

## London Asia Pacific Centre Workshop on Regional Security and Integration, Royal Society of the Arts 19 June 2018 (final programme)

09.30 participants arrive, coffee/tea/pastries

09.45 **Introductory remarks** (Tat Yan Kong, SOAS)

10.00-11.10 **Panel 1: The Korean Peninsula**

- Tat Yan Kong (SOAS, Chair)
- Yeajin Yoon (Oxford) *Inter-Korean relations in the era of the Panmunjeom declaration*
- Andrea Berger (MIIS) *The denuclearization of North Korea?*
- Jie Yu (LSE) *China and the Korean Peninsula*

11.10-11.30 coffee/tea break

11.30-12.40 **Panel 2: The South and East China Seas**

- TBC (Chair)
- Bill Hayton (Chatham House), *US-China in the South and East China Seas*
- Charles Chen (Cambridge) *Contested sovereignty in the SCS*
- Alessio Patalano (King's) *Contested sovereignty in the ECS*

12.40-13.20 lunch

13.20-14.30 **Panel 3: Regional Economic Integration**

- Ramon Pacheco Pardo (King's, Chair)
- Sohyun Lee (LSE) *Pathways of trade integration*
- Ulrich Volz (SOAS) *Challenges to financial integration*
- Emma Nichols (Former Strategic Advisor, New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade) *Integration in a changing context: the trade war era?*

14.30-14.50 coffee/tea break

14.50-15.00 Concluding remarks (Ramon Pacheco Pardo, King's)

Workshop ends



## Presenters

**Andrea Berger (Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey)** Andrea Berger is a Senior Research Associate and a Senior Program Manager, of the James Martin Centre for Non-proliferation Studies of the MIIS based in London. Her research interests include North Korea's WMD programs, sanctions and export controls, countering proliferation finance, and non-proliferation and disarmament diplomacy. Andrea conducts detailed investigations into illicit networks using open-source intelligence techniques, in support of counterproliferation efforts. She is also a regular contributor at [Arms Control Wonk](#), [38 North](#), and [NK News](#). In addition to her full-time position with the CNS, Andrea is currently a Visiting Fellow in the Centre for Science and Security Studies (CSSS) at King's College London, as well as an Associate Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute.

**Charles Chen (Cambridge)** DR CHARLES I-HSIN CHEN is a Visiting Postdoctoral Fellow in Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge. He received BA in Politics from National Taiwan University and PhD in Economics from SOAS. He served as the Spokesman for Taiwan's Presidential Office and ruling Nationalist Party during 2014-16. Charles works on issues of cross-Strait relations and territorial dispute in East and South China Sea. He attended the leader summit between President Ma Ying-jeou and Xi Jinping in Singapore in November 2015. During the arbitration of South China Sea, he coordinated government ministries to generate discourses defending Taiwan's maritime rights; for which purpose he travelled to Taiping Island (Itu Aba) three times in early 2016. His articles appeared in Foreign Affairs, Foreign Affairs (Japan), The National Interest, Foreign Policy, The Diplomat, Financial Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Japan Times, The Straits Times, South China Morning Post, and various newspapers in Taiwan.

**Bill Hayton (BBC and Chatham House)** Bill Hayton is an Associate Fellow with the Asia Programme of Chatham House in 2015. He is the author of 'The South China Sea: the struggle for power in Asia' (Yale, 2014) and 'Vietnam: rising dragon' (Yale, 2010). Bill has worked for the BBC since 1998 and currently works for BBC World News television in London. He was the BBC's reporter in Vietnam in 2006-07 and spent 2013 embedded with Myanmar's state broadcaster working on media reform. He has given presentations about South China Sea and Southeast Asian issues for think-tanks and government institutions in the UK, US, the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and elsewhere. His written work has been published in The Economist, the South China Morning Post, The Diplomat and the National Interest, among others. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in London.

**Sohyun Lee (LSE)** Dr. Sohyun Zoe Lee has recently completed her Ph.D. in International Relations at the London School of Economics and Political Science. She will begin her postdoctoral fellowship at the Department of International Relations at the China Foreign Affairs University in Beijing from August 2018. She specialises in international political economy, with a regional focus on East Asia. Previously, she was a visiting fellow at the Korea University Asiatic Research Institute and an assistant researcher at the Seoul



National University Asia Center. She has also worked at the Free Trade Agreement Negotiations Bureau for the South Korean Foreign Ministry. Dr. Lee received her M.A. in Regional Studies – East Asia at Harvard University and her B.A. in International Studies at Korea University.

**Emma Nichols (LSE, formerly New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade)**

Emma began her career at the New Zealand Treasury in 2009, working on regulatory impact analysis, fisheries and natural resource policy. Since 2012 she has worked for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, initially on negotiations (the World Trade Organisation and the Transpacific Partnership Agreement). In 2013-2014 she was policy advisor leading projects in the Strategic Policy Division, including redesigning the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade's organisational vision. From 2014-2017 Emma was the Second Secretary at the New Zealand Embassy in Paris, covering bilateral relations with France and Senegal and United Nations Security Council issues. She also served as Acting Permanent Representative to UNESCO. Emma is currently pursuing a Masters degree in European and Comparative Social policy at the London School of Economics and Political Science.

**Alessio Patalano (King's)** I am Reader in War Studies in the Department of War Studies, King's College London, and specialise in Japanese naval history and strategy and contemporary maritime issues in East Asia. I am the Director of the [Asian Security & Warfare Research Group](#) and Research Associate at the King's China Institute. I hold degrees from the University of Naples (BA) and the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris (DEA). Since 2006, I have been Visiting Lecturer in Naval Strategy and East Asian Security at the Italian Naval War College (ISMM), Venice. In Japan, I have been a Visiting Scholar at Aoyama Gakuin University and at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), both in Tokyo, and am currently Adjunct Fellow at the Institute of Contemporary Asian Studies, Temple University Japan.

**Ulrich Volz (SOAS)** Ulrich Volz is Head of the Department of Economics and a Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Economics at SOAS University of London. He is also a Senior Research Fellow at the German Development Institute and Honorary Professor of Economics at the University of Leipzig. He serves as a member of the Advisory Council of the Asian Development Bank Institute in Tokyo, as chairman of the Japan Economy Network, and as co-editor-in-chief of the [Asia Europe Journal](#). He is editor of the forthcoming *Routledge Handbook of Banking and Finance in Asia*.

**Yeajin Yoon (Oxford)** Before entering academia, I travelled extensively across Asia and worked with national governments, international organisations, and NGOs in the region. I worked as a founding member of the Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat, the official intergovernmental organisation for China, Japan, and the ROK and previously, managed a development fund focused on the ASEAN region at the Korean Foreign Ministry. I received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with Honours from Stanford University and a Master of Public Policy degree at the Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University. My current research investigates the dynamics of cooperation among China, Japan, and the Republic



Korea with the aim to provide practical insights for policymakers seeking to strengthen regional cooperation and security.

**Jie Yu (LSE)** I am the Head of the Foresight Project at the LSE IDEAS. My research focuses on decision-making process of Chinese foreign policy to study who key decision makers are amongst Beijing's political elites; how decisions are made and what are key stakeholders for Chinese foreign policy. I also retain interests in UK-China and China-EU relations in general and recently acted as an expert witness for House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee inquiry into UK-China relations. I regularly fronts on major Chinese and English media outlets to comment and write on China's foreign affairs, appearance including BBC (TV&Radio), CCTV, the Independent, the I, South China Morning Post, VOA and Xinhua News Agency. I gained my doctorate at the International Relations Department, LSE. Her thesis titles as "Partnership of Partnerships: An Examination on China-EU relations by using China-EU collaboration on climate change and clean energy technology as a case study". Prior to LSE IDEAS, I worked as a management consultant and China Desk at London Office of Roland Berger Strategy Consultants, GmbH. I worked extensively with leading European conglomerates on China market entry strategies and Chinese State Owned Enterprises on direct investments in Europe, including EADS, Shanghai Automotive (SAIC), China General Nuclear Group (CGN). I also teach both undergraduate and postgraduate courses (MSc Executive) at LSE and School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. And I also teach at LSE-Peking University joint Summer School.

#### List of Workshop Participants

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