“Cross-Strait Relations after Taiwan’s 2016 Elections”

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Taiwan held general elections to elect the 14th President and 113 members of the 9th Legislative Yuan (Taiwan’s Congress) on 16 On January 16, 2016 Tsai Ing-wen of Taiwan’s Democratic Progressive Party won the presidential election with 56.1% of vote share and her party also won a comfortable majority of the Legislative Yuan for the first time ever since 1949 in Taiwan’s history. The 2016 elections significantly changed Taiwan’s political landscape and would have profound impact on relations between Taiwan and China. In his lecture, Prof. Tung will address the following questions: What is President Ma’s legacy of cross-Strait relations? How will Tsai’s winning influence cross-Strait relations? How can cross-Strait relations be sustainable?