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**Conference on Electoral
Politics in Taiwan:
Origins and Consequences
of the Electoral Reform**

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**University of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2009

3:00-5:00 p.m. Check in and registration at the Inn at USC

6:30-9:30 p.m. Welcoming Reception

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2009

9:00-9:10 a.m. Introduction and Welcome

9:10-9:30 a.m. Keynote Speech Director-General, Larry Tseng, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta

9:30-9:45 a.m. Break

9:45-11:45 a.m. Panel 1: Why Reform?

Chair: Gordon Smith, University of South Carolina

Papers:

Alex Chang (Academia Sinica, Taiwan) and Yu-tzung Chang (National Taiwan University, Taiwan), "Rational Choice and Irrational Result: the Democratic Progressive Party's Institutional Choice in the 2009 Electoral Reform"

Chia-Hung Tsai (National Chengchi University), Ding-Ming Wang (National Taiwan University), Chao-Chi Lin (National Chengchi University), and Wen-Jong Juang (Shih Hsin University), "A Dynamic Analysis of Electoral System Transition: Comparison between Japan and Taiwan"

John Hsieh (University of South Carolina), "The Origins and Consequences of Electoral Reform in Taiwan"

Discussant: Shelley Rigger (Davidson College)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2009

12:00-1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:30-3:00 p.m. Panel 2: Consequences of the Reform

Chair: W. Dean Kinzley, University of South Carolina

Papers:

Min-hua Huang (Texas A & M University), "Electoral Reform and the Change of Political Blocs: The Case of the 2008 Legislative Yuan Election"

Tse-min Lin (University of Texas at Austin), Feng-yu Lee (National Taiwan University), Chin-en Wu (Academia Sinica), "The Spatial Organization of Elections and the Cube Law: Taiwan's 2008 Legislative Elections"

Discussant: Charles Finocchiaro, University of South Carolina

3:00-3:15 p.m.

Break

3:15-4:45 p.m. Panel 3: Voting Behavior

Chair: Marc Moskowitz, University of South Carolina

Papers:

Nathan Batto (University of the Pacific), "How Electoral Reforms Fail: The Lingering Personal Vote in Taiwanese Elections"

Ran Wei (University of South Carolina), Ven-Hwei Lo (National Chengchi University), and Hung-Yi Lu (National Chung Cheng University), "Examining the Perceptual Gap and Behavioral Outcomes in the Perceived Effects of Polling News in the 2008 Taiwan Presidential Election"

Discussant: Lee Walker, University of South Carolina

6:30-9:00 p.m. Dinner party

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2009

8:30-10:00 a.m. Panel 4: Electoral Participation

Chair: Yung-Mao Chao, National Taiwan University

Papers:

Chris Achen (Princeton University), "Does Tingsten's Law Hold in Taiwan? A Comparison of Presidential and Legislative Yuan Turnout"

T.Y. Wang (Illinois State University) and Ching-Hsing Wang (University of Houston), "The Effects of Electoral Participation on Political Efficacy in South Korea and Taiwan"

Discussant: David Darmofal, University of South Carolina

10:00-10:15 a.m. Break

10:15-11:45 am Panel 5: National Identity and Cross-Strait Relations

Chair: Tan Ye, University of South Carolina

Papers:

Wan-Ying Yang (National Chengchi University, Taiwan) and Kuan-Cheng Lee (National Chengchi University, Taiwan), "The Interplay of Gender and Ethnicity in Defining National Identity in Taiwan"

Emerson Niou (Duke University), "Public Opinion and Cross-Strait Relations"

Discussant: Chin-shou Wang, National Cheng Kung University

12:00-1:30 p.m.

Lunch

