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English

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Global China

What do we think about globalization? Do we approach this question from a post-colonial “Western” perspective? Can we narrow down globalization to the phenomena how “Western culture” appears in “Non-Western societies”? As we have been experienced in recent years, China has been a dominant society in the process of globalization. However, the question arises: do we know how globalization influences us and how globalization forms contemporary Chinese society?

In her lecture, Andrea Kis answers these questions from the perspective of cultural anthropological observations. The lecture does not try to explore the macro economic or political processes in China, instead attempts to show how globalization shapes the everyday life of Chinese society. Andreas’s lecture is based on her eight years of experiences while teaching English in Shanghai and through participant observation in various communities in Shanghai.

From the lecture’s examples we will get to know some exciting personal examples and life situations, such as teaching a millionaire family in Shanghai, working in a popular Shanghainese English language school or managing educational workshops for Chinese and expat teachers. Thanks to these examples, we will meet stories and narratives of Chinese teachers, students and parents about the personal perception of a “global China”.