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Event Notice: **Tuesday, November 21 at 7:30pm**

Guy Saint-Jacques, Former Ambassador to China

Where is China Going After the 19th Party Congress of the CCP?

The Chinese Communist Party will agree at its 19th Party Congress scheduled for October on the new lineup of the Standing Committee of the Politburo. What does this mean for the leadership of President Xi Jinping and what can we expect in terms of political and economic developments in the next five years? What role China will want to play on the international scene? Guy Saint-Jacques, Ambassador of Canada to China from 2012 to 2016, will address these questions as well as talk of the status of relations between Canada and China, including the possible launch of formal negotiations of a bilateral free trade agreement. A question period will follow his presentation.



Guy Saint-Jacques joined the Department of External Affairs in 1977, holding office in New York, Mexico City, Kinshasa and Hong Kong, as well as twice in Washington, D.C., the last time as Minister and Deputy Head of Mission. He was also Deputy High Commissioner at the High Commission of Canada in London, UK. He was posted four times to Beijing, the last time as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the People's Republic of China in 2012-16. Mr. Saint-Jacques speaks fluent Mandarin. Among other appointments, he served as Chief Negotiator and Ambassador for Climate Change for the Government of Canada in 2010-12.

Since retiring from the Public Service, he works as an adviser through his company GS+J Groupe-conseil Inc. and is a Senior Fellow at the China Institute of the University of Alberta as well as at the Institut d'études internationales de Montréal. He holds a B.Sc. (Geology), University of Montreal, and an M.A. (Land Planning and Regional Development), Laval University.

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Christ Church Cathedral

414 Sparks Street, Ottawa

(between Bay St. and Bronson Ave)

Free parking on site off Sparks St., handicapped access

All welcome. No pre-registration required. Entry is free for CCFS members and \$10 for non-CCFS members. Tickets and membership are available at the door.

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