### **Invitation to a presentation**

# Playoff Time in China: Leadership Prospects for the Eighteenth Party Congress

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Room 156, National Library and Archives Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa

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The past few months have seen dramatic moves that have shifted the landscape for the leadership transition scheduled for the Eighteenth National Congress of the Communist Party of China scheduled for next Fall. What are the norms surrounding leadership selection and change in China today? Who are the important players in the process? What have we learned from the Bo Xilai affair? What are the prospects for the Fifth Generation of Communist Party leadership and what are the contingencies for political reform in China?

Professor Jeremy Paltiel was visiting professor at the department of international relations at Tsinghua University in Beijing in 2009 and has taught at several North American universities. He received a diploma in Philosophy from Beijing University, his MA and PhD in political science from the University of California, Berkeley, where his PhD dissertation was a comparative study of political succession and economic reform in the Soviet Union and China. He writes about the elite politics of the Chinese Communist including, "How the Party Markets Itself to China"; "Jiang Talks Politics--Who Listens? Institutionalization and Its Limits in Market Leninism".

He has published widely on subjects relating to China and its foreign relations, including on the political economy of transition to market economies, and comparison of business culture in China and Canada. He recently authored two papers: "Canada in China's Grand Strategy" and "Structure and Process in China's Foreign Policy Making – implications for Canada." Most recently he published "Reimagining Canada's Present and Future in the Shadow of China's Rise"

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