



Indo-Pacific Security: Japan's Cooperation with the US and Australia

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The Indo-Pacific region faces an ever-intensifying security environment and rapidly shifting diplomatic and economic landscapes.

In an era of great power rivalry Japan aims to minimise the risks of an armed conflict, while maximising opportunities for region-wide economic and social exchange.

What are Japan's challenges in deterring an armed conflict over Taiwan? What is Japan's Free and Open Indo-Pacific and what are its implications for the region? How does Japan envisage the roles that the Japan-US alliance and security cooperation with Australia and other partners may play in the Indo-Pacific?



Please join Professor Satoru MORI to discuss the role that Japan can play in regional security.



Professor Satoru MORI teaches Contemporary International Politics at the Faculty of Law and is the Deputy Director of the Keio Center for Strategy at Keio University. He is currently undertaking research on U.S. strategy in Asia particularly on U.S.-China relations and the Japan-U.S. alliance, and U.S. defense innovation and its implications for U.S. allies. Professor Mori currently chairs the security policy project at the Japan Institute for International Affairs and the Japan-US alliance project at the Nakasone Peace Institute, among other projects. He was a senior fellow of the National Security Secretariat of the Cabinet Secretariat of the Japanese government (2016-2019). He is a member of the Ministry of Defense's New Defense Policy Roundtable since 2020. He was among the experts called upon by the National Security Secretariat during the hearings in 2022 on the revision of Japan's strategic documents. He is a former Japanese Foreign Ministry official and holds a Ph.D. degree from the University of Tokyo, LL.M. degrees from Columbia University Law School and Kyoto University, and a LL.B. degree from Kyoto University.

12.30pm-1pm: Light lunch and refreshments provided
1pm-2pm: Discussion, and Q&A

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