

SYMPOSIUM

# Strategic Adjustment and High-Quality Development

## Toward a New Framework for U.S.-China Relations

9:00AM-3:00pm  
April 17, 2026  
1919 M St. NW  
B1 Conference Room  
Washington, DC 20036



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# Program

**9:00AM**

## **Welcoming Remarks**

Nong **HONG**, Institute for China-America Studies

**9:05AM**

## **Opening Remarks**

Yafang **LI**, The Academy of Contemporary China and World Studies  
Christopher **HOBBS**, The Carter Center

**9:30AM-11:00AM**

## **Panel I: Managing U.S.-China Relations: Regional Stability and Strategic Adjustment**

Moderator: Eric **RICHARDSON**, INHR & PAX Sapiens

Panelists:

Dennis **WILDER**, Georgetown University  
Qi **CHEN**, Tsinghua University  
Doug **BANDOW**, CATO Institute  
Xiao **REN**, Beijing Foreign Studies University  
Nick **ZELLER**, The Carter Center

**11:00AM-11:15AM**

**Coffee Break**

**11:15AM-12:30PM**

## **Panel II: Assessing China's Economic Trajectory: The 15th Five-Year Plan, Structural Challenges, and Global Implications**

Moderator: Yawei **LIU**, The Carter Center

Panelists:

Geng **XIAO**, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen)  
Neil **THOMAS**, Asia Society Policy Institute  
Derek **SCISSORS**, American Enterprise Institute  
Sourabh **GUPTA**, Institute for China-America Studies

**12:30-1:30PM**

**Lunch**

## **Panel III: Rewiring Economic Engagement: Trade, Technology Controls, and Investment in U.S.-China Relations**

Moderator: Sourabh **GUPTA**, Institute for China-America

Panelists:

Susan **AARONSON**, George Washington University  
Hao **WANG**, Fudan University  
Felicia **PULLAM**, APCO  
Huifeng **CHANG**, Canadian Solar Inc.  
Fred **TENG**, America China Public Affairs Institute

**2:45 PM**

## **Closing Remarks**

Yawei **LIU**, The Carter Center  
Hongxia **WEI**, The Academy of Contemporary China and World Studies