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Defending Madrid in Nanjing and Wuhan:

The Spanish Republic in China's War of
Resistance Against Japan, 1937-1939



Speaker: Professor Konrad Lawson,
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All are welcome!

Time: 14:00 – 15:30

Venue: Room 401, Leung Kau Kui Building

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Abstract

The full-scale invasion of China by Japan in 1937 competed for international attention with the Spanish civil war that raged on the other side of the world. However, these conflicts, one an invasion by a foreign power, and the other a civil war between two very different visions of Spain's future, are not as disconnected as they might appear. This talk will explore the deep mutual awareness that the participants in these separate conflicts had for the other: Chinese – in both Nationalist and Communist controlled areas, who looked to Spain for an inspiring model of resistance, as well as Spanish republicans who saw the Chinese effort as a fraternal counterpart to their own resistance to fascism.

No registration necessary.

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