

Public Sector Reforms in China in the 2000s

Biography

Tom Christensen became magister artium at the Department of Political Science, University of Oslo in 1974. He took his Dr.Phil. degree at the University of Tromsø in 1983. He was affiliated with University of Tromsø in the period 1975-86 as research assistant, assistant professor and associate professor and later also as adjunct professor. He became associate professor at Department of Political Science, University of Oslo in 1986 and was full professor from 1993 until he retired in 2019 and became professor emeritus. He was adjunct professor at the Rokkan Center at University of Bergen for ten years ending in 2017. He is currently Visiting Professor at the School of Public Administration and Policy, Renmin University and Distinguished Visiting Professor at the School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University. Of the last 30 years, Christensen has spent 7-8 years at Scancor (Scandinavian Consortium of Organizational Research), Stanford University. Christensen is a member of the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters.



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Abstract

The presentation will start out with discussing perspectives on whether China has imitated from the West in its public reforms, including arguments for convergence/divergence and relevance for China of New Public Management (NPM) and post-NPM reforms. This is followed by mentioning a lot of examples of reform elements from these reform waves the last 20 years in China, with most emphasis on the post-NPM elements. The most important changes in the reform programs every fifth year will be mentioned, including super-ministry reform in 2008 and later the service-oriented-reform. The structural changes in the last reform package in 2023 will also be mentioned. Towards the end of the lecture the perspectives will be revisited and discussed compared to the empirical realities.



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