

UNSW-APDS INFRASTRUCTURE WORKSHOP

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Northcott Drive, Campbell ACT 2612

PROGRAM (DAY 1)

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2019

CONFERENCE ROOM, ADFA OFFICERS' MESS

- 0830-0915 *Registration and morning tea*
- 0915-0930 **Welcome**
Professor Shirley Scott, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) (TBC)
Associate Professor Minako Sakai, Asia-Pacific Development and Security Research Group (APDS)
Dr Pichamon Yeophantong, APDS and the Responsible Business Lab
- 0930-1100 **Panel I: Local politics and perspectives**
Mr Robert Debus AM
Dr Nikolay Murashkin, Griffith University and University of Queensland
Dr Saba Mebrahtu, Oxfam Australia
Discussant: A/Prof Minako Sakai
- 1100-1200 **Presentation** on 'Moving beyond an Enclave Approach to Mining Development: Case Studies of Laos and PNG' with Q&A session
Mr Adrian Bell, mining sustainability consultant
- 1215-1315 *Lunch (by invitation) at the ADFA Officers' Mess*
- 1330-1500 **Panel II: National strategies and perspectives**
Professor Ian Hall, Griffith University
Associate Professor Aki Tonami, Tsukuba University
Mr Rayyan Hassan, NGO Forum on ADB (video-link)
Discussant: Dr Pichamon Yeophantong
- 1500-1515 *Afternoon tea break*
- 1515-1645 **Panel III: Regional trends and perspectives**
Dr Nicholas Schofield, Australian Water Partnership
Dr Amrita Malhi, Save the Children
Dr Susan Engel, University of Wollongong
Discussant: Associate Professor Andrew Tan, Macquarie University
- 1645-1700 **Summary of Insights** (Day 1)
A/Prof Andrew Tan

PROGRAM (DAY 2)

FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2019

LECTURE THEATRE 04 (SOUTH), ADFA

- 0830-0900 *Campus tour (optional)*
- 0915-1000 *Registration and morning tea*
- 1000-1200 **Roundtable: Infrastructure ‘competition’ and Australia’s interests**
Vice Admiral Peter Jones AO, DSC, RAN (Retd), Naval Studies Group
Mr Damien Donovan, International Policy Division (Southeast Asia - Mainland), Department of Defence
Moderator: Dr Pichamon Yeophantong
- 1215-1315 *Lunch (by invitation) at the ADFA Officers’ Mess*
- 1330-1500 **Panel IV: The geopolitics of infrastructure development**
Professor Kai He, Griffith University
Lieutenant Commander (Dr) Mark L. Bailey, RAN
Dr Huong Le Thu and Mr Luke Courtois, Australian Strategic Policy Institute
Discussant: Associate Professor Jian Zhang
- 1500-1530 *Afternoon tea break*
- 1530-1630 **Project discussion: topics of interest and dissemination plans**
- 1630-1645 **Summary of Insights (Day 2)**
Ms Feifei Cai, HASS
- 1645-1700 Closing remarks
A/Prof Jian Zhang
Dr Pichamon Yeophantong

WORKSHOP DINNERS

BY INVITATION ONLY

WED 27 NOV

Red Chilli Sichuan
Restaurant, Civic

THURS 28 NOV

Chong Co Restaurant,
Kingston Foreshore

FRI 29 NOV

SoLita Pizzeria and Pasta
Bar, Civic

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BY ORDER OF APPEARANCE

Shirley Scott is Professor of International Law and International Relations and the Head of School of Humanities and Social Sciences at UNSW Canberra. She has recently been elected as the President of the Asian Society of International Law, and is the first Australian to serve in this role. With an international reputation as a leading scholar on the politics of international law, Professor Scott's research areas include the politics of international law, climate security, Antarctica, and Australia's foreign relations.

Minako Sakai is the Co-convenor of APDS and Associate Professor of Southeast Asian Social Enquiry and Indonesian Studies at UNSW Canberra. She is also involved in collaborative research as an Adjunct Associate Professor at the College of Asia and Pacific at the Australian National University. Associate Professor Sakai's research specialises in the anthropology of development, Islam and local identity, citizenship, gender, and development policies.

Pichamon Yeophantong is an Australian Research Council DECRA Fellow and Senior Lecturer in International Relations and Development at UNSW Canberra. She also leads the Responsible Business Lab, and a multi-year project on the impacts of Chinese investment in Southeast Asia, the Pacific and Africa. Dr Yeophantong specialises in Chinese foreign policy and the political economy of sustainable development in the Asia-Pacific. In 2018, she was awarded the CHASS Australia 'Future Leader' Prize for contributions to the humanities, arts and social sciences.

Robert Debus AM has represented the Australian Labor Party as a minister in both the NSW and Australian governments. He has held several appointments within state and federal government, including NSW Attorney-General, NSW Environment Minister, and the Minister for Home Affairs in the federal government. In 2011, Mr Debus was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia for service to the Parliaments of Australia and New South Wales, to the development of an emergency response framework, through contributions to legal and environmental reforms, and to the community.

Saba Mebrahtu Habte is the Head of Research and Knowledge Translation, Oxfam Australia and Program Lead of the Oxfam-Monash Partnership, which is a part of the Monash Sustainable Development Institute, Monash University. She has over 20 years of international development work experience with the United Nations system across Africa and Asia. Dr Mebrahtu Habte is passionate about building capacities of communities, civil society, and governments on evidence-informed and locally-led multi-sectoral programs, targeted to the most vulnerable population groups, for better impact.

Adrian Bell is a mining sustainability consultant. In his previous role as Executive General Manager Support Services at PanAust Limited, he was responsible for overseeing PanAust's human resources, risk management, sustainability and government and external affairs functions and site support services. He has over 30 years' experience working in human resources, sustainability and risk management in the mining industry in Australia, Asia, and South America.

Ian Hall is Professor of International Relations at Griffith University and an Academic Fellow of the Australia India Institute at the University of Melbourne. His research expertise includes the history of international thought, international relations theory, Indian foreign and security policy, and security studies. Professor Hall is currently the co-editor of Australian Journal of International Affairs, and is a Visiting Fellow of the Australian War College.

Aki Tonami is Associate Professor at the Faculty of Business Sciences at the University of Tsukuba, Japan. She remains a Senior Research Fellow at the Nordic Institute of Asian Studies at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark, where she was previously Associate Professor. Her research focuses on the theory and practice of economic diplomacy, foreign investment, science and technology, development aid, and the environment.

Rayyan Hassan is the current executive director of the NGO Forum on ADB. As a civil society advocate, he regularly engages policymakers at the ADB and AIIB and their major shareholders; bringing community issues to the forefront of the development debate. Through the support and guidance of the Forum International Committee, he continues to forge new alliances and implements campaigns with civil society groups at local, regional and global platforms. His work in the Forum remains steadfast in underscoring the importance of environmental and social justice and holding IFIs accountable.

Nikolay Murashkin is a Sessional Lecturer at the School of Political Sciences and International Studies at the University of Queensland, and a Visiting Fellow at Griffith Asia Institute at Griffith University. His research interests include Japan's changing economic statecraft, the politics of connectivity infrastructure and finance in the Indo-Pacific and Eurasia, and Japan's relations with Australia, China, and Russia. Prior to joining academia, Dr Murashkin worked as an analyst in a London-based bank on commodity finance transactions in Central Asia and Eastern Europe.

Amrita Malhi is a Senior Policy Advisor in Geopolitics and Development Economics at Save the Children Australia, and a Visiting Fellow at the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs at ANU. Her research specialises in Asian History, Government and Politics of Asia and the Pacific, and the histories and politics of Muslim movements in Southeast Asia, especially in Malaysia. Dr Malhi has also previously worked in consultancies with industry partners, including Rio Tinto and Newcrest Mining, focusing on the risks that racial and religious identity politics can pose to the social licence to operate for these corporations.

Susan Engel is a Senior Lecturer in Politics and International Studies at the University of Wollongong. Her research interests include international political economy and development, and she has written on topics including aid and development theory and practices, South-South cooperation, sanitation, and the role of emotions in development. Dr Engel has had experience working in the government, community and aid sectors prior to becoming an academic, and continues to engage in volunteer and advocacy work at Indigo Foundation, a not-for-profit organisation that funds community projects in developing countries.

Nicholas Schofield is the Chief Executive of the Australian Water Partnership (AWP) and has worked in the water and natural resource management sector for over 35 years. He has led programs nationally and internationally at the intersections of water, agriculture, forestry, mining, urbanisation, biodiversity and climate change. Prior to joining AWP, Dr Schofield has held senior positions in government, industry, consulting, academia, and not-for-profit sectors. He was formerly Director of the Global Water Institute at UNSW, CEO of the International RiverFoundation, and CEO of the Western Australian Ministerial Water Resources Council.

Andrew Tan is Associate Professor at the Department of Security Studies and Criminology at Macquarie University. He specialises in terrorism, defence studies, insurgencies, and Asian security and international relations. Associate Professor Tan is listed on the United Nations Global Experts database, and was Chair of Global Security Asia in 2013. He previously held positions as Associate Professor at the University of New South Wales, and Senior Lecturer in Defence Studies at King's College London.

Peter Jones AO, DSC, joined the Royal Australian Navy in 1974 and is a surface warfare specialist. He was promoted to the rank of Vice Admiral and appointed to the position of Chief Capability Development Group in 2011. In 2012, Vice Admiral Jones was advanced to an Officer of the Order of Australia for distinguished service as Head Information and Communications Technology Operations and Head Capability Systems in the Capability Development Group. He is also an Adjunct Professor at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at UNSW Canberra.

Damien Donovan is the Director for Southeast Asia - Mainland (Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam) at the International Policy Division, Department of Defence.

Kai He is Professor of International Relations at Griffith Asia Institute and Centre for Governance and Public Policy at Griffith University. His research specialises in International Relations theory, International Security, and China's International Relations. Professor He is a visiting Chair Professor of International Relations at the Zhou Enlai School of Government, Nankai University, China, and is currently an Australian Research Council Future Fellow (2018-2020).

Mark Bailey is currently the Staff Officer Naval Force Analysis in the Directorate of Navy Capability Planning, and a member of the Naval Studies Group. He completed his PhD at the Australian Defence Force Academy in 2019. Lieutenant Commander Bailey joined the Royal Australian Naval College in 1979 as a Seaman officer, then specialised as an Intelligence Officer in the RAAF, and has also worked in strategic logistics, law enforcement intelligence, counter-terrorism and government-industry liaison. His research interests include trade protection in Anglo-Australian Maritime Trade, and the Imperial Japanese Army's transport submarine fleet of WWII.

Huong Le Thu is a senior analyst at ASPI, Defence and Strategy Program. She is also a visiting fellow at the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific, and her research interests include multilateral security in Asia, foreign policy in post-socialist countries, and identity politics. Dr Le Thu is associate fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore, and non-resident fellow at the Institute of International Relations in Taiwan.

Luke Courtois was an ASPI Research Intern in 2019 and recently graduated from the Australian National University with a Bachelor of International Security Studies. Having completed a double major in International Security and Thai language, and a minor in Peace and Conflict Studies, Mr Courtois' research interests include Thai politics, middle-power relations, and great power competition.

Jian Zhang is Associate Professor in International and Political Studies and Deputy Head (Education) of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at UNSW Canberra. He is the Co-convenor of the APDS. Associate Professor Zhang's research interests include Chinese foreign and security policy, China's military modernisation, Asia-Pacific security and Australia-China relations. He is also a member of the Australian Committee of the Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific, a member of the Executive Committee of International Studies Association Asia-Pacific, and an adjunct Senior Fellow at the Institute for Security and Development Policy at Stockholm, Sweden.

Feifei Cai is currently a PhD Candidate at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, UNSW Canberra. Her doctoral research focuses on business-civil society conflicts relating to Chinese investment in developing countries. Her research interests include the role of companies on sustainable development, the social impacts of multinational companies, and rural community development. Ms Cai was previously a researcher and acting director at a Beijing-based NGO.