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Education

Ph.D. in Asia-Pacific Studies, National Chengchi University, Taiwan, 2015 M.A. in East Asian Studies, Stanford University, California, 2009 B.A. in Diplomacy, National Chengchi University, Taiwan, 2003

Current Positions

National Sun Yat-sen University

Director, Institute of Political Science, 2024/8-present

Associate Dean, College of Social Sciences, 2023/8-2024/7

Director, Sun Yat-sen Research Center for Social Sciences, 2023/8–2024/6

Professor, Institute of Political Science, 2024/2-present

Associate Professor, Institute of Political Science, 2019/8–2024/2

Research Fellow, Sun Yat-sen Research Center for Social Sciences, 2020-present

Division Head, Project Division, Sun Yat-sen Research Center for Social Sciences, 2020–2023

Division Head, Student Life and Career Development, Office of Student Affairs, 2022–2023

Assistant Professor, Institute of Political Science, 2016/2–2019/7

Assistant Professor (joint appointment), Institute of China and Asia-Pacific Studies, 2016–2019

National Chengchi University

Research Associate, Center for Southeast Asian Studies, 2016–present Research Fellow, CSCAP Taiwan, Institute of International Relations, 2015–present

Soochow University

Research Associate, Center for Globalization and Peace Research, 2014-present

Other Institutes and Associations

Editorial Board, Taiwan Democracy Quarterly, 2025-present

Editor, International Journal of China Studies, 2024-present

Associate Editor, Frontiers in Political Science (Political Economy section), 2022-present

Research Associate, Cross-Strait Policy Association, 2015-present

Contributing Analyst, Asia-Pacific Desk, Wikistrat, 2013-present

Member of Editorial Board, The Global Studies Journal (國際關係研究月刊), 2011–2015

Editors-in-Chief Emeritus, Stanford Journal of East Asian Affairs, 2009-present

Research Interests

International Relations: IR theories, international political economy, international organization Political Economy: foreign direct investment, financial policy and regulation, energy policy Area Studies: Indo-Pacific security, Taiwan foreign relations, Chinese foreign policy Methodology: mixed method, game theory, quantitative analysis, comparative case study

Publications and Working Papers

(a) Books

1. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2021. *Configuring The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank: Power, Interests and Status* (England, UK: Routledge). ISBN: 9781138350359.

(b) Articles and Chapters

- 1. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. Forthcoming (2025). "The Taiwan Strait: The Flashpoint of War between China and US-Led Alliance." *Journal of Chinese Political Science*.
- 2. Liu, Roger Chifeng and Ian Tsung-yen Chen. Forthcoming (2025). "From Romantic Hero to Drug Lord Slayer: An Analysis of the Evolution of Populism in the Philippines (從浪漫英雄 到毒梟剋星:分析菲律賓民粹主義的演化)." *Taiwanese Journal of Political Science (政治科學論叢*).
- 3. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2025. "Book review: China's Health Silk Road: Vaccine Diplomacy and Health Governance, by Gerald Chan. Cheltenham: Elgar, 2024. By Gerald Chan. Cheltenham: Elgar." *The China Journal*, (94): 198-200.
- 4. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen, Yung-ming Yen, Michael Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao and Shigeto Sonoda. 2024. "Unpacking Asian Identity in Taiwan: An Empirical Study of Taiwanese University Students' Perceptions of Asia." *International Journal of China Studies*, 15(2): 11–39.
- 5. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2024. "Trading for Survival: Trade Policy as a Credible Signal, Alliance Strategy, and Public Preferences in Taiwan." *Review of International Political Economy*, 31(1): 253-276.
- 6. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen and Kayden Yi-hsun Wu. 2023. "Where You Stand Depends on Where You Sit: Inconsistencies in Taiwan Legislators' Positions on Importing US Meat." *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, doi:10.1017/S1468109923000282
- 7. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2023. "China and India's COVID-19 Vaccine Diplomacy and Health Security Partnerships in Southeast Asia." *Contemporary Southeast Asia*, 45(2): 193-215.
- 8. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2023. "China's Economic Initiatives and their Impact on Environmental Governance of Global Infrastructure Projects." *International Journal of China Studies*, 14(1): 1-27.
- 9. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2023. "Cross-Border Threats, Reputational Costs and the Evolution of an Authoritarian Club: The Case of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation." *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs*, 10(2): 223-248.
- 10. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2023. "The Czech Republic's Indo-Pacific Strategy and the Challenges and Opportunities for Taiwan in Europe." *Taiwan Strategists*, (17): 37-56.
- 11. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2022. "The Crisis of COVID-19 and the Political Economy of China's Vaccine Diplomacy." *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 18(3): orac014.
- 12. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2021. "Biden's Alliance Security Dilemma." *Asia-Pacific Perspectives*, (2): 10-14.
- 13. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2021. "Book review: Asymmetrical Neighbors: Borderland State Building Between China and Southeast Asia. By Enze Han. New York: Oxford University Press." *The China Journal*, (85): 209-210.
- 14. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2020. "China's Status Deficit and the Debut of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank." *The Pacific Review*, 33(5): 697-727.

- 15. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2020. "U.S.-China Trade War and Decoupling from China in the Biden Era." *Taiwan Strategists*, (8): 21-40.
- 16. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2019. "Book review: China as a Polar Great Power. By Anne-Marie Brady. New York: Cambridge University Press." *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, 19(2): 357-359.
- 17. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2019. "China's Economic Offensive and Its Discontent in Southeast Asia: Diminishing Footprints in Myanmar." In *China's Footprints in Southeast Asia*, edited by Maria Serena I. Diokno and Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao, (Singapore: National University of Singapore Press): 63-89.
- 18. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2018. "European participation in the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank: Making strategic choice and seeking economic opportunities." *Asia Europe Journal*, 16(4): 297-315.
- 19. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2018. "Debating Southeast Asia-China relations: Simulations and applications of multiple theories (爭辩中的東南亞與中國關係:理論多元論的模擬與應用)." *Thought and Words (思與言)*, 56(4): 195-237. (in Chinese).
- 20. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2018. "China's Economic Offensive and Its Discontent in Southeast Asia: Diminishing Footprints in Myanmar." In *China's Footprints in Southeast Asia*, edited by Maria Serena I. Diokno and Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao (Singapore: National University of Singapore Press): 63-89.
- 21. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2018. "Taiwanese Allies Are for Rent, Not for Sale: The Political Economy of Breaking a Diplomatic Relationship (只租不賣的臺灣友邦:斷交政治經濟學)." Wenti Yu Yanjiu (問題與研究), 57(3): 139-151. (in Chinese)
- 22. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen and Da-chi Liao. 2018. "The rise of the New Power Party in Taiwan's 2016 legislative election: reality and challenges." In *Taiwan's Political Re-Alignment and Diplomatic Challenges*, edited by Wei-Chin Lee (London, UK: Palgrave Macmillan): 71-96.
- 23. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2017. "The current state and challenges for Chinese engagement with Asia (中国によるアジア経済戦略の現状と挑戦)." *Issues & Studies (問題と研究)*, 46(4): 53-84. (in Japanese).
- 24. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2017. "Book review: *China Dreams: China's New Leadership and Future Impacts*. By Chih-Shian Lios and Arthur S. Ding eds. Hackensack, NJ: World Scientific." *Mainland China Studies* (中國大陸研究), 60(2): 109-111.
- 25. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2017. "Trump's actions speak louder than his words: Reversal of Trump's China policy after assuming the presidency." *Prospect Journal* (17): 25-58.
- 26. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2017. "Balance of payment and international conflicts (國際收支與國際衝突)." In Studies of Peace and Conflicts: New Theorectical Perspectives (和平與衝突研究:理論新視野), edited by Chih-mao Tang (湯智貿), (Taipei: Wunan): 61-82 (in Chinese).
- 27. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2016. "Is China a challenger? The predicament of China's reformist initiatives in the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank." *Mainland China Studies* (中國大陸研究), 59(3): 83-109.
- 28. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2015. "Divergence of economic development and regional integration performance: Challenges for ASEAN Economic Community (經濟發展差異與區域整合成效:東協經濟共同體的挑戰)." Taiwan Journal of Southeast Asian Studies (台灣東南亞學刊), 10(3): 45-72. (in Chinese).
- 29. Yang, Alan Hao, Ian Tsung-yen Chen and Hwei-luan Poong. 2015. "Reconfiguring social capital in the making of track II diplomacy: A case study of Taipei-Seoul Forum." *Issues and Studies*, 51(4): 143-172.

- 30. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2015. "Building a capital of green economy for Wunlin (打造雲林為綠色經濟之都)." In *Bluebook for Wunlin's Economic Development (雲林經濟發展藍皮書)*, edited by Chen-yuan Tung and Chia-Chun Chang, (Taipei: DrSmart Press): 23-43 (in Chinese).
- 31. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2015. "Political systems and financial reform process: A comparative study of China, Taiwan, and New Zealand." In *Asian Leadership in Policy and Governance*, edited by Evan Berman and Shamsul Haque, (UK: Emerald): 345-375.
 - Awarded Outstanding Author Contribution in the 2016 Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence
- 32. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2014. "Balance of payments and power: Assessing China's global and regional interdependence relationship." *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, 14(2): 271-302.
 - Selected by IRAP as 15 articles that have contributed to our understanding of the dynamics of international politics in Asia to celebrate the 15th anniversary
- 33. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen and Alan Hao Yang. 2013. "A harmonized Southeast Asia? Explanatory typologies of ASEAN countries' strategies to the rise of China." *The Pacific Review*, 26(3): 265-288.
- 34. Yang, Alan Hao and Ian Tsung-yen Chen. 2012. "The politics of foreign aid: A positive contribution to Asian economic growth?" *Jurnal Global dan Strategis (Journal of Global & Strategic)*, 6(2): 231-245.
- 35. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2009. "Soft power rules in East Asia." *Stanford Journal of East Asian Affairs*, (9, Winter): 13-17.

(c) Policy Papers

- 1. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2025. "Taiwan and India: Building the Future of High-Tech Investment." In *Taiwan-India* @30: Charting a New Arc of Cooperation, edited by Samir Saran and H.H. Michael Hsiao, (India: Observer Research Foundation): 27-31.
- 2. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2023. "The Belt and Road Initiative: From Booming Growth to Mounting Challenges (「一帶一路」從蓬勃發展到挑戰重重)." *Exchange (交流)*, (192, December): 27-30 (in Chinese).
- 3. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2022. "Taiwan-Australia Bilateral Trade Relations." In *Taiwan and Australia: Advancing the Partnership of Four Decades*, edited by Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao and Alan Hao Yang, (Taipei: Taipei Taiwan-Asia Exchange Foundation): 40-49.
- 4. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2022. "The Prospects of the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st-Century Trade." *Prospects & Perspectives*, (38, July 8).
- 5. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2021. "Power analysis of Chinese political economic influence after five years of the debut of the AIIB (亞投行滿五年後中國政經影響權力分析)." Strategic and Security Analyses (戰略安全研析), (166, February): 39-47 (in Chinese).
- 6. Chen, Tsung-yen Chen, Wei-Lin Jaylene Fu and Ya-Ting Lin. 2019. "U.S.-China-Taiwan Relationship under the Indo-Pacific Strategy (印太戰略下的美中台關係)." *Journal of Asian Political Economy and Peace Study (亞洲政經與和平研究)*, (debut issue, April): 15-21.
- 7. Chen, Tsung-yen Chen and Ya-Ting Lin. 2019. "Analyzing the transfer of power in Malaysia and Malaysia-China relations (馬來西亞政權轉移與馬中關係之評析)." Strategic and Security Analyses (戰略安全研析), (153, January): 28-36 (in Chinese).
- 8. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2017. "The current progress and future prospect of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (亞投行的進展與未來展望)." Strategic and Security Analyses (戰略安全研析), (145, May): 55-62 (in Chinese).

- 9. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2015. "Performance evaluation and response strategy for Taiwan's participating Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (台灣參與亞投行的效益評估與因應策略)." Strategic and Security Analyses (戰略安全研析), (123, July): 21-28 (in Chinese).
- 10. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2015. "Kokang conflict and its influence on Sino-Myanmar relations (緬甸果敢衝突對中緬關係的影響)." *Strategic and Security Analyses (戰略安全研析)*, (120, April): 28-35 (in Chinese).
- 11. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2014. "The development and challenges of ASEAN Economic Community (東協經濟共同體的發展與挑戰)" *Strategic and Security Analyses* (戰略安全研析), (116, December): 57-64 (in Chinese).
- 12. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2012. "Examining ASEAN's internal and external economic and trade relations through the ASEAN summit (從東協高峰會看東協內外經貿關係)" *Strategic and Security Analyses* (戰略安全研析), (92, December): 21-29 (in Chinese).
- 13. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "China–Japan–South Korea trilateral summit and its regional implication (中-日-韓領導人會議與東北亞整合發展)." *Strategic and Security Analyses* (戰略安全研析), (79, November): 28-36 (in Chinese).
- 14. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "From debt-collecting to bailing out in Europe (從討債到救債的歐洲)." *The Global Studies Journal (國際關係研究月刊)*, (5, November): 110-114 (in Chinese).
- 15. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "Coercion and performance: The Singaporean equilibrium (壓迫 與績效:新加坡的均衡)." *The Global Studies Journal (國際關係研究月刊)*, (4, September): 152-157 (in Chinese).
- 16. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "Terrorism in post-bin Ladan era (後賓拉登時代的恐怖主義)." *The Global Studies Journal (國際關係研究月刊)*, (3, July): 208-221 (in Chinese).
- 17. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "Crisis and opportunities: Politics, economics and international organizations (災難與契機:政治、經濟、國際組織)." The Global Studies Journal (國際關係研究月刊), (2, June): 161-164 (in Chinese).
- 18. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "Jasmine Revolution and its impact on global political economy (北非革命的全球政治經濟影響)." *The Global Studies Journal (國際關係研究月刊)*, (1, April): 129-131 (in Chinese).
- 19. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2011. "Japan's nuclear crisis and world reactions (日本核災與國際社會)." *Strategic and Security Analyses (戰略安全研析)*, (72, April): 63-71 (in Chinese).
- 20. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2010. "International politics of anti-rising China alliance (抵制中國崛起的國際政治)." Contemporary Monthly (當代雜誌), (244/245, October/November): 113-119 (in Chinese).
- 21. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2009. "International monetary power and US-China relations (國際金融權力與美中關係)." *Strategic and Security Analyses* (戰略安全研析), (56, December): 21-26 (in Chinese).
- 22. Chen, Ian Tsung-yen. 2006. "UN reform and the development of international community (聯合國的改革與國際社會的發展)." Forum of New Century Institute (新世紀智庫論壇), (33, March): 90-98 (in Chinese).

(d) Dissertations

1. Global implementation of Basel Accord: A theory of political pressures for global bank regulation. Ph.D. Dissertation, International Doctoral Program in Asia-Pacific Studies,

National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan, 2014.

- Won the *Awards for Writing Ph.D. Dissertation in Humanities and Social Science*, Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan, 2014-2015, (MOST 103-2420-H-004-024-DR).
- 2. Eradicating separatism: China's intentions in the Shanghai Cooperation Organization. M.A. Thesis, Center for East Asian Studies, Stanford University, California, 2009.

Conferences & Seminars

International Political Science Association Conference 2018

2018 NSYSU-UCSD Bilateral Research Symposium, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, March, 2018

Trump's Trip in Asia: America's Asia Policy (川普亞洲行-美國的亞洲政策), National Sun Yat-sen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, December 5, 2017

Multilevel Governance – Global, Regional and Local Perspective, National Chung Hsing University, Taichung, Taiwan, November 25, 2017

NSYSU Conference on the Xi Jinping Doctrine, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, May 22-23, 2017

2016 International Jean Monnet Conference Taipei, Taiwan, 2016

2016 NSYSU-UCSD Bilateral Research Symposium, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, April 2016

Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies in Asia, Kyoto University, 2015.

The 44th Taiwan-American Conference on Contemporary China, Institute of International Relations, Taipei, December 3, 2015

International Studies Association Conference 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014

Midwest Political Science Association Conference 2009, 2014, 2017, 2025

2014 Taiwanese-Russian Symposium on Humanities and Social Sciences, National Chengchi University, Taipei, November 14, 2014

Workshop on China's Footprints in Southeast Asia, Manila and Palawan, Philippines 2014

IISS-SAIS Merrill Center Young Strategists Programme, Bellagio, Italy, July 2013

Workshop on Theories and Methods of International Studies, Institute of International Relations, Taipei, July 16, 2011

Retrospect and Prospect on the Fiftieth Anniversary of African National Independence Conference, Taipei, November 11, 2010

Workshop of Northeast Asian States' Southeast Asian Policies, Taipei, May 8, 2010

Southern Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, January, 2009

Conference of ASPAC 2008: Crossing Boundaries in the Asia-Pacific, University of Victoria, June 13, 2008

Honors & Grants

Participant & Speaker, The Third Young Scholars Workshop, Eberhard Karls University Tübingen, Germany, June, 2015. (The participants are selected from a pool of highly qualified applicants).

Participant, 38th Southeast Asia Seminar on "Connectivity in Southeast Asia", Siem Reap, Cambodia, November 22 to 25, 2014. (Participants are highly selective by Japan's Kyoto University)

Awards for Writing Ph.D. Dissertation in Humanities and Social Science, Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan, 2014-2015.

International Conference Travel Grants, National Science Council (Ministry of Science and Technology, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015.

Participant & Speaker, IISS-SAIS Merrill Center Young Strategists Programme in Security & Geoeconomics, Bellagio, Italy, July 2013. (The participants are selected from a pool of highly qualified applicants)

IDAS Scholarship, International Doctoral Program in Asia-Pacific studies, National Chengchi University, January 2011, June 2011, December 2011, April 2012

Conference Travel Grants (MPSA), Stanford University, April 2009

Prestage-Cook Award, 80th Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, January 2009

Summer Internship Grant in East Asia, Center for East Asian Studies, Stanford University, July 2008 Ambassador, Ambassador Program, Formosa Foundation, June 2008. (The ambassadors were selected from a national pool of applicants)

Participant, Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations 2008, Harvard University, April 2008. (Participants were accepted from a highly selective pool of international applicants)

St. Johns Capital Group Scholarship, St. Johns Capital Group, San Jose, June 2007

4th place, Essay Contest (Reform at the UN), Taiwan New Century Foundation, Taipei, October, 2005

Delegate of Taiwan, Model of United Nations and Arab League, Cairo University, March 2003. (Received travel grants from Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Taiwan)

3rd place, University English Composition Contest, National Chengchi University, November 7, 2002

1st place, University Website Designing Contest, National Chengchi University, March, 2001

Excellent Performance, Debate Contest, The 8th Youth Diplomacy Seminar, July 2000

4th place, Inter-Departmental Debate Contest, National Chengchi University, December 1999

Skill

Language: Chinese (Native), English (Fluent)

Computer Software & Language: Office, Dreamweaver, Flash, Photoshop, HTML, PHP

Statistical Package: STATA, R, SPSS