exactly as noted in the book.

RELATION OF CHINA DREAM, CHINA REVIVAL, DEMOCRATIC WORLD ORDER AND
MULTIPOLEAR PEACE AND HARMONY

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Definition: Harmony Renaissance: Revival of harmony philosophy ancient or modern for multipolar national cultural identity and world peace and harmony. For more details please refer to World Harmony Organization and Francis C W Fung publications. UPDATED 20 CHINA

China Dream: Revival of Chinese nation for national dignity and multipolar world peace and harmony. For more details on China dream please refer to summary of President Xi's statements.

1) China dream, harmony renaissance essential for China and global peace and China revival.

2) China dream and harmony renaissance together means Chinese soft power.

3) China must continue harmony renaissance for survival against U.S. criticism

4) China must be proactive on harmony renaissance not to be contained by U.S. liberal democracy

5) China dream, resolve south China sea dispute by harmony diplomacy

6) ancient Chinese thought, modern Chinese soft power through harmony renaissance

7) Harmony renaissance is the spirit of China dream, dream with in a dream

8) Harmony renaissance vs liberal democracy thought in 21st century.

9) Rally around harmony renaissance to rebuild a Chinese civilization state

10) Can China survive without harmony renaissance under U.S. democracy assault?

11) Survival of the fittest demands China dream to include harmony renaissance.

12) Without harmony renaissance China dream is empty

13) "China is unlikely to become a superpower because it lacked an independent ideology with global clout" according to Margaret Thatcher.

14) China will remain a "small country" without harmony renaissance despite economic growth.

15) China dream means 21st century multipolar world, peace and world harmony.

16) Harmony renaissance is the missing ancient Chinese ideology with global clout Margaret Thatcher is referring to.

17) Harmony renaissance is the revival of Chinese cultural value, ancient and modern.

18) The Chinese dream with harmony renaissance can enrich world civilization.

19) Harmony renaissance adds spiritual life and perspective to China dream.

20) Harmony Renaissance will be a preferred balance to U.S. relentless and powerful push of liberal democracy ideology on other countries in a multipolar world.

21) China dreams mean democratic world order and multipolar world peace and harmony.

22) Sun Yet Sen and Nationalist party empowered the elite, Mao Zedong empowered women and the masses, Deng Xiaoping's reform and open up empowered the economy and rule and order, the final movement in the symphony of Chinese modernization is to empower China's soul and spirit with China dream and harmony renaissance.

Best of Harmony Francis C W Fung, Ph.D. Director General World Harmony Organization

After the global financial crisis between 2008 and 2009, I have greatly interested in the theme: what will be the consequences of the crisis in world economic order? It is because the crisis damaged the belief of the superiority of the market-based model which US has long preached as only one path to prosperity since the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1990. Moreover, the crisis also raised fundamental questions that the US can lead the world economy in a sustainable manner by providing the rest of the world with markets for exports, source of very reliable financing through most sophisticated financial markets. If the US cannot be an absolute leading economy, then it is the obvious question: where to? China has been seen a good alternative to the US by many investors, businessmen, and policy makers around the world. This book along with other books such as 'End of Free Market', 'End of Influence', and 'Losing Control', gave a lot of information on China (and other big emerging countries), the next economic giant which will compete the US in the remaining years of 21st century. At a still poor country status, China may not be an ideal democratic country. It is also busy with keeping current regime stable so that it cannot but focus on the economic growth to keep down the pressure from the bottom. As long as it can sustain the hyper economic growth, the current model may work. However, it is not always sustainable in the long-run. In my view, China will try to establish the sustainable way of managing its power without introducing free and democratic system through i) building links with other BRICs, African countries, and other resource-rich countries, ii) globalization of its currency through bilateral channels using its huge foreign reserve and trade channels, iii) separate security networks with those countries which start from US un-friendly countries (socialist regime countries, arab countries) and move to those countries with weaker economic linkage with the US after the global financial crisis. The second group of countries are not clear yet but it will soon appear when China's influence is strengthened. The problem in setting new global economic order is that although the US is still playing the leading role in various global agenda such as climate change, financial reform it is not always producing tangible results. The last Copenhagen summit almost failed to show commitments from the participating countries, the bank levy as one of global banking rules is also hard to get consensus from G20 countries. Moreover, we have yet seen the alternative multilateral forum to fully include China as well as other BRICs. G20 might be one but it is only in infancy and it is hardly expected to produce consensus for sensitive matters among the member countries. In retrospect, when Greek fiscal crisis alerted the global economy, the G20 should have been more active. It should have not let EU handle the issue. As many prominent people lamented during the early period, the EU's action was too slow to deal with the crisis situation unlike the US dealt with the crisis. This mistake would delay significantly the recovery of world economy and questioned the capability of policy makers in Europe and US. In

conclusion, in a connected world by rapid globalization over the half decade, Chinese actions could limit the US's action and vice versa. It is interesting to see how US and China will compete and cooperate in the 21st century and its implications to other countries in the World.

good services, I like to do more business with the vendor, products work just fine and no problem at all.

Too much fuss about Bush policies and American errors and almost nothing about China impairments like an economic system largely based on cheap prices everybody knows is due to slave labor.

The author seems to set assignments for Obama to tackle China. The book is written entirely from the perspective of an American, so it can be somewhat biased (though apparently trying to be objective). Why should the rise of China be a challenge for the U.S.? Why isn't it an opportunity for it? This mindset is rather unconstructive. I think a Chinese reader will find it hard to swallow seeing the author laying down the dos and don'ts for the West to maneuver China. It seems he wants a new "Cold War" to be started.

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