



Academic Conference:

"Patriotism: European and Chinese Perspectives"

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The **Goethe-Institut Hongkong**, the **French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (CEFC)**, **Department of Government and International Studies (HKBU)** and the **Hong Kong and Macau Association for European Studies (HKMAES)** are preparing a one-day academic conference on the subject of "Patriotism: European and Chinese Perspectives", in a historical and comparative perspective. The event will be held on Saturday, 6 November and hosted by the [Department of Government and International Studies \(GIS\)](#) at [Hong Kong Baptist University \(HKBU\)](#). The possibility of publishing the papers will be considered at a later stage.

German, French and Hong Kong scholars will be invited to compare their views and analyses of different historical experiences of political identification to "the motherland". Each lecture will be followed by a round of Q + A (10-15 minutes). There will be a closing round table where a number of prominent community figures will engage in open discussion with the floor about the changing identities in Hong Kong from an international perspective. The language of the conference will be English.

The [programme](#) will run from 9.00 to 4.30, in DLB 802, 8/F, David C Lam Building, Baptist University, Renfrew Road, Kowloon Tong.

Since seating is limited, advance registration is **required**, by means of the [reply slip](#) (to GIS Department, Ms Ada To, adato@hkbu.edu.hk). Please also indicate whether you will come to the lunch at the [Renfrew Seafood Restaurant](#) (\$80 per person).

Mr Andy Ho, prominent journalist and former contributing editor of *Spike*, and Dr Zhenhai Qiu, Peter, journalist on Phoenix TV, have agreed to take part in the round table.

For further information, please contact Dr William Butcher or the GIS department (3411 5669).