



The American Military versus the Chinese Military: Comparing intentions and capabilities

The rapid evolution of the US and Chinese militaries has reshaped global security dynamics. Through cross-national scholarly lenses this conference will examine their respective strengths, strategies, and challenges, offering a unique opportunity to transcend geopolitical narratives and foster evidence-based dialogue. This CMS conference will compare American and Chinese militaries by discussing what the two militaries have in common, where they have a unique and specific structure and where they are imitating each other.

Esteemed international scholars - Professor You Ji, Xi'an Jiatong-Liverpool University, and Professor Andrew Scobell, The United States Institute for Peace - will assess respectively the US military and the Chinese military. Furthermore, the international scholar Jingdong Yuan, Director of SIPRI's China and Asia Security Program, will present and analyze different assessments of the two militaries' defense budgets.

Time: October 23, 2025, 09:00-16.30.

Place: 9A.1.01 Nanna Berg Auditoriet, ground floor, South Campus, entrance from Njalsgade 76, DK-2300 Copenhagen S.

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