



## FORECAST 2025 & USCBC President Welcome Reception

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Step toe & Johnson, 1330 Connecticut Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20036  
& Virtual via Zoom

### Preliminary Agenda

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm **Registration and Networking Luncheon**

~12:45 – 1:00 pm

#### **Welcome Remarks**

- **Sean Stein**, President, US-China Business Council

1:00 – 1:55 pm

#### **China's Economic Outlook in 2025**

- **Michael Hirson**, Senior Managing Director, Head of China Research, 22V Research
- **Meg Rithmire**, James E. Robison Professor, Harvard Business School
- Moderated by **Kyle Sullivan**, Vice President, Business Advisory Services, USCBC

1:55 – 2:50 pm

#### **China's Domestic Politics: Navigating Challenges & Opportunities for US-China Relations**

- **Neil Thomas**, Fellow on Chinese Politics, Center for China Analysis, Asia Society Policy Institute
- **Jessica Chen Weiss**, David M. Lampton Professor of China Studies, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies
- *Additional Speaker TBC*
- Moderated by **Sean Stein**, President, USCBC

2:50 – 3:00 pm

#### **Coffee Break**

3:00 - 3:55 pm

#### **Technology Competition and Trade Controls**

- **Julia Khersonsky**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategic Trade, Bureau of Industry and Security, US Department of Commerce
- *Additional Speaker/s TBC*
- Moderated by **Zach Tomatz**, Senior Manager, Business Advisory Services, USCBC

- 3:55 – 4:50 pm      **Trade and China Policy in the 119<sup>th</sup> Congress**  
• *Speaker/s TBC*
- 4:50 – 4:55 pm      **Closing Remarks**  
• **David Thomas**, Senior Vice President, USCBC
- ~4:55 pm              **Conference Adjourns**
- 4:55 – 5:25 pm      Transition to Welcome Reception for USCBC President;  
Conference attendees move to pre-reception to enjoy light  
refreshments and networking.
- ~5:25 pm              All guests transition to main conference room.
- 5:30 – 7:30 pm      **Welcome Reception for USCBC's President Begins**