



21st Asian Security Conference

National Security and Defence Planning in an Era of Strategic Uncertainty

12-13 March 2020

Venue: Auditorium

Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies
and Analyses, New Delhi

Conference Schedule

Day 1: 12 March 2020

Registration: 8.30AM-9AM

9AM-9.30 AM

Welcome Remarks

By

Amb. Sujan R. Chinoy

Director General

Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses

Inaugural Address

By

Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri

& President, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses [TBC]

Vote of Thanks

9.40AM-10.15AM

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National Security Challenges and India's Defence Planning [TBC]

Special Address
By
Dr. Ajay Kumar
Defence Secretary, Ministry of Defence
Government of India, New Delhi

10.15AM-10.30AM: Tea/Coffee Break

Session I: 10.30AM – 12 Noon
National Security & Geopolitical Calculus
Chair: Dr. Arvind Gupta
Director, Vivekananda International Foundation, New Delhi

Ms. Melissa H. Conley Tyler Director, Diplomacy, The Asialink Centre, The University of Melbourne, Australia	Conflict Resolution and Negotiations in Australia's Regional Outlook
Dr. Andrew Scobell Bren Chair in Non-Western Strategic Thought, Krulak Center, Marine Corps University; and Senior Political Scientist, RAND Corporation (on leave)	Front and Center? China's Place in the U.S. National Security Calculus and Defense Planning
Dr. Sanjaya Baru Distinguished Fellow, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi	India's National Security: A Geo-economics Perspective
Prof. Feodor Voitlovsky Director, Primakov National Research Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO), Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow	Strategic Challenges for International and National Security: A Russian Perspective

12 Noon- 12.15PM: Tea/Coffee Break

Session II: 12.15PM – 1.30 PM
Strategy and Strategic Uncertainty in Asia
Chair: Amb. Kanwal Sibal
Former Foreign Secretary of India

Dr. Jeffrey Becker Director, Indo-Pacific Security Affairs Program, Centre for Naval Analysis (CNA), Arlington, Virginia, USA	Revision and Continuity in America's Approach to the Indo-Pacific
Mr. Richard Ghiasy Lecturer and Senior Fellow, Leiden University, The Netherlands; and Associate Researcher, China and Global Security Programme, SIPRI, Sweden	Potential Risks to Asia's Security
Dr. Manoj Joshi Distinguished Fellow, Observer Research Foundation (ORF), New Delhi	Strategic Uncertainty in India's Neighborhood
Dr. Richard Weitz Senior Fellow and Director, Center for Political-Military Analysis, Hudson Institute, Washington DC	Russia-China-US Security Complexity and Its Impact on Asia's Balance of Power

Lunch: 1.30 PM – 2.15 PM Venue: IDSA Main Lawn	

Session III: 2.15 PM – 3.45 PM
Artificial Intelligence and National Security
Chair: Dr. Vijay Kumar Saraswat,
Member, NITI Aayog, New Delhi

Mr. Richard A. Bitzinger Senior Visiting Fellow, Military Transformations Program, S. Rajaratnam School of IS, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore	The 4th Industrial Revolution, National Security and Modern Warfare
Prof. Stephen R. Nagy Distinguished Fellow, Asia-Pacific Foundation of Canada, Vancouver, BC, Canada	Artificial Intelligence and Technological Innovation in Canada's Asia Outlook
Dr. Malcolm Davis (Skype) Senior Analyst, Australian Strategic Policy Institute, Barton, Australia	Artificial Intelligence, National Security and Modern Warfare: An Australian perspective
Mr. Apurv Kumar Mishra Senior Research Fellow, India Foundation, and Faculty of Law, Ashoka University	Security and Statecraft in the Age of GAFA

3.45 PM – 4 PM: Tea/Coffee Break

Session IV: 4 PM – 5.30 PM
Neighborhood Conflicts and Foreign Policy Choices
Chair: Dr. T. C. A. Raghavan
Director General, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi

Ms. Megan Geckle Assistant Director, Centre for Preventive Action, Council on Foreign Relations, Washington DC	Territorial Conflicts, Foreign Policy Choices and Nation-States
Gen. Syed Ata Hasnain (Retd.) Former GOC 15 and 21 Corps, Indian Army	Why India's Middle Power Status Remains Challenged by its Neighborhood?
Dr. Ikboljon Qoraboyev Associate Professor of International Relations, Higher School of Economics, KAZGUU University, Astana, Kazakhstan	Rise of China and global security

	dynamics: Implications for Central Asia
Mr. Nitin A. Gokhale, Editor-in-Chief, BharatShakti.in	India's Changing Profile as a Military Power
Dr. Lai Thai Binh Deputy Director General, Institute for South China Sea Studies, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam, Hanoi, Vietnam	Maritime Planning in Vietnam's National Security Calculus

Special Session: 6PM – 7.00 PM

On

Role of Technology in National Security

Chair

Amb. Sujan R. Chinoy

Director General,

Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi

Speech By

Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar

Hon'ble Member of Parliament, India &

Member of the Standing Committee on Finance, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Finance and Central Advisory Committee for the National Cadet Corps.

Day 2: 13 March 2020

9 AM – 9.45 AM

**Welcome Remarks by Amb. Sujan R. Chinoy,
Director General, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses**

Special Address

By

Shri Amit Shah, Hon'ble Home Minister of India [TBC]

Special Panel: 10 AM – 10.30 AM

On

Role of HAL in India's Aero Space Industry

Chair

Amb. Sujan R. Chinoy

Director General

Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses

By

Shri R. Madhavan
Chairman and Managing Director
Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. (HAL), India (TBC)

Session V: 10.30 AM– 12 NOON

Changing Character of War & Warfare

Chair: Major General B. K. Sharma, AVSM, SM and BAR (Retd.)**
Director, The United Service Institution of India (USI), New Delhi

Capt. Yamamoto Katsuya

Director, Joint Advanced Course and Chief Instructor, Joint Staff College, Tokyo

People's War at Sea: Challenge to the Humanitarianism

Dr. S. Kalyanaraman

Research Fellow, Military Affairs Centre, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi

Passion, Reason and Chance: The Clausewitzian Trinity and the Future of War

Dr. Jean-Christophe Noel

Associate Research Fellow, Security Studies Centre, French Institute for International Relations, Paris

Digital Power and the Art of War

Dr. Alex Vines

Managing Director of Ethics, Risk & Resilience, and Director, Africa Problem, Chatham House, United Kingdom

Conflict and Human Security in Africa

Gen. Daya Ratnayake (Retd.)

Former Chief of Sri Lankan Army, Colombo, Sri Lanka

War, Warfare and Warfighting: The Sri Lankan Perspective

12.00 PM-12.15PM: Tea/Coffee Break

Session VI: 12.15 PM– 1.45 PM

Strategic Technologies, Deterrence and War-Fighting

Chair: Dr. G. Satheesh Reddy, Secretary, Department of Defence R&D
and Chairman, DRDO, Govt. of India

Dr. Erica Marat

Associate Professor and Chair, Regional and Analytical Studies Department, College of International Security Affairs, National Defence University, Washington DC

Surveillance Technologies: Chinese and Russian Chronicle in Central Asia

Gr. Capt. Ajey Lele

Senior Fellow, Centre for Strategic Technologies, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi

Disruptive Technologies and Strategic Challenges

Prof. Darko Trifunovic

Director, Institute for National and International Security, Serbia

Hybrid War, Technology and Intelligence Sharing in National Security

Dr. Manpreet Sethi

Distinguished Fellow, Centre for Air Power Studies (CAPS),

National Security and India's Evolving Nuclear Posture

New Delhi	
Col. Vivek Chadha(Retd.) Research Fellow, Military Affairs Centre, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi	The Changing Character of War: Relevance of Hybrid Warfare
Lunch: 1.45 PM – 2.30 PM Venue: IDSA Main Lawn	

Session VII: 2.30 PM – 4PM

Defence Planning, Procurement & Fiscal Management
Chair: Mrs. Gargi Kaul, Secretary, Defence Finance, Department of Defence, Ministry of Defence, Government of India, New Delhi [TBC]

Prof. Sven Biscop, Director, Europe in the World Programme, Royal Institute for International Relations, Brussels, Belgium	NATO, the EU and the Future of European Defence Planning
Dr. Yoichiro Sato Professor, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan.	Re-Packaging the Whole-of-Government Cooperation — National Security and Japan's Defence Planning
Lt. Gen. Anil Ahuja (Retd.) Adjunct Fellow, Delhi Policy Group, Delhi	Policy Planning, Force Development and India's Defence Fiscal Management
Ms. Kwek Ai Wei Special Functions Officer to Deputy Minister, Ministry of Defence, Malaysia	Defence Planning and Maritime Disputes in Southeast Asia
Mr. Amit Cowshish Consultant, Manohar Parrikar Institute of Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi	Financial management of Defence in India

4PM-4.15PM: Tea/Coffee Break

Session VIII: 4.15PM- 5.45 PM

Defence Innovation & Asia's Defence Industrial Bases
Chair: Vice-Admiral R. Hari Kumar, AVSM, VSM
Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to the Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee, Integrated Defence Staff, Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India [TBC]

Prof. Petr Topychkanov Senior Researcher, SIPRI, Stockholm, Sweden	Russia's Defence Industries and New Age Technologies
Dr. Laxman Kumar Behera	

Research Fellow, Defence Economics & Industrycentre, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi	Make in India and the Changing Profile of Indian Defence Industry
Dr. Hanbyeol Sohn (Skype) Department of Military Strategy, Korean National Defence University, Seoul	Defence Innovation and South Korea's Evolving Military Outlook in Asia
Ms. Nabanita Radhakrishnan Director General, System Analysis & Modelling, DRDO, New Delhi	Role of Indigenous Technology in Defence Planning
Vice-Admiral Anil Chopra (Retd.) Distinguished Fellow, Vivekananda International Foundation (VIF), New Delhi, and Distinguished Fellow, Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS), New Delhi	Force Structure and Financial Planning in Naval Modernisation

5.45PM – 5.50 PM

Vote of Thanks

By

Dr. Jagannath Panda

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Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi