Cheng Ran Always I Trust

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armada is pleased to announce the opening of its new space with the first solo exhibition in Italy by Cheng Ran.

Titled Always I Trust, the exhibition includes video works Always I Trust (2014), Simply Wild (2014) and the new print work XoXo Kiss (2014). A re-arranged version of the video work Always I Trust will be live performed by Li Jianhong, Li Qing, Wei Wei and Wang Ziheng, some of the most representative musicians from the Chinese undergroung noise scène.

The show runs parallel to *Inside China: L'Intérieur du Géant*, a group show curated by Jo-ey Tang at Palais de Tokyo in Paris, which includes works by Cheng Ran, Renaud Jerez, Li Gang, Edwin Lo, Nadar, Aude Pariset, Wu Hao, Yu Ji and Zhao Yao.

Cheng Ran (b. 1981, Inner Mongolia) lives and works in Hangzhou and Amsterdam. His recent solo exhibitions include *Telephone Booth Romance* at Leo Xu Projects, Shanghai; *Existence Without Air, Food, or Water* at Galerie Urs Meile, Lucerne; and *Cheng Ran* at Video Bureau, Guangzhou. The artist has recently participated in group shows at Galerie Perrotin, Hong Kong; Galerie Balice Hertling, Paris; and 8th Shenzhen Sculpture Biennale. Cheng Ran was shortlisted for Absolut Art Award in 2013, and won the Best Video Artist (2011) organized by the online Art Magazine Randian.

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