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Abstract:

The multilateralization of the Chiang Mai Initiative in 2009 in the wake of the global financial crisis marked an important step in the development of financial regionalism in East Asia. Potential spill over effects in other areas of East Asian regionalism or a development towards an East Asian Monetary Fund have been topics of academic debate ever since. I argue, however, that not enough attention has been paid to moral hazard and collective action problems in this debate. How China and other East Asian countries deal with these challenges can tell us a great deal about the chances for further progress in East Asian regionalism and about the nature of the regional institutions. Coming from a historical institutionalist perspective I plan to further elaborate on this notion, focusing especially on regional surveillance and emergency lending mechanisms. Pending further research I argue that it is difficult for the East Asian region to manage moral hazard and collective action problems due to the nature of the ASEAN-Way and China's role in the region. In the absence of successful management of these challenges, the regional financial institutions are in danger of becoming mere talking shops.



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Program

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Program

Presentation of research project (max. 20 minutes)

Comments (max. 10 minutes)

Discussion

Present your research project

Presenting your PhD and/or research efforts to your peers and faculty members will give you valuable feedback and support your research with additional ideas. It introduces you to a network that can be very helpful with your career and future research projects.

Contact

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