The EU referendum vote on 23 June 2016 on whether or not the UK should remain in the EU will decide one of the most important questions in a generation. The speaker will outline broadly the history and structure of the European Union with a view to contextualising the recent discussion surrounding the proposed referendum regarding Britain’s exit from the EU. Drawing on this background and the voting rules governing the referendum, she will present a detailed discussion of the pros and cons of Britain voting to leave the EU and its implications for the Chinese community in Britain.

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