Corruption and Anti-corruption in China: An Economic Perspective

At the end of 2012, the Chinese Communist Party launched a high-profile and far-reaching campaign against corruption. The number of high- and lower-ranking government officials that have been disciplined, charged, and convicted is historically unprecedented. But how are scholars to evaluate the status quo of corruption in China? What is the relationship between corruption and economic efficiency? How should we assess the effectiveness of China’s anti-corruption policy? To complement the views of political scientists and legal scholars, Professor Huihua Nie from Renmin University of China will offer his insights on these questions from an economics perspective. He will provide a conceptual framework and empirical evidence regarding corruption and anti-corruption public policy in China.

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