

## Chinese Minister of State Dr. Huang Kun-huei to speak at UCSD April 4

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CHINESE MINISTER OF STATE TO SPEAK AT UCSD APRIL 4

Dr. Huang Kun-huei, Minister of State and chairman of the Mainland Affairs Council for the Republic of China (Taiwan), will give a public speech April 4 at 4:30 p.m. at the University of California, San Diego, on "Bridging the Taiwan Straits: Taipei's Relations with the Chinese Mainland."

Huang's talk, which is sponsored by UCSD's Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS), the UCSD Libraries, and the university's Chinese Studies Program, will be held in the IR/PS Robinson Auditorium.

For more than half a century, Taiwan and the Chinese Mainland have been separated by major differences in politics, economics and social development. Huang will discuss the history of this division, and propose ways to re-establish people-to-people exchanges and other bonds. He will also discuss what he see as Taiwan's role in promoting freedom and democracy across the Straits, in the hopes of one day re-unifying Taiwan and the Mainland as a one-country, one-system democracy.

Huang, chairman of the Mainland Affairs Council since 1991, was appointed Taiwan Minister of State in 1988. Huang has held numerous other positions within the Taiwanese government, including directorships in the Bureau of Education and the Department of Youth Affairs. In addition, Huang has served as a commissioner for the Taiwan Provincial Government Council, and was the director of the Department of Education at National Taiwan Normal University.

Because seating is limited for this free event, it is recommended that reservations be made by calling (619) 534-1465 by April 1.

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