

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Research Fellow

NATIONALITY: Chinese

LANGUAGES: Chinese and English

THEMATIC EXPERTISE: Low-carbon Development, Climate Change, Political Economy

GEOGRAPHICAL EXPERTISE: China and South East Asia

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## OVERVIEW

I am an active and creative researcher and analyst with combined industrial and academic experience in Chinese climate policy and governance, energy politics, renewable energy project development, and carbon finance and management. I have over ten years working experience in China's development finance sector before commencement of my PhD study in the UK. In the previous two years I had been employed as a full-time senior lecturer at China Three Gorges University (CTGU). I left CTGU in May 2015 to join the Institute of Development Studies at Sussex in September 2015 as a full-time research fellow. My current research develops interests in the political economy of China's low-carbon transformations with particular focus on China's rising business actors' influence in low-carbon policy process and its impact on local, national and global climate governance.

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## EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

<b>2009 - 2013</b>	<b>PhD Social Science</b> School of International Development, University of East Anglia, UK
<b>2005 - 2006</b>	<b>MA International Management</b> Queen Mary, University of London, UK
<b>1994 - 1998</b>	<b>BA English Language and Area Studies</b> Beijing Foreign Studies University, China

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## RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

<b>2015 – PRESENT</b>	<b>Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, UK</b> Research Fellow in the Green Transformations Cluster
<b>2013 – 2015</b>	<b>Senior Lecturer, China Three Gorges University, China</b> Senior Lecturer in Low Carbon Economy
<b>2001 – 2009</b>	<b>Senior Political and Project Risk Manager, China Export and Credit Insurance Corporation, China</b> Underwriting political risks for Chinese overseas energy and infrastructure projects
<b>1998 – 2001</b>	<b>Export Credit Insurance Risk Officer, People's Insurance Company of China</b> Underwriting export credit insurance contracts for Chinese exporters

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## SELECTED EXPERIENCE

- 2012 - 2015**                      **Co-investigator, China Three Gorges University**  
ESRC-funded project 'Clean Development and Low Carbon Transitions in Southern Africa'
- 2014 - 2015**                      **Co-investigator, China Three Gorges University**  
CTGU and State Grid co-funded research projects 'The Impact of Urbanization on the Operations of Local Grid Company'

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## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS

- Shen, W. (2016) 'Who Drives China's Renewable Energy Policies? Understanding the Role of Industrial Corporations', *Environmental Development*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.envdev.2016.10.006>
- Shen, W. and Power, M. (2016 accepted) 'Africa and the Export of China's Clean Energy Revolution', *Third World Quarterly*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/01436597.2016.1199262>
- Shen, W. (2016) *A New Era for China's Renewable Energy Development? External Shocks, Internal Struggles and Policy Changes*, IDS Evidence Report 196, Brighton: IDS
- Shen, W. (2016) *The Role of Business in Driving and Shaping Renewable Energy Policies in China*, IDS Evidence Report 166, Brighton: IDS
- Shen, W. (2015) 'Chinese Business at the Dawn of its Domestic Emissions Trading Scheme: Incentives and Barriers to Participation in Carbon Trading', *Climate Policy* 15.3: 339-54
- Shen, W. (2011) 'Understanding the Dominance of Unilateral CDMs in China: Its Origins and Implications for Governing Carbon Market', *Tyndall Centre for Climate Research Working Paper 149*, <http://tyndall.ac.uk/sites/default/files/twp149.pdf>