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Soviet Infrastructural Roots in Chinese Central Asia:

Resources, Imperialism and the Making of Xinjiang, 1907-1962

von

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Since the late Qing dynasty, officials in Chinese political capitals have drawn up extensive and detailed plans outlining the integration of their westernmost province of Xinjiang. Yet, these plans did not exist beyond the paper they were written on. Instead, in this talk I will reveal that the infrastructure, maps, and plans that served as the foundation of a larger Chinese state-making process in this border region were drawn up by Russian and Soviet planners who were focused on staking claims to Xinjiang's lucrative resource wealth. These efforts served as the framework upon which current Chinese infrastructure, political institutions, and immigrant communities rest and continue to shape the political and economic contours of this region.

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