Forecast 2021 – Day 2

Conference Schedule and Speakers

Thursday, February 4, 2021 – 8:30 am – 11:40 am Zoom

8:00 am Virtual Room Open

8:30 – 8:40 am Welcome Remarks

Craig Allen, President, US-China Business Council

8:40 – 9:30 am Mitigating Operating Challenges under Current US-China Relations

Speakers will discuss how companies mitigate operating challenges under the currently tense US-China relationship. Topics will span issues including American reliability concerns by Chinese customers and JV partners, issues with government procurement tenders, influencing standards setting and industrial policy, and how policy changes impact company outlooks.

- Matt Margulies, Vice President, China Operations, US-China Business Council
- Bill He, General Manager, Public Services, Greater China, SAS
- Thomas Shao, Director of Government Affairs and Public Policy, Abbott China
- Moderator: Jack Kamensky, Director, Business Advisory Services, US-China Business Council

9:30 am – 9:37 am Break

9:37 am – 10:27 am The View from Capitol Hill

As the 117th Congress gets underway, China-related considerations will be on the agenda for many committees in both Chambers. The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations is likely to play a particularly significant role in articulating US-China policy for the 21st century. Separate, sweeping strategic recommendations spearheaded by the committee's Democrat and Republican members reveal bipartisan concerns. Top Republican and Democratic staffers, Lara Crouch and Michael Schiffer, will discuss the committee's China priorities.

- Michael Schiffer, Senior Adviser/Counsel, Senate Foreign Relations Committee
- Lara Crouch, Professional Staff Member, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
- Moderator: Anna Ashton, Vice President, Government Relations, US-China Business Council

10:27 am – 10:35 am Break

10:35 am – 11:35 am Keynote Address - China's Perspective on Bilateral Relations Under the Biden Administration

- Minister Li Kexin, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of the People's Republic of China
- Moderator: Craig Allen, President, US-China Business Council

11:35 am – 11:40 am Closing Remarks

11:40 am Adjourn

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