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Informal China Round Table

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12h30 – 15h00

## What is the Role for the Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection and the Future of Environmental Regulations under the New Chinese Government?

In 2013 China's economy continues to be on the rise. Hand in hand with the new government's growth strategy goes an ever increasing demand for energy, raw materials and resources. But do in the People's Republic environmental regulators actually have the sufficient authority and institutional backing to launch a comprehensive economic development plan based on sustainability? What reforms in environmental regulations can be expected in the future and what policies will the Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection set in place to cope with the current situation of environmental degradation and resource scarcity? How will this affect Chinese international trade relations and investment policies?

We have invited **Duncan Freeman**, Senior Research Fellow at Brussels Institute of Contemporary China Studies of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel to give an input. A sandwich lunch will be provided (12h30 – 13h00). The event will take place in the European Parliament. Please register by sending an e-mail to [reinhard.buetikofer@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:reinhard.buetikofer@europarl.europa.eu). Should you require a badge, please provide your full name, date of birth, nationality and passport number.

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