The Terroristization of Xinjiang: Violence, Discourse and Politics in China's Uyghur Region

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This talk will investigate how Uyghur-related violent conflict and Uyghur ethnic minority identity, religion, and the Xinjiang region more broadly, became constituted as a 'terrorism' problem for the Chinese state. Exploring the evolution of political violence, official discourse, and contemporary Xinjiang politics from the 1980s, the presentation will trace the discursive and political processes by which tensions in the Uyghur region were transformed from a societal issue that required a moderate policy sensitive to the Uyghur ethnic identity into a national security crisis that enable a 'People's War on Terror' against the Turkic Muslim ethnic minorities.

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