



Briefing Notice

What Congress Needs to Know about COP29: U.S.-China Engagement and International Climate Diplomacy

Friday, October 25, 2024 • 12:00 - 1:00 PM EDT

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The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** invites you to a briefing about the role of United States-China climate engagement in shaping the progress and outcomes of international climate governance. From critical mineral supply chains to clean energy and transportation technology, dynamics between the two countries are complex and sometimes fraught. This briefing will explore how the countries' relations across broader climate and environmental issues have influenced and will continue to influence the annual U.N. climate change negotiations.

In 2023, the United States and China produced the **Sunnylands Statement** ahead of the U.N. climate change negotiations (COP28), following a tradition of publishing similar joint positions in prior years. The statement covered topics related to the energy transition, forest conservation, and non-CO2 greenhouse gas emissions, including methane. It also kicked off a working group focused on "climate action in the 2020s," which **started meeting** in the first half of 2024.

During the briefing, panelists will explain how these bilateral interactions play into the international negotiations on climate change, outline what to expect during COP29 and its lead up, and discuss the effectiveness of diplomatic efforts in curbing greenhouse gas emissions.

Introductory remarks by:

- ▶ **Rep. Kathy Castor**, U.S. Representative (D-Fla.)

Speakers for this session include:

- ▶ **Wanyuan Song**, Section Editor, China, Carbon Brief
- ▶ **Jennifer Turner**, Director, China Environment Forum, Wilson Center
- ▶ **Kate Logan**, Director, China Climate Hub & Climate Diplomacy, Asia Society Policy Institute; Fellow, Center for China Analysis

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