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# **RUPTURING POLITICS, AUTHORITY AND ECONOMY**

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**Online Panel Discussion** 

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## AMY QIN

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Amy Qin is a China correspondent for The New York Times in Beijing covering the intersection of culture, politics and society. She has written about China's soft power efforts, the crackdown on Muslim minority groups in Xinjiang and the anti-government protests in Hong Kong.

Fluent in Mandarin, Ms. Qin is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and Oxford University.

#### MARKUS HERRMANN CHEN

Managing Director Switzerland, Sinolytics



Markus Herrmann, a Swiss-Chinese, is a Managing Director with Sinolytics, a European research-based consultancy focusing on China with offices in Berlin and Zurich. He advises European corporate and public sector clients on China's economic and industrial policies, government affairs strategies as well as on implications from China's foreign economic policy initiatives such as the Belt and Road Initiative. For this, he leverages his business understanding with his policy analysis expertise and six years working experience in China. Prior to Sinolytics, Markus worked as a Government Affairs Director with Bayer MaterialScience in China and as Management Consultant with The Boston Consulting

Group in its Shanghai, Hong Kong and Zurich offices. Markus holds a MLaw from the universities of Bern and Geneva with focus on international public law and WTO law as well as a CAS in Public Policy from ETHZ.

#### **OUTI KUIVASNIEMI**

Deputy Director for International Affairs, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health in Finland



Ms Outi Kuivasniemi is Deputy Director for International Affairs at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health in Finland. During her 20 year career at the Ministry, Ms Kuivasniemi's focus has been on global and EU health and social policies and she is a senior level expert in global governance and financing. Ms Kuivasniemi has accrued wide understanding of issues around global health and multilateral collaboration. Ms Kuivasniemi has served in a number of WHO, World Bank and EU Expert Working Groups, especially relating to global public goods, health security, financing, governance and non-communicable diseases.

Ms Kuivasniemi has been actively working on improving global health security. She has acted as Finland's focal point for the Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA), where Finland was the Chair of the Steering Group in 2015. She has also developed the concept for the JEE Alliance, now called Alliance for Health Security Cooperation, which is a global platform for facilitating multisectoral collaboration on health security capacity building in countries. Ms Kuivasniemi is a founding member of the Women in Global Health Finland Chapter. Ms Kuivasniemi holds a degree of Master in Political Sciences from the University of Åbo Akademi, Finland where she graduated in 1995 with international law as her major.

#### VINH-KIM NGUYEN

Co-Director, Global Health Centre; Professor, Anthropology and Sociology, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies



Vinh-Kim Nguyen is a medical anthropologist and physician. He continues to practice acute care medicine in Canada and with Médecins sans Frontières, most recently in emergency medicine in Yemen and in Ebola centres in the DRC. He practised HIV medicine in Montréal between 1992 and 2012, and was involved as a co-investigator in multiple clinical trials while teaching in the School of Public Health at the University of Montréal where he helped establish graduate programmes in Global Health. He now teaches Anthropology and Global Health in Geneva, and continues to conduct research on barriers to the elimination of infectious diseases. His early anthropological research, based on extensive work in the field working with community groups, examines the introduction of antiretrovirals in West Africa from the mid 1990s and

is detailed in his first book, The Republic of Therapy: Triage and Sovereignty in West Africa's Time of AIDS. With Margaret Lock he co-authored An Anthropology of Biomedicine, which provides a theoretical framework for analyzing health and illness in the era of globalized biomedicine and is now in its second edition. He is Vice President of MSF Switzerland and co-Director of the Global Health Centre at the Graduate Institute in Geneva.

Moderator

### **SUERIE MOON**

Co-Director, Global Health Centre, the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies



Suerie Moon, MPA, PhD, is Co-Director of the Global Health Centre and Visiting Lecturer at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva. She also teaches and advises doctoral students at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health as adjunct Lecturer on Global Health. Her research and teaching focus on global governance, the political economy of global health (focusing on innovation and access to medicines; outbreak preparedness and response; trade, investment and intellectual property rules; and development assistance for health), the evolution of international regimes, and innovative policies for addressing global problems. She is the author, with Wolfgang Hein, of *Informal Norms* 

*in Global Governance: Human Rights, Intellectual Property Rules, and Access to Medicines* (Routledge, 2013). She has conducted research on the policies and politics shaping innovation and access to medicines for twenty years, starting at Médecins Sans Frontières in 1999. She has served on a number of expert advisory bodies, including most recently the Board of Directors of the Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative, WHO Fair Pricing Forum Advisory Group, Expert Advisory Group to the UN Secretary General's High-Level Panel on Access to Medicines, Proposal Review Committee of UNITAID, and US National Academies of Medicine Forum on Antimicrobial Threats. Prior to joining the Graduate Institute, she was Study Director of the Harvard-LSHTM Independent Panel on the Global Response to Ebola, and co-founded and led the Forum on Global Governance for Health, a focal point at Harvard University for research, debate and strategic convening on issues at the intersection of global governance and health. She received a BA from Yale, an MPA from Princeton, and PhD from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.