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# CHINA'S PAKISTAN OPTION: ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF AN 'ALL-WEATHER RELATIONSHIP'

Speaker:

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#### **Abstract**

China is Pakistan's major ally. Soon it will also become its major bilateral trading partner. China is by far more popular in Pakistan than the United States that has been its most important donor. There is no doubt of China's importance for Pakistan, but the question is whether Pakistan is equally important for China? The talk focuses on more recent developments like the Economic Corridor that China has promised to develop across the country from the Karakoram to Gwadar, a harbour on the Arabian Sea in western Balochistan and given to Pakistan as a gift.

#### **About the Speaker**

**Prof. Wolfgang-Peter Zingel** has been a member of the South Asia Institute, Heidelberg University, Germany. He is currently a Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Pakistan Studies, MMAJ Academy of International Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia. He studied economics, history and law and has been working on and in Pakistan since the 1970s. He spent two years at the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) and taught at the National Institute of Pakistan Studies (NIPS) of the Quaid-i-Azam University, both in Islamabad. Having studied and visited all of South Asia, he tries to put his Pakistan experience in perspective.