



## Social Science Research Institute

# Workshop “Japan’s New Security Partnerships”

5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015

International Christian University, Dialogue House

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**Main Organizers:** Wilhelm M. Vosse (ICU) and Paul Midford (NTNU)

### **Objective/Significance:**

The objective of the workshop is to offer a critical view at recent changes of Japanese foreign and security policy in general, and its alliance and security partnership initiatives, particularly with other Asian countries including the Republic of Korea, the ARF, but also Australia, India, the European Union, and NATO. While most conferences and workshops on Japanese foreign and security policy focus on US-Japan relations, this workshop will focus on non-US partners.

The workshop is organized in pairs of speakers representing Japan and its core new security partners. The main idea is to critically review the reasons to engage, benefits, and potentials risks of these security dyads as they stand today, and what there future trajectory might be.

The program lists draft titles for each speaker, which should be considered as a guiding question for your paper. The final title for our book can certainly reflect your main findings more closely, however, the given titles could perhaps be used as subtitles, so that the intention of the book is more clearly reflected in the book chapter titles.

The workshop is open to a limited number of graduate school students (mostly in peace and security studies), and a limited number of invited scholars from Japan. If you happened to know a graduate student who is in Japan in early November who might be interested to audit the workshop, the organizers would appreciate, if you could let us know. We are happy to invite them on an individually basis.

**Expected Results** The papers presented at the workshop will form the basis for an edited volume, which is planned to be published in 2016.

### **Workshop Sessions**

0. Introduction
1. Japan - Australia Security Partnership
2. Japan - India Security Partnership
3. Japan - EU Security Partnership
4. Japan- South-East Asia Security Partnership
5. Alliance, Alignment, Security Partnerships

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**DAY 1: November 5, 2015**

9:30 – 10:00      **Introduction**

Wilhelm Vosse (ICU)  
Paul Midford (NTNU)

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10:00 – 12:00      **Session 1:  
Japan - Australia Security Partnership**

**Australia-Japan Security Ties: The Australian Perspective**

**Thomas S. Wilkins**  
*University of Sydney*

**Japan-Australia Security Ties: The Japanese Perspective**

**Yusuke Ishihara**  
*National Institute for Defense Studies (NIDS), Tokyo*

**Discussant:** TBA

**Group Discussion**

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12:15 – 13:15      **Lunch Break**

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13:30 – 15:00      **Session 2:  
Japan - India Security Partnership**

**India – Japan Security Ties: The Indian Perspective**

**Madhuchanda Ghosh**  
*Presidency University, Kolkata*

**Japan-India Security Ties: The Japanese Perspective**

**Satoru Nagao**  
*Gakushuin University, Tokyo*

**Discussant:** TBA

**Group Discussion**

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15:00 – 15:30      **Coffee Break**

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**15:30 – 17:15    Session 3:  
Japan – South East Asia Security Partnership**

**Japan’s Promotion of Multilateral Security Cooperation in East Asia**

**Paul Midford**  
*Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)*

**Philippine-Japan Security Ties: The Philippine Perspective**

**Renato De Castro,**  
*De La Salle University, Manila*

**East Asia – Japan Security Ties: The East Asian Perspective**

**Stephen Nagy**  
*International Christian University*

**Discussant:**

**Jae-Jung Suh**  
*International Christian University*

**Group Discussion**

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**18:30 – 20:00    Joint Dinner**

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**DAY 2: November 6, 2015**

**9:30 – 11:00    Session 4:  
Japan – European Union Security Partnership**

**EU - Japan Security Ties: The European Perspective**

**Axel Berkofsky**  
*University of Pavia, Italy*

**EU – Japan Security Ties: The Case of the Counter-Piracy Mission**

**Wilhelm Vosse**  
*International Christian University (ICU)*

**Japan - EU Security Ties: The Japanese Perspective**

**Akiko Fukushima**  
*Aoyama Gakuin University, Tokyo*

**Discussant: TBA**

**Group Discussion**

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**11:15 – 12:30    Session 5: Security Alliance, Alignments and Partnerships**

**Comparing German and Japanese Alliance Partnerships**

**Natsuyo Ishibashi**

*Norwegian University of Science and Technology*

**How do Security Alignments differ from Security Alliances?**

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**Group Discussion**

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**12:30 – 13:15    Lunch Break**

**13:30 – 15:00    Roundtable Discussion:  
Japan’s New Security Relations**

This event will be open to the public. It will be advertised on relevant mailing lists and on the university campus.

All participants

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**15:30 – 17:00    Session 6  
Group Discussion:  
Future Perspective of Japan’s Security Ties for Japan and its  
Partner Countries**

**Discussion Leader: Wilhelm Vosse and Paul Midford**

- Discussion on the future outlook of Japan’s new security ties
- Discussion about the best theoretical framework/approaches
- Details on the book project
- Possibility of future joint research on bi- and trilateral security ties

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**18:00 – 20:00    Joint Dinner**

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