







Institute for Strategic Studies of Mongolia

THE ULAANBAATAR DIALOGUE ON NORTHEAST ASIAN SECURITY

The Seventh International Conference

23-24 June 2022

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Date: 23-24 June 2022

Venue: Consensus Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

Languages: English, Mongolian

23 June 2022, Thursday (Day 1)

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 - 09:45 **OPENING SESSION**

Chair: Ms. MANDKHAI Batsuren, Director General ad-interim, Department of Multilateral Cooperation, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

Remarks by **H.E. BATTSETSEG Batmunkh**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mongolia Remarks by **Prof. DAVAADORJ Begz,** Director, the Institute for Strategic Studies, Mongolia Video remarks by **Ms. ROSEMARY DiCarlo**, Under-Secretary-General of the UN for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs

Photo Session

09:45 - 10:00 Coffee break ("Nomin" Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

10:00 - 12:30

SESSION 1: SECURITY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE REGION

Despite the ramifications of the pandemic, security tensions remain high in Northeast Asia due to ongoing geopolitical and geo-economic competition among the great powers and uncertainty on the Korean Peninsula. This session will provide a platform for regional experts, policymakers, and academics to discuss security challenges and opportunities in the sub-region. What are the most pressing security challenges and their trends? What are the short, medium, and long-term implications for the region and beyond?

Moderator: **Dr. MENDEE Jargalsaikhan**, Deputy Director, the Institute for Strategic Studies, Mongolia

Mr. MUNKH-OCHIR Dorjugder, Chief of Strategic Policy and Analysis, Executive Office of the National Security Council of Mongolia

Hon. Bryon WILFERT, Former member of Parliament, Canada

Dr. FAN Xiaoju, Research Professor, Director, Institute of Northeast Asian Studies, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (Online)

Prof. Dr. Ruediger FRANK, Professor of East Asian Economy and Society, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Vienna (Online)

Dr. Mimura MITSUHIRO, Senior Research Fellow, Economic Research Institute for Northeast Asia, Japan

Dr. Ki-Jung KIM, President of the Institute for National Security Strategy, ROK

Mr. Konstantin ZATULIN, Director of the Institute CIS countries, Russian Federation O&A

13:30 - 15:30

SESSION 2: MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN NORTHEAST ASIA

Although the Northeast Asian region lacks an overarching security mechanism, there are numerous efforts that have been made to build confidence and trust. State actors as well as even non-governmental organizations have put forward and tried to promote various types of confidence-building measures (CBMs). This session will be welcoming experts from the sub-region and beyond to share their perspectives on successful CBMs, examine past and current examples, and explore practical steps for sustainable CBMs in the region. How can countries contribute to effective CBM? What are the best practices for CBM?

Moderator: **Mr. Jonathan Berkshire MILLER,** Director and Senior Fellow, Indo-Pacific Program, Macdonald-Laurier Institute, Canada

Mr. MASHBAT Otgonbayar, President, National Institute for Security Studies, Mongolia

Dr. Sunghoon LEE, Senior Research Fellow, the Institute for National Security Strategy, ROK

Ms. Yulia KRYACHKINA, Senior Research Fellow, Russian Institute for Strategic Studies, Russian Federation

Dr. Albrecht SCHNABEL, Head, Asia-Pacific Unit, Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance (DCAF)

Dr. Gregory GLEASON, Professor, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies Q&A

15:30 - 15:45 Coffee break ("Nomin" Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

15:45 - 17:00

SESSION 3: FUTURING PEACE IN NORTHEAST ASIA

This session will be jointly organized with the UN Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) and will provide a platform for youth representatives to share their views and recommendations on regional peace and security with policymakers. Youth representatives will discuss ways to strengthen ties between youth in the region, create common narratives, promote confidence-building measures, and bridge gaps between generations. How could policymakers better hear young people's voices and allow for contributions to policymaking? In what areas should youth expertise be prioritized?

Moderator: **Dr. Sonja BACHMANN**, Team leader, Northeast Asia and the Pacific, Department of Political Affairs, United Nations

Ms. Ijun KIM, ROK Mr. TENGIS Batbayar, Mongolia Ms. Yukako BAN, Japan Q&A

18:30 - 20:30 Reception Jointly hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia and the Institute for Strategic Studies (Soyombo Hall, 5th floor, The Best Western Tuushin hotel)

24 June 2022, Friday (Day 2)

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

O9:00 - 11:00 TRACK I Roundtable meeting: A closed session for government representatives (Room 101, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

09:00 - 10:00

SESSION 4: THE POST-COVID ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN THE REGION

The pandemic has had a strong impact on trade, investment, and financial markets while impacting all communities, and individuals. International financial institutions and countries have implemented substantial policy measures and stimulus programs to reduce the impacts of the pandemic. This session will provide a platform for economists, policymakers, and business representatives from Asian countries and international financial institutions to engage in constructive discussions about the post-COVID-19 economic collaboration. How can regional countries and international financial organizations cooperate to stabilize regional economy, improve connectivity, and prepare for future crises?

Moderator: Mr. BYAMBASAIKHAN Bayanjargal, Vice-Chair of the Business Council of Mongolia

Mr. Rustam ASIZBAEV, Director, the National Institute for Strategic Studies of the Kyrgyz Republic Mr. DULGUUN Baasandavaa, CEO, New Recovery Policy Accelerator under Cabinet Secretary, Mongolia

Mr. ENKHBAYAR Namjildorj, Head of the Economic Security Research Center, the Institute of Strategic Studies, Mongolia

Dr. ENKHBAYAR Shagdar, Senior Research Fellow, Economic Research Institute for Northeast Asia

Mr. Yasin JANJUA, Economist, The United Nations Development Programme

Mr. Jean-Pascal NGANOU, Senior Economist for Mongolia, World Bank Q&A

10:00 - 10:10 Coffee break ("Nomin" Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

10:10 - 12:00

SESSION 5: POWER GRID CONNECTIVITY FOR THE ENERGY TRANSITION IN NORTHEAST ASIA

This session will be jointly organized with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific to welcome government officials, regional experts and academics on energy cooperation. Participants will share their views on energy policies, sustainable development, best practices, and future trends in Northeast Asian countries as well as emerging challenges the region might face in the coming years. The session will also encourage participants to focus on challenges and opportunities for addressing the interlinked targets of Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG 7) as well as how to promote regional energy integration through bilateral and multilateral cooperation. What is the potential impact of energy infrastructure integration in fostering economic cooperation? How to make regional cooperation in this area be more effective and aligned with the sustainable development goals? What are the major challenges and solutions to close the gap of SDG7? How to make the regional cooperation to achieve energy transition and SDG7?

Moderator: **Ms. Yejin HA**, Progamme Officer, the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Mr. Matthew WITTENSTEIN, Chief, Energy Connectivity Section, Energy Division, the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

"Energy transition and the potential for power system connectivity in North-East Asia: Towards a green power corridor"

Mr. LUVSANTSEREN Ichinkhorloo, Director General, Fuel Policy Implementation Coordination Department, Ministry of Energy, Mongolia

Mr. DULGUUN Damdin-Od, Executive Director, International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries

Mr. David Michael WOGAN, Assistant Vice President, Asia Pacific Energy Research Centre (Online)

Dr. Seiichiro KIMURA, Senior Researcher, Renewable Energy Institute, Japan

Ms. Sujata GUPTA, Director, Sustainable Infrastructure Division of the East Asia Department (Online)

Mr. Jie TANG, Practice Manager, Energy and Extractives Global Practice, World Bank (Online)

Dr. Olga DYOMINA, Senior Researcher, Economic Research Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences (Online)

Mr. Xiaosong FANG, Director, International Business Department, Electric Power Planning and Engineering Institute, China (Online)
O&A

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch ("Nomin" Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

13:00 - 13:45 CLOSING SESSION

Chair: **Dr. MENDEE Jargalsaikhan**, Deputy Director, the Institute for Strategic Studies, Mongolia

Moderators' summary

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Closing Remarks:

Mr. ANKHBAYAR Nyamdorj, State Secretary Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia Prof. DAVAADORJ Begz, Director, the Institute for Strategic Studies, Mongolia

14:30 - 15:30 Photo with **H.E. KHURELSUKH Ukhnaa**, the President of Mongolia (TBC)

(International Participants only)

18:00 - 20:00 Cultural Event for International Delegates (By invitation only)