Vortrag im Oberseminar

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Smith in Beijing, Stalin in Urumchi: political economy of Xinjiang's crisis

Abstract

The extraordinary growth rates of China's 'reform socialist' economy (astutely analyzed recently by G. Arrighi) have helped to pay for major resource transfers to the country's underdeveloped regions under the Great Western Development Drive since 2000. Yet violence in Tibet in 2008 was followed in July 2009 by major rioting in Xinjiang. Drawing on fieldwork dating back to the 1980s, I shall explore the causes of the problems in contemporary political economy, but also their roots in the system of ethnic classification which Mao adapted from the Soviet Union, and in categorical principles originally formulated by Stalin.

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