

The CEFC would be delighted to see you
on Thursday 28 January to attend the following seminar:

Presentation by the author of:

"Reflection on Chinese Civilisation" (中国文明的反思)

by **Xiao Jiansheng**, author, journalist at the Hunan Daily
and
Bao Pu, publisher, head of New Century Press

Date: Thursday 28 January @ 7pm

Venue: Room Segalen, 25/F, Admiralty Centre, Tower 2,
18 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong

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It is commonly believed that the Spring and Autumn Period was an era of disorder, of civil war. If it was such a dark period, how could it give rise to so many philosophical schools? How could it produce so many famous thinkers, scientists, writers and strategists ?

It is widely believed that the unification of China by Qin Shihuang was a big step forward. If it was so, why has a unified China failed to produce thinkers like Laozi, Confucius and Mencius ?

In *Reflection on Chinese Civilisation* Xiao Jiansheng revisits the History of China and in a thoroughly researched essay, challenges the common wisdom about Chinese civilisation.

Xiao Jiansheng is the author of "Reflection on Chinese Civilisation"

The book was banned in China two years ago, and was published in Hong Kong at the end of last year. He is a journalist at the Hunan Daily.

Bao Pu, a political commentator and veteran human rights activist, is the head of New Century Press, He will explain how he published the book.

He has a Masters degree in international relations from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School.

ALL INTERESTED ARE WELCOME!

*This seminar will be held in Putonghua
Jean-Philippe Béja, Researcher at the CEFC, will chair the session.*

Snacks and drinks will be served after the seminar.

Please reply to confirm that you will attend the seminar
