

5th CSCAP EU Committee Meeting



25 January 2018, Residence Palace, Brussels



09:15-09:30

[Registration](#)

09:30-09:45

[Welcome remarks](#)

Gustav LINDSTROM

EUISS Director / CSCAP EU Chair

09:45-10:30

[Update on EEAS activities in Asia](#)

Gunnar WIEGAND

Managing Director for Asia and the Pacific, EEAS

Q&A

10:30-11:15

[Coordination meeting](#)

Chair

Eva PEJSOVA

CSCAP EU Coordinator

- CSCAP activities in 2017 (concluded Study Groups, membership, etc.)
- Proposed Study Groups for 2018
- Update by CSCAP EU committee members (ongoing research activities, etc.)
- AOB

11:15-11:30

[Coffee break](#)

CSCAP EU Workshop

Arms exports, defence markets, and the new dynamics in EU-Asia relations

11:30-13:00

Session 1: Arms trade and export control in EU-Asia relations

With its many security hotspots, Asia represents a flourishing market for European defence exporters. EU member states supply the majority of military-related equipment, technologies and know-how to East Asian countries, feeding the region's militarisation with apparently limited strategic vision and coherence at an EU level. What are the benefits of such cooperation and what are the limits of current export control policies?

Chair

Alexander McLACHLAN

Senior Advisor, Strategic Planning Division, EEAS

Speakers

Mathieu DUCHÂTEL

Senior Policy Fellow and Deputy Director of the Asia and China Programme, ECFR

Felix HEIDUK

Research Associate, Asia Division, SWP

Liselotte ODGAARD

Associate Professor, Royal Danish Defence College

13:00-14:00

Informal lunch

14:00-15:30

Session 2: Emerging Asian defence markets: challenges and opportunities

The emergence of new actors on the global defence industrial scene is changing the traditional strategic landscape in the Indo-Pacific. China, India, but also Japan, the ROK, Singapore or Australia are not only becoming more independent security actors, but are now also shaping new cooperative (and competitive) patterns across the region themselves. What does this trend mean for Asia's security dynamics and for European markets?

Chair

Alice EKMAN

Research Fellow and Head of China Research, IFRI

Speakers

Richard BITZINGER

Senior Fellow and Coordinator of the Military Transformations Program, RSIS

John HEMMINGS

Director of the Asia Studies Centre, The Henry Jackson Society

Bruno HELLENDORFF

Research Fellow, Coordinator of Peace and Security in Asia-Pacific Programme, GRIP

15:30-16:00

Coffee break

16:00-17:30

Session 3: 'Smart' vs. 'hard': enhancing Europe's strategic relevance in Asia

The EU has been seeking to contribute to regional security mostly by focusing on its normative power: the promotion of the rule of law, multilateralism, conflict prevention and capacity-building. At the same time, the substantial influence of its member states on the Asian military balance remains largely overlooked. How could Brussels best coordinate its policies to secure its interests and enhance its strategic relevance in the region?

Chair

Gudrun WACKER

Senior Fellow, Asia Division, SWP

Speakers

Gareth PRICE

Senior Research Fellow, Asia Programme, Chatham House

Alexander McLACHLAN

Senior Advisor, Strategic Planning Division, EEAS

Daniel FIOTT

Security and Defence Editor, EUISS

17:30

End of meeting