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TITLE: "The Challenges Never End: Managing Economic, Political and Environmental Concerns During a Period of Rapid Change"

SUMMARY: Mongolia's political and economic challenges are becoming both more complex and more formidable. While the emergence of environmental issues related to major new mining projects are one part of this shift and tend to receive most of the attention, they are not the only one; even in the absence of large scale mining, environmental issues would loom large for Mongolia. Drawing to some extent on international experience and "lessons learned" elsewhere, this presentation will reflect on some of the issues Mongolia is likely to face and have to work through during the period of enormous challenge, opportunity and change that almost certainly lies ahead.