The second lecture to be delivered

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on

THE NEW USES OF HISTORY: SILK ROADS, MONSOONS AND ASIAN REGIONAL POLITICS

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Abstract:

One Belt One Road has been described as ‘the most significant and far-reaching initiative that China has ever put forward’. Incorporating 4 billion people and 60 countries, it promises to transform the political, economic and cultural landscapes of Eurasia and Africa over the coming decades. One Belt One Road foregrounds ideas of connectivity, exchange and networks, using the narrative of the Silk Roads - overland and maritime - to establish a narrative of Eurasian ‘shared Silk Road heritage’. This talk focuses on this new imagining of Asia through the Silk Roads, and the implications such a heritage of regionalism, trade and exchange holds in building foundations for cross-border trade and regional security practices. Particular focus will be given to South Asia and the relationship between Belt and Road and Project Mausam.

Brief Bio:

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