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**A community dialog on:**

***China In Africa: Myths and Realities***



**Guest Speaker**

**Professor Deborah Bräutigam, Johns Hopkins University**

*Author of **The Dragon's Gift: The Real Story of China in Africa***

**Date: Friday, October 25, 2013**

**Place: Urbana Free Library Auditorium, 210 W. Green St.**

**Time: 1 p.m.**

China has surpassed the US as the main external trade partner in Africa. And the Chinese presence in terms of investment and aid continues to grow. What is the nature of China's role? Is it helping African countries to develop or merely a new colonizer? Is China's activity in African countries a threat to US security? These and other questions will be part of our conversation with Deborah Brautigam, one of the US' leading authorities on the relations between China and Africa. Professor Bräutigam will present a brief talk and then we will have a dialog on this vital topic