# The 9th South China Sea Conference: Cooperation for Regional Security and Development

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The 9th International Conference on the South China Sea hosted by the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam (DAV), the Foundation for East Sea Studies (FESS) and the Vietnam Lawyers' Association (VLA) took place at Ho Chi Minh City on 27-28 November, 2017.

On 27-28 November 2017, in Ho Chi Minh City, the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam (DAV), the Foundation for East Sea Studies (FESS) and the Vietnam Lawyers' Association (VLA) co-organized The 9th International Conference on the South China Sea themed "Cooperation for Regional Security and Development". This year's conference attracted nearly 200 participants, including over 90 international experts, 70 Vietnamese scholars and officials, 20 representatives from 17 foreign missions in Vietnam and 60 correspondents from 35 domestic and foreign news agencies. The conference is regarded as a prestigious annual forum on South China Sea issue, bringing together many of the world's leading experts in the field.

Below is the detailed programme of the Conference with videos for each session and links to panelists' presenation:

Marking the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the inauguration of the Initiative, this year's conference moved beyond an annual review to take stock of transformations in the South China Sea across many sectors over the last decade.



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Photos of Conference (Click here)

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Academy of Vietnam

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- Keynote Address k

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# SESSION 1: Current State of Affairs in The So

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Vu Tung, President of t

Vietnam

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China Sea and explores dif

the region in a search for ca

and identify alterations



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approaches. Speakers are re explore the major policy sh have shaped the current st China Sea.

- Prof. Brahma Chel Strategic Studies, Ce India
   "South China Sea"
   Pacific region"
- Prof. You Ji, Head of Government and Pub University of Macau,
   "South China Sea"
   Pacific region"
- Dr. Euan Graham,
  Security Program, th
  "The South China"
- **Dr. Aries A. Aruga** Department of Politic the Philippines in Dil





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Prof. Pham Quang
 University of Social S
 Vietnam National University

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South China Sea ir

Trump" (Click for Pr

# SESSION 2: Powers' Interactions and Rule-based Ord

#### <u>Sea</u>

## Moderator: Prof. Brahma Chellaney, Professor of Strat

## Policy Research, India



As tensions are simmering, become a theatre for rivalr powers, which prefer differe There has been no consensu Sea issue should be mar handled. This session explo for the South China Sea ord them. It is an urgent tasl



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strategic waterway to U interests and preferences states rules and norms for Sea in support of peace and Speakers:

- Ms. Colin Willett, F Secretary, State Dep "US' perspective of **Order: Strategy U** Administration"
- Prof. Shi Yinhong, American Studies, Ro

Presented by Mr. Wang Q Social Science, University of

"An Effect of Trump and **Retrenchment of China's** 

- Mr. Hideshi Tokuc Graduate Institute for "A Japanese Persp China Sea Order"
- Ms. Theresa Fallor

for Security Coopera

(CSCAP-EU)

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and Implications f

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## SESSION 3: The Military and Paramilitary Balance in

Moderator: H.E. Le Cong Phung, Vice Chairman, The I

Studies (FESS)

Over the last decade, the S more packed with a larg aircraft. The greater conc increase the likelihood of This session takes stock of other activities involving the forces in the South China are required to address t paramilitary forces, asses maritime navigation, secu entire South China Sea. T to work out proposed mea "grey zones" and prompting









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- Dr. Fu-Kuo Liu, Ser International Relatio University
   "Naval build-up ar South China Sea"
- Prof. Carlyle A. Th South Wales at the A Academy, Australia
   *"Law Enforcement* Sea: The Role of R Guards" (Click for P
- Mr. Lyle J. Morris, RAND Corporation, L
   "Grey zones between the second sec
- Dr. Do Thanh Hai, Information and Ana for Maritime Studies, Viet Nam
   "An Assessment o Risks in the South





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# SESSION 4: Activities at Sea: Sources of Conflict or Andrews Sources of Conflict or Andrews Sources at Sources

Defense Force Academy, Australia



This session reviews a rang by parties in the South or requested to address exploration and exploitation fishing activities, maritime reaction anti-terrorism training and the stakeholders, perspection discussion is aimed to a conflicts and escalations, a map out the areas for poten cooperation.

Speakers:

 Prof. Renping Zha International Maritim Dalian Maritime Univ "Maritime Coopera Security in the Sou Presentation)



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 Ms. Shafiah F. Mul Centre for Strategic Indonesia; Maritime Rajaratnam School o Singapore
 *"Law Enforcement Incidents in the In* for Presentation)
 Captain Martin A. Senior Fellow/Centre

Senior Fellow/Centre Maritime Security an Institute of Malaysia *"Fighting Piracy a* to Reform Approad Security"

#### SESSION 5: Legal Dimensions in The Sout

Moderator: Prof. Robert Beckman, Head of Ocean Law

Centre for International Law (CIL), the National Universi

The session examines lega China Sea and newly arise critical to the international Sea. Speakers are addres



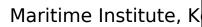
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critical aspects of legal dim Sea issues, which including, environment protection, pr sea, the use of force or thre revisiting the South China So

- Prof. Geneviève Ba of International Law, (Univ. of Paris I); Men International Law, Fr "The Use of Force Force in Internation in the South China Presentation)
- Assoc. Prof. Nguye
  Director and Senior I
  for Maritime Studies,
  Vietnam (DAV)
  - *"International Law* Incidents at Sea"
- Dr. Kim Wonhee, S



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## • Prof. Jay Batongba

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of the Philippines, Ph "Philippines v. Chi

and Opportunities

# SESSION 6: Sustainable Development and Coop

Moderator: Prof. Geneviève Bastid Burdeau, Profess

Sorbonne Law School (Univ. of Paris I); Member of the Insti-

#### France

This session focuses on the South China Sea problem. drag on, the state of c economic cooperation, ar management and resolution the key concerr among sustainable development k regional levels is of grea Therefore, panelists are p economic initiatives and









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- Ms. Joanna Mosso
  of Law, Victoria Univ
  Zealand
  "The Future of Sus
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- Prof. David M. Ong International & Envir Nottingham Law Sch University, UK
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# SESSION 7: Code of Conduct (COC): Substand

#### Moderator: Prof. Leszek Buszynski, Visiting Fellow, Stra



Centre, Australia

This special session is dedic progress and obstacles to t Conduct in the South China finalized the framework for of substantive discussions regulations as well as me investigation, enforc and important.

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