

LEWI hosted a seminar by Dr. Sunny Xin Liu – Visiting Fellow from University of Central Lancashire



The David C. Lam Institute for East-West Studies (LEWI) hosted with the help of the Modern History Research Centre of HKBU, a seminar by Dr. Sunny Xin Liu from the University of Central Lancashire, who visited HKBU under the [LEWI Visiting Fellowship Programme](#). The seminar “Anglo-Chinese Encounter before the Opium War: A Tale of Two Empires over Two Centuries” was attended by more than 30 participants on 21st Sep 2023 (Thu) at 14:30 – 16:00, on the HKBU campus.



The seminar was based on the speaker's same titled book published by Routledge. Dr. Liu started with Queen Elizabeth I's letter to the Ming Emperor Wanli and ended with the letter from Lord Palmerston to the Minister of China just before the Opium War. The seminar narrated the fascinating encounters between the two historic empires and explored the long journey in between from cultural diplomacy to gunboat diplomacy. At the end of the seminar, Dr. Liu answered many attendees' questions and helped stimulate a fruitful dialogue.