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# The Sage and the People. The Confucian Revival in China

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**4:00 – 5:30pm**

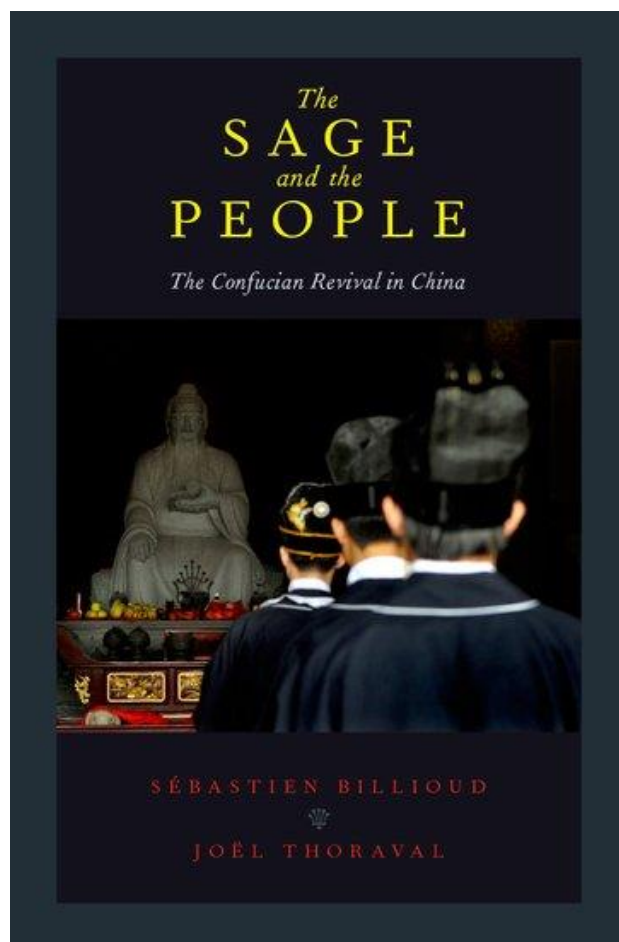
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### **ABOUT THE BOOK**

Based on extensive fieldwork, the book analyzes the complexity of the "Confucian revival" within the broader context of emerging challenges to such categories as religion, philosophy, and science that prevailed in modernization narratives throughout the last century. Exploring state cults both in Mainland China and Taiwan, authors Sébastien Billioud and Joël Thoraval compare the interplay between politics and religion on the two shores of the Taiwan strait and attempt to shed light on possible future developments of Confucianism in Chinese society.



**Free Admission**

**The seminar is conducted in English**

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