



China as a global player: the Beijing Olympics and beyond

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Keynote speaker biographies

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Professor Goodman's research concerns social and political change in China. His many books and papers include contemporary and historical studies of China's provinces and centre-province relations, the Chinese revolution, China's campaign to open up its Western regions, and women in Chinese politics. He has recently completed a study of provincialism and democracy in China under reform and is currently investigating colonial Germany in China during the late nineteenth and early twentieth century. His books include: *Beijing Street Voices: Poetry and Politics of the Democracy Movement* (1981); *China's Regional Development* (1989); *China Deconstructs: Politics, Trade and Regionalism* (1994); *Deng Xiaoping and the Chinese Revolution* (1994); *China Rising: Nationalism and Interdependence* (1997); *China's Provinces in Reform: Class, Community and Political Culture* (1997); *Social and Political Change in Revolutionary China, 1937-1945* (2000); (with Feng Chongyi) *North China at War: The Social Ecology of Revolution, 1937-1945* (2000); *China's Communist Revolutions: Fifty Years of the People's Republic of China* (2002); *China's Campaign To 'Open Up the West': National, Provincial-level and Local Perspectives* (2004). His most recent book is: *The New Rich in China: Future Rulers, Present Lives* (2008).

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