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# Interactions and Coordination at Sea

This session focuses on the interactions and coordination between various forces operating in the South China Sea, including naval, air and law enforcement forces of claimant and user states of the sea. Speakers are asked to address operational and legal issues and rules of engagement (ROE), as well as questions on how to avoid and manage incidents and how to promote information sharing and cooperation in dealing with maritime threats in the South China Sea. They are also expected to explore ideas and suggestions on practical measures for regional stakeholders to utilize in order to avoid and manage incidents that might occur between their ships and aircrafts at sea.

The sixth session of the the 8th International Conference on the South China Sea, titled: "Interactions and Coordination at Sea", is moderated by **RADM Michael McDevitt (USN, Ret.)**, Senior Fellow, Strategic Studies Program, Center for Naval Analyses, USA

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