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Call for Papers – Special Issue China and Brazil at BRICS: “same bed, different dreams.”

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In the first quarter of the 21st century, China and Brazil have emerged on the international scene as relevant actors in international relations. With a population of 1.3 billion, a constant growth rate, in the long run, China recently have become the second largest world economy and is playing an important and influential role in the global economy -besides the fact that the country is increasing its most proactive participation in the major issues on the global agenda. Brazil, on the other hand, suffers from a continuous political and economic oscillation that influences the way the country is perceived in the international scene. After achieving monetary stability in the FHC government, Brazil reached an economic and social progress between 2003 and 2014. Currently, Brazil is experiencing a strong recession. The country's growth rate has decelerated steadily since the beginning of this decade. Nevertheless, Brazil maintains its goal of having more influence on the international stage, a more active voice in building a global agenda. Both countries have an interest in participating more actively in shaping the international order. The BRICS countries – Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa – have been working to advance their own economic agenda indeed. The purposes of the BRICS are contemplated in two essential pillars: (i) coordination in multilateral fora, with a focus on economic and political governance; and (ii) cooperation between members. In one hand, BRICS has great importance for China. The growth of the BRICS international relevance can multiply the strength of Chinese diplomacy and intensify its movement of extensive international insertion. On the other, BRICS has a special significance for Brazil: it comprises four of the country's partners, all of which have strong regional leadership and growing participation in the global economy. Thus, BRICS has the possibility of expanding its international presence, seeking a greater support and involvement in the construction of a less exclusive global governance.

The Chinese Idiomatic proverb “same bed, different dreams” suggests a dilemma in which China and Brazil have shared the same space but have different expectations which each side wishes as a result of institutional integration.

The purpose of this special issue is to obtain critical contributions regarding the participation of Brazil and China in BRICS as a political coalition to leverage their actions and create an agency within the international system, emphasizing the interaction between their components and highlighting the role played by China and Brazil in the present scenario. The goal is to receive contributions that focus on analysis derived from the field of International Political Economy.

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