



6th MIMA South China Sea Conference (SCS) 2017
“Forging a Shared Future in the South China Sea”

4 - 5 October 2017

Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

4th October 2017 – Day 1

8.30 – 9.30 AM

Registration

9.30 – 9.45 AM

Welcoming Remarks

Vice Admiral Tan Sri Dato’ Seri Ahmad Ramli b Hj. Mohd Nor (R)
Chairman, Maritime Institute of Malaysia

9.45 – 10.00 AM

Keynote Address: YAB Prime Minister - TBC

10.00 – 10.30 AM

Coffee Break / Press Conference

Session 1

10.30 AM – 12.45 PM

Geo-Political Changes and Major Powers in the South China Sea

Geo-Political Changes around the world will effect on Major Power interactions in the South China Sea. How the South China Sea is factored by these Powers will be presented and discussed. As political interests shape the region, it will impact the region positively or negatively. In doing so, the audience will be appraised on the prevalent foreign policies in place. Understanding these policies, will enable government agencies, private industries and the general maritime community to be better prepared on the regional strategic landscape.

Moderator/Chair: Tan Sri Rastam Mohd Isa
Chairman and Chief Executive,
Institute of Strategic and International Studies
(ISIS) Malaysia

Paper 1

Dr Patrick Cronin
Centre for New American Studies

Paper 2

Mr. Liu Xiaobo
National Institute for South China Sea Studies, China

Paper 3

Vice Admiral (Ret.) Yoji Koda
Japan Maritime Self Defense Force (Retired)
Former Commander in Chief, Self Defense Fleet Adviser

Question and Answer Session

12.45 – 2.00PM

Lunch

Session 2

2.00 – 3.30 PM

ASEAN and the Regional Security Order: Shaping for Progress

ASEAN regionalism is continuously being tested with regards to power play in the South China Sea. Soft power and hard power are mingled to achieve major power interests. How is ASEAN, as political-economic bloc balance these interests whilst safeguarding its own to better manage risks and create a conducive environment for progress?

Moderator/Chair: **First Admiral Dato' Chin Yoon Chin (R)**
Director General, Maritime Institute of Malaysia

Paper 1

Dr Renato Cruz De Castro
De La Salle University, Philippines

Paper 2

Dr Hoang Thi Tuan Oanh
Diplomatic Academic of Vietnam (DAV)

Paper 3

Bill Hayton
Chatham House – The Royal Institute of International Affairs
London, United Kingdom

Question and Answer Session

3.30 – 3.45 PM

Tea Break

Session 3

3.45 – 5.00 PM

Managing the Maritime Real Estate: Towards Sustainable Development in the South China Sea

Among the 17 United Nations Sustainable Developments Goals (UNSDG) are to sustain life below water; sustainable and responsible consumption. As the member states have committed to achieve these goals by 2020 and 2030 respectively, it will be valuable to understand how collective wisdom has been affected in the South China Sea. Does this sea have a chance in the UNSDG and can collective endeavor deliver the committed goals.

Moderator/Chair: **Tan Sri Munir Majid**
Chairman, Bank Muamalat Malaysia Berhad

Paper 1

James Alix Michel
Former President of the Republic of Seychelles and
Founder of the James Michel Foundation

Paper 2

Dr I Made Andi Arsana
Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia

Paper 3

Niphon Thongyoo

Department of Marine and Coastal Resources, Thailand

Question and Answer Session

-END OF DAY ONE-

5th October 2017 – Day 2

Session 4

9.00 – 10.30 AM

Promoting Regional Prosperity

Regional progress can be achieved through concerted efforts by all parties. Can development mechanisms ease tensions and change the sea of adversity into the sea of prosperity. What are the opportunities available? How can they be mobilised?

Moderator/Chair: YBr. Emeritus Professor Dr Zakariah Abdul Rashid

Executive Director

Malaysian Institute of Economic Research (MIER)

Paper 1

Dr Hans Hoogeveen

Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)

Paper 2

Capt. Martin A. Sebastian RMN (R)

Maritime Institute of Malaysia

Paper 3

Dr Narasimalu Srikanth

Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore

Question and Answer Session

10.30 – 10.45 AM

Coffee Break

Session 5

10.45 AM – 12.15 PM

Panel Discussion – Charting a Progressive Agenda in the South China Sea

The Panel will reflect on the conference findings and engage with the audience on the opportunities towards a progressive region.

Moderator/Chair: Tan Sri Dato' Seri Mohamed Jawhar Hassan

Former Chairman and Chief Executive,
Institute of Strategic and International Studies
(ISIS) Malaysia

Panel Members

United States, China, Japan, Philippines, Indonesia

Question and Answer Session

12.15 PM

Closing Remarks

First Admiral Dato' Chin Yoon Chin (R)
Director General, Maritime Institute of Malaysia

12.30 PM

Lunch

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