

CIERP Research Seminar Speaker: Fang Zhang

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**How Governments Mobilize Domestic Finance
for Innovation: A Case Study of the Chinese
Clean Energy Sector**

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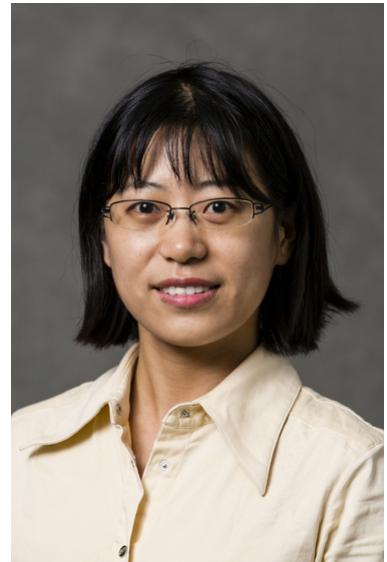
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Thursday, October 5, 2017

12:30 - 1:45 pm

Isobe Conference Room, Mugar Hall

Light lunch will be served



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Government often plays a crucial and active role in funding technology innovation. Almost every major technical change in recent years can be traced back to state funding. A lack of state financing is a well-recognized barrier to the development of clean energy technologies. This is partially due to insufficient research on both how governments can mobilize domestic finance for clean energy innovation and on which policies are most effective in leveraging investments. My research explores how governments mobilize domestic finance for clean energy innovation based on four country cases: the United States, Germany, China, and India. Specifically, it will try to shed light on the following questions: who are the key players in financing clean energy?; Why do they provide financial resources?; How do they share both the benefits and risks of clean energy investments?; and How do governments in these four countries shape this process?

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