

Asia's Strategic Challenges: In Search of a Common Agenda

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***2-4 June 2008
Hotel Okura, Tokyo, Japan***

AGENDA

Monday 2 June 2008

18:00 – 18:45 **OPENING RECEPTION**

18:45 – 21:00 **WELCOME REMARKS AND OPENING DINNER**

Welcoming Remarks

Dr John Chipman

Director-General and Chief Executive, IISS

Ambassador Yukio Satoh

President, Japan Institute of International Affairs

Remarks

His Excellency Masahiko Komura

Foreign Minister of Japan

Tuesday 3 June 2008

09:00 – 10:30

First Session

ASIAN ENERGY INSECURITY

Chair: Oksana Antonenko, IISS Senior Fellow for Russia and Eurasia

Asian Energy Demand and Competition

Dr. Tsutomu Toichi

The Institute of Energy Economics, Japan

Securing Asian Energy Lines of Communication

Admiral (retd) Arun Prakash

Former Chief of the Indian Navy

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Second Session

ASIAN ENVIRONMENTAL NIGHTMARES

Chair: Dr. John Chipman

Climate Change and its Impact on Asia

Ambassador Mutsuyoshi Nishimura

Special Advisor to the Cabinet

Transnational Implications of China's Environmental Problems

Dr Katherine Morton

Fellow, Department of International Relations,
Australian National University

12:30- 14:30

Lunch

Chair: Ambassador Yukio Satoh

The Future of Asian Security

The Hon. Richard Armitage,

President of Armitage International L.C. and
former US Deputy Secretary of State

14:30-16:00

Third Session

NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION

Chair: Mark Fitzpatrick, IISS Senior Fellow for
Non-Proliferation

Nuclear Proliferation in Asia

Dr. Sung-Joo Han

Chairman, Asan Institute for Policy Studies, Seoul and
former Foreign Minister

Proliferation in the Middle East

Dr. Gary Samore

Vice President and Director of Studies, Council on
Foreign Relations, New York

16:30-18:00

Fourth Session
AN ASIAN ARMS RACE
Chair: Dr Patrick Cronin

***Asian Military Modernization:
Key Areas of Concern***

Rear Admiral (retd) Michael McDevitt
Vice President and Director, Center for Strategic Studies,
Center for Naval Analyses, Alexandria, Virginia

Ways to Avert an Arms Race in Asia

Lt. General (retd) V. Raghavan
Director, Delhi Policy Group

19:00-20:00

Reception

20:00-22:00

Dinner and Keynote Speech
Chair: Ambassador Yukio Satoh

His Excellency Shigeru Ishiba
Defence Minister of Japan

Wednesday 4 June 2008

09:00-10:30

Fifth Session
CONFLICT IN ASIA
Chair: Mark Fitzpatrick

Why War in Asia Remains Thinkable
Prof Hugh White

Professor of Strategic Studies at Australian National
University; and Visiting Fellow, the Lowy Institute

Why War in Asia Remains Unlikely
Barry Desker

Dean, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies

10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Sixth Session
**STRENGTHENING MAJOR POWER RELATIONS:
FORGING A COMMON SECURITY AGENDA**
Chair: Dr John Chipman

Constructive National Policies
Dr. Mitchell Reiss

Vice Provost for International Affairs, College of William
and Mary

Important Steps for Strengthening Regional and International Institutions

Prof. Akihiko Tanaka
Professor, Tokyo University

12:30-14:00

Farewell Luncheon