

# Adam Smith in China's Visions of Global Order

In *The Wealth of Nations*, Adam Smith presented a liberal framework of international order based on free trade. In this presentation, I will use Adam Smith's liberal framework to measure and outline China's visions of global order, from the late Qing dynasty, to the more recent Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). The goal is to make the case that China is trapped in the mode of "revolutionary" rhetoric that turned out to be inherently conservative and reactionary.

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\*A light lunch will be served



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