

Berlin Conference on Asian Security 2009

A European Security Role in Asia. Expectations, Norms, Capacities

Venue: Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Ludwigkirchplatz 3-4, D-10719 Berlin (Wilmerdorf), nearest underground station: Hohenzollernplatz (U3).

Contact: Gudrun Wacker

Wednesday, 28 October 2009

Arrival of participants

Thursday, 29 October 2009

09:15 Opening Remarks

Volker Perthes, Director, SWP

Rüdiger Wolf, State Secretary, Federal Ministry of Defence
(tbc)

09:45 **Session I: The Asian perspective: Security challenges in Asia and expectations for EU's engagement**

What are the major security challenges in Northeast Asia and Southeast Asia? Is there a concept for security in Asia beyond realism? Can Europe make a meaningful contribution to security in Asia? What are the main obstacles?

chair: Volker Perthes

Rizal Sukma (CSIS, Jakarta), Managing Security Challenges in Southeast Asia - Is there a Role for the European Union?

Kang Choi (IFANS, Seoul), Security Challenges in A South Korean Perspective

Hans-Joachim Giessmann (Berghof Center, Berlin)

10:15 plenary debate

11:00 *coffee break, SWP lobby*

11:30 **Session II: European norms, concepts and capabilities for security cooperation**

What is the EU's concept of security? What are the goals of EU engagement outside Europe? Are the norms flexible enough to meet specific local needs? Are the capabilities adequate and if

not, what would be needed?

chair: Gudrun Wacker (SWP, Berlin)

Hanns Maull (Trier University), European norms, concepts and capabilities for security cooperation

Bastian Giegerich (IISS, London), The EU's concept of security: of use beyond Europe?

Francis Yi-hua Kann (National Chengchi University, Taipei)

12:15 plenary debate

13:15 *buffet lunch, SWP lobby*

14:45 **Session III: CBMs and Conflict prevention (incl. arms control, non-proliferation)**

What are the major issues in NE and SE Asia? What measures have been taken/not taken? What is the role of regional versus bilateral approaches? How can Europe contribute?

chair: Bernt Berger (SWP, Berlin)

Dong Wang (Peking University, Beijing), Confidence Building

Measures: European Experiences and Asian-Pacific Practices

Hiroyasu Akutsu (NIDS, Tokyo), CBMs and conflict prevention

including arms control and non-proliferation - Remarks on

Europe's Possible Contribution to Northeast and Southeast

Asian Security

Tim Huxley (IISS, Singapore)

15:15 plenary debate

16:15 *coffee break, SWP lobby*

16:45 **Session IV: Peacekeeping and Peace-building**

What are the major challenges for the success of peacekeeping and peace-building missions? What role can regional organisations play? Are there different roles and different approaches of external actors (US, EU, UN)?

chair: Hanns Maull (Trier University)

Sharon Wiharta (SIPRI, Stockholm), Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding

Dr. Kirsten Schulze (LSE, London)

17:15 plenary debate

18:30 *buffet dinner, SWP lobby*

Friday, 30 October 2009

9:30 **Session V: Disaster relief, humanitarian relief**

What are lessons learned from the major natural disasters in

the region (Tsunami, earthquake in Sichuan, cyclone in Burma) domestically and internationally? Who are the major actors (military versus civilian) for relief missions? What should be done to prepare for future events?

chair: Christian Wagner (SWP, Berlin)

Jabin Jacob (Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi), Disaster Relief: Politics, Security Implications and Foreign Policy

Syméon Antoulas (ICRC, Geneva)

10:15 plenary debate

11:00 *coffee break, SWP lobby*

11:30 Session VI: Security Sector Reform

What is the nexus between security, development and good governance in Asia? What are the roles of security forces in the region? What are the challenges for donor countries?

chair: Heiner Hänggi (DCAF, Geneva)

participants:

Felix Heiduk (SWP, Berlin)

Carolina Hernandez (Institute for Strategic and Development Studies, Quezon City, The Philippines)

12:00 plenary debate

13:00 *buffet lunch, SWP lobby*

14:00 Session VII: Democracy and Human Rights

Is there a nexus between democracy/human rights and security in Asia? Is there a specific "Asian path"/"Asian approach"?

What role do democracy promotion and human rights play in US and EU policies in Asia? Through what actors and instruments do US and EU promote democracy and human rights?

chair: Howard Loewen (SWP, Berlin)

Muthiah Alagappa (East West Center, Honolulu)

Denison Jayasooria (National University of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur), Reflections of ASEAN and Human Rights: Opportunities for EU Engagement

Umar Hadi (Foreign Ministry of Indonesia)

14:45 plenary debate

15:30 *coffee break*

16:00 Concluding session: Implications for Europe's engagement in Asia

(A checklist for Europe and member states)

chair: Gudrun Wacker (SWP, Berlin)

participants:

Rizal Sukma (CSIS, Jakarta)

Tomasz Kozłowski (EU Commission)

Jonathan Pollack (Naval War College, Newport)

Klaus Fritsche (Asienhaus, Essen)

Marianne Peron-Doise (French Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

16:45 plenary debate

17:45 Closing Remarks

18:00 End of Conference

Transfer to The Westin Grand Hotel and closing dinner