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4:00pm-5:30pm PDT



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SCHEDULE

PANEL 1. SECURITY AND DEFENSE COOPERATION IN THE INDO-PACIFIC

Monday October 12, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: James Ellis (Hoover Institution)

Discussant: Joseph Felter (Hoover Institution), Che-chuan Lee (INDSR)

PANEL 2. SHARP POWER, NATURAL RESOURCES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Thursday October 15, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: Minxin Pei (Claremont-McKenna College)

Discussant: Elizabeth Economy (Hoover Institution)

PANEL 3. ECONOMIC INTERDEPENDENCE: DANGERS AND OPPORTUNITIES AHEAD

Monday October 19, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: David Lampton (Johns Hopkins-SAIS)

Discussant: Thomas Fingar (Stanford University)

PANEL 4. PRC INFLUENCE AND INTERFERENCE

Thursday October 22, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: Glenn Tiffert (Hoover Institution)

Discussant: John Pomfret (Washington Post contributor)

PANEL 5. DEMOCRACY, GOOD GOVERNANCE AND PLURALISM

Monday October 26, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: Lanhee Chen (Hoover Institution)

Discussant: Larry Diamond (Hoover Institution)

PANEL 6. CHINA'S RISE AND PROSPECTS FOR SECURITY AND STABILITY IN THE INDO-PACIFIC REGION

Thursday October 29, 4-5:30pm PDT

Keynote: H.R. McMaster (Hoover Institution)

Chair: Larry Diamond (Hoover Institution)

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- **The changing balance of military power in the Indo-Pacific Region**
Phillip Saunders, National Defense University
- **Indo-Pacific strategies: The perspectives of key U.S. allies and partners**
Tetsuo Kotani, Japan Institute of International Affairs
- **Taiwan's Overall Defense Concept and its global partnerships**
Chyungly Lee, National Chengchi University

BIOGRAPHIES



ADM James Ellis (Ret.) is an Annenberg Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Hoover Institution. He led United States Strategic Command and commanded the USS Independence carrier battle group during the Third Taiwan Strait Crisis in 1996. He is also the former president and CEO of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO).



Dr. Joseph Felter is a research fellow at the Hoover Institution. He is former US deputy assistant secretary of defense for South Asia, Southeast Asia, and Oceania, and co-directs the Empirical Studies of Conflict Project at Stanford's Center for International Security and Cooperation.



Tetsuo Kotani is a senior fellow at the Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA) and a professor at Meikai University. He was a visiting scholar, Japan Chair at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). His research focuses on the US-Japan alliance and maritime security.



Dr. Che-chuan Lee is the chief of the national security and decision-making division at the Institute for National Defense and Security Research in Taiwan. Formerly, he served on Taiwan's Mainland Affairs Council, National Security Council, and in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Dr. Chyungly Lee is distinguished professor, and research fellow at the Institute of International Relations at National Chengchi University. She is the author of *Multilateral Approaches to Asia-Pacific Security Order: Concepts and Practices of Conflict Prevention*.



Dr. Phillip Saunders is director of the Center for the Study of Chinese Military Affairs, and a distinguished research fellow at the Institute for National Strategic Studies at National Defense University. He is co-author of *The Paradox of Power: Sino-American Strategic Restraint in an Era of Vulnerability*.

Thursday October 15, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: Minxin Pei (Claremont-McKenna College)

Discussant: Elizabeth Economy (Hoover Institution)

- **The intensifying competition over fisheries**
Kuan-hsiung Wang, National Taiwan Normal University
- **Oil and gas development in the South China Sea**
Emily Meierding, Naval Postgraduate School
- **Oceania and the geopolitics of resource extraction**
Transform Aqorau, Solomon Islands National University

BIOGRAPHIES



Dr. Transform Aqorau is the Solomon Islands' ambassador to the United Nations and a visiting professor at the Solomon Islands National University. He is also CEO of iTuna Intel, and the former CEO of the Parties to the Nauru Agreement Office.



Dr. Elizabeth Economy is a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution and Senior Fellow for China Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations. She is an expert on Chinese domestic and foreign policy and author of *The Third Revolution: Xi Jinping and the New Chinese State*.



Dr. Emily Meierding is assistant professor of national security affairs at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. Her research examines how energy resources and climate change affect international and domestic conflict and cooperation. She is the author of *The Oil Wars Myth: Petroleum and the Causes of International Conflict*.



Dr. Minxin Pei is professor of political science at Claremont-McKenna College and an expert on governance in the People's Republic of China, U.S.-Asia relations, and democratization in developing nations. He is the author of *China's Crony Capitalism: The Dynamics of Regime Decay*.



Dr. Kuan-hsiung Wang is professor at the Graduate Institute of Political Science at National Taiwan Normal University and former Associate Professor at the Institute of the Law of the Sea at the National Taiwan Ocean University.

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Chair: David Lampton (Johns Hopkins-SAIS)

Discussant: Thomas Fingar (Stanford University)

- **Economic coercion as a tool of PRC foreign policy**
Christina Lai, Academia Sinica
- **Taiwan's New Southbound Policy: A framework for economic security**
Ian Tsung-yen Chen, National Sun Yat-sen University
- **Competing paradigms of development assistance in the Indo-Pacific**
Jonathan Pryke, Lowy Institute

BIOGRAPHIES



Dr. Ian Tsung-yen Chen is associate professor at the Institute of Political Science at National Sun Yat-sen University. His current book project is entitled *The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank: Power, Interests and Reputation*.



Dr. Thomas Fingar is a Shorenstein APARC Fellow in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University. Formerly, he was first deputy director of national intelligence and chairman of the U.S. National Intelligence Council. Most recently, he co-edited *Fateful Decisions: Choices that Will Shape China's Future*.



Dr. Christina Lai is a junior research fellow in the Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica, Taiwan. She was also a lecturer in global security studies at Johns Hopkins University. Her research focuses on U.S.-China relations, Chinese foreign policy, East Asian politics, and qualitative research methods.



Dr. David M. Lampton is professor emeritus of China studies and former director of SAIS-China and China Studies at Johns Hopkins SAIS. He is a senior fellow of the Foreign Policy Institute and former president of the National Committee on United States-China Relations.



Jonathan Pryke is director of the Lowy Institute's Pacific Islands Program. Mr. Pryke joined the Lowy Institute from the Development Policy Centre at the Australian National University where he was editor of the Development Policy Blog.

Thursday October 22, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: Glenn Tiffert (Hoover Institution)

Discussant: John Pomfret (Washington Post contributor)

- **Identifying United Front platforms in the Indo-Pacific**
James To, Independent scholar and author
- **Media Influence Operations in Australia**
Maree Ma, Vision Times Media (AUS)
- **Online Disinformation and Propaganda**
Puma Shen, National Taipei University
- **How Asians View the Competition for Influence Between China and the U.S.**
Yun-han Chu, National Taiwan University & Academia Sinica

BIOGRAPHIES



Dr. Yun-han Chu is distinguished research fellow of the Institute of Political Science at Academia Sinica and professor of political science at National Taiwan University. He serves concurrently as president of the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange. His research focuses on the politics of Greater China, East Asian political economy and democratization.



Maree Ma is general manager of Vision Times Media, a leading independent Chinese language media company in Australia.



John Pomfret is global affairs contributor and former Beijing bureau chief for the Washington Post. He is the author of *The Beautiful Country and the Middle Kingdom: America and China, 1776 to the Present*.



Dr. Puma Shen is assistant professor at National Taipei University's Graduate School of Criminology and director of DoubleThink Labs, which studies the intersection between democratic governance and the internet.



Dr. Glenn Tiffert is a research fellow at the Hoover Institution. A historian of modern China, he manages the Hoover projects on Taiwan in the Indo-Pacific Region, and on China's Global Sharp Power.



Dr. James To is a political scientist and author of *Qiaowu: Extra-Territorial Policies for the Overseas Chinese* - written from his experiences across leadership and executive roles with various diaspora community organizations. Dr. To is currently the national secretary of the New Zealand Chinese Association.

Monday October 26, 4-5:30pm PDT

Chair: Lanhee Chen (Hoover Institution)

Discussant: Larry Diamond (Hoover Institution)

- **The Indo-Pacific Transparency Initiative meets the Belt and Road**
Lavina Lee, Macquarie University
- **Tackling Local Clientelism and Corruption: Taiwan's experience**
Chin-shou Wang, National Cheng Kung University
- **Countering Sharp Power: Lessons from Taiwan**
Kharis Templeman, Hoover Institution

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Dr. Lanhee Chen is David and Diane Steffy Fellow in American Public Policy Studies at the Hoover Institution. A veteran of four US presidential campaigns, he is also the Director of Domestic Policy Studies and Lecturer in the Public Policy Program at Stanford University.



Dr. Larry Diamond is a senior fellow at the Hoover Institution. He chairs Hoover's projects on Taiwan in the Indo-Pacific Region and China's Global Sharp Power. A renowned expert on democracy, he is the author of *Ill Winds: Saving Democracy from Russian Rage, Chinese Ambition, and American Complacency*.



Dr. Lavina Lee is a senior lecturer in the Department of Modern History, Politics and International Relations at Macquarie University. She is the author of *US Hegemony and International Legitimacy: Norms Power and Followership in the Wars on Iraq*.



Dr. Kharis Templeman is a visiting scholar at the Hoover Institution. Formerly, he led the Taiwan Democracy and Security Project (TDSP) in the Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (APARC) at Stanford. He is co-editor of *Dynamics of Democracy in Taiwan: The Ma Ying-jeou Years*.



Dr. Chin-shou Wang is professor of political science at National Cheng Kung University. His research focuses on judicial politics.

Thursday October 29, 4-5:30pm PDT**Keynote:** H.R. McMaster (Hoover Institution)**Chair:** Larry Diamond (Hoover Institution)**Panelists:**

- Michael Auslin, Hoover Institution
- Elizabeth Economy, Hoover Institution
- James Ellis, Hoover Institution
- Thomas Fingar, Stanford University
- Orville Schell, Asia Society

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LTG H.R. McMaster (Ret.) is Fouad and Michelle Ajami Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution. He was the 26th U.S. national security advisor. McMaster is the author of *Battlegrounds: The Fight to Defend the Free World*.



Orville Schell is Arthur Ross Director of the Center on U.S.-China Relations at the Asia Society. A long-time China observer, Schell is former dean of the Graduate School of Journalism at the University of California, Berkeley.



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