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Message from the Dean

RSIS started off as the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (IDSS) on 30 July 1996. Following several years of rapid growth, beginning in 2001, IDSS was upgraded and renamed RSIS on 1 January 2007. The growth that contributed to the name change has since stabilised, hence enabling the School to consolidate itself in teaching, research and administration over the last year. Today, RSIS is a regional hub for policymakers, academics and graduate students interested in Asia-Pacific strategic studies and international affairs.



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One indicator of our academic standing lies in the area of student admissions. In 2009, the number admitted to our four Master of Science (M.Sc.) programmes was 184, a 25-percentage point increase over the 148 admitted in 2008. This substantial increase in admissions over the previous year was due to the large number of good quality candidates that applied. The additional demands on our faculty and teaching resources were met through personal adjustments and closer attention in scheduling.

As for RSIS's international standing, a good indicator is the number of students we have been having from overseas. When our first M.Sc. programme started in 1998, we had only 10 students—all of them Singaporeans. Since then, the number of international students admitted to our M.Sc. programmes has grown to 90 out of 148 in 2008, and to 114 out of 184 in 2009. This means that out of every ten Master's students at RSIS, more than six come from overseas. In 2009, three more countries were represented, bringing the total number of countries whose nationals have taken M.Sc. programmes at RSIS to 50. These countries are distributed across all the continents.

RSIS's Doctoral Programme has also expanded since graduating its first candidate in 2006. There are presently 14 students under the highly selective and competitive programme. Many of them come from our M.Sc. stream, thus ensuring their quality. Like the M.Sc. programmes, RSIS's Doctoral Programme is cosmopolitan in character, which is a reflection of the School's international orientation. The majority of the students are integrated into the RSIS institutional and personal faculty research programmes, thus enriching their learning experience whilst also supporting a broad-based collegial research effort.

Among the new educational initiatives that we have introduced in 2009 is the NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme, which would enable its graduates to acquire double Master degrees from Nanyang Technological University (of which RSIS is an autonomous school) and the University of Warwick. Under the programme, students will complete the first year at Warwick, where they will be exposed to its acclaimed expertise in the political and methodological aspects of international studies, and acquire a solid foundation for RSIS's global security and area studies focus in the second year. Launched on 2 November 2009, the NTU-Warwick Double Masters programme will be available from 2010 onwards.

RSIS's strength in research was also affirmed when it received an award of US\$2.5 million over three years from The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation in 2009. Of this amount, US\$2.2 million was awarded to the Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies (NTS) while US\$0.3 million was awarded to the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme. This award, which is the second time RSIS had received a grant from the MacArthur Foundation, is part of a US\$68 million Asia Security Initiative launched by the foundation to bring international policy institutions together to address Asia's security challenges.

The US\$2.2 million grant awarded to the Centre for NTS Studies was the biggest grant given to any of the 27 research institutions selected for the initiative. Led by Mr. Jonathan Fanton, President of the MacArthur Foundation, the Asia Security Initiative was officially launched on 29 May 2009. Bolstered by their respective awards, the Centre for NTS Studies and the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme have both mapped out a series of research activities for the period 2009 to 2011. We are pleased with the generosity of the MacArthur Foundation and its abiding confidence in RSIS.

Another major accomplishment by RSIS in 2009 was the establishment of the SAF's Continuing Education Programme for armed forces officers attending the Command and Staff Course at the SAFTI Military Institute. The programme, which allowed components of the Command and Staff Course to be accreditable to various M.Sc. programmes in NTU, was developed by the SAF in collaboration with RSIS's Military Studies Programme and NTU's College of Engineering and Nanyang Business School. While staff members of RSIS's Military Studies Programme will continue to co-teach the CSC's Security Studies and Campaigning and War Studies modules with SAFTI's Military History Branch in 2009, they will take over the teaching of both modules exclusively from 2010 onwards.

In 2009, RSIS started the Malaysia Programme as part of the School's country and area studies research programme. The new Malaysia Programme aims to provide the policy community with informed assessments and insights into social and political developments in Malaysia. Thus far, in spite of having only just started, its staff members have already published major studies on Malaysia, including Associate Professor Joseph Liow's *Piety and Politics: Islamism in Contemporary Malaysia*, and reports on the opposition Pakatan Rakyat coalition, Indonesia-Malaysia relations in the light of the recent disputes, and an interview with Nik Aziz Nik Mat, Menteri Besar of Kelantan and PAS Spiritual Leader. The programme also hosted visits by Dato Nur Jazlan Mohamed, Head of the Pulai Division of UMNO, and Dato Mustafa Ali, Secretary-General of PAS.

In networking, RSIS was honoured at having been asked to support the Indonesian Armed Forces and the Indonesian Department of Defence (TNI-Dephan) in organizing an international conference, which was held on 11–12 March 2009. Officiated by President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, the conference was held in conjunction with the launch of the Indonesian National Defence University. Research collaborations have also been established with various institutions overseas, including the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP), the China Institute of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) and the Institute of Strategic Studies (ISS) at the Chinese National Defence University.

These have been some of our accomplishments in a year better known for the economic and financial crises that gripped the world. It has been a challenging year for RSIS and we are not completely out of the woods yet.

I look forward to higher levels of accomplishments in 2010.

A Brief History of RSIS

The S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) was officially inaugurated on 1 January 2007. Prior to this, it was known as the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (IDSS), which was established 10 years earlier on 30 July 1996 by Dr. Tony Tan Keng Yam, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence. Like its predecessor, RSIS was established as an autonomous entity within Nanyang Technological University (NTU).

The establishment of RSIS was a crowning achievement for IDSS. Besides serving to honour the late Mr. S. Rajaratnam, who was Singapore's first Foreign Minister, the renaming of IDSS reflects the progress of what was originally a modest research institute into a professional graduate school of international affairs. IDSS continues to exist within RSIS as the core component, focusing on security research. Its teaching functions now reside within the School.

RSIS exists to develop a community of scholars and policy analysts at the forefront of Asia-Pacific security studies and international affairs. Its motto, as before, is to "Ponder the Improbable". Its research, teaching and networking objectives are aimed at assisting policymakers to develop comprehensive approaches to strategic thinking in areas related to Singapore's interests.

The School is guided by a Board of Governors chaired by Mr. Eddie Teo, the Chairman of the Public Service Commission. His predecessor,



The RSIS Board of Governors at its third meeting on 9 January 2009

Dr. Andrew Chew, stepped down from the Board on 31 December 2008, after having served as the Chairman since the establishment of IDSS in 1996.

The Founding Director of IDSS was Mr. S R Nathan, who was then concurrently Ambassador-at-Large in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and formerly Singapore's Ambassador to the United States. Mr. Nathan established the Institute with start-up funds contributed by the government and the Singapore Totalisator Board. He relinquished his post on 17 August 1999 when he became President of the Republic of Singapore and was succeeded by his deputy, Professor Khong Yuen Foong.

Another change in leadership took place on 1 October 2000, when Professor Khong returned to his teaching career at Oxford University. He was succeeded by Ambassador Barry Desker, who was Chief Executive Officer of the Singapore Trade Development Board and, before that, Singapore's Ambassador to Indonesia. Professor Khong remains affiliated to RSIS as Senior Research Advisor and Professor of International Relations. He continues to teach two M.Sc. courses each year.

RSIS runs several lecture and conference series initiated by IDSS. It continues to be active in organizing conferences and workshops on regional security, including the annual Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO), the annual Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO) and the biennial Asia-Pacific



Mr. Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence, speaking with participants of the 11th APPSMO held on 3–10 August 2009

Security Conference, which it jointly organizes with Singapore Airshow & Events Pte Ltd.

RSIS has also taken over from IDSS its role as the Secretariat for the Singapore National Committee of the Council for Security Co-operation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP). In this capacity, RSIS has contributed to the ASEAN Regional Forum's security agenda through its participation in, or convening of, workshops on behalf of CSCAP.

In the area of teaching, the School's four Master of Science programmes—in Strategic Studies, International Relations, International Political Economy and Asian Studies—were inaugurated in 1998, 2002, 2004 and 2008, respectively, to cater to the development of defence and security professionals, civil servants and others with an interest in these fields. The faculty comprises RSIS staff members as well as international and local specialists in the fields of strategic studies, terrorism studies, international relations, political economy, foreign policy analysis, defence technology, law and business management. To widen the choice for students, a new Master's programme was introduced in 2009: the Nanyang MBA (International Studies), which RSIS runs jointly with the University's Nanyang Business School.

The School has benefited from IDSS's earlier association with King's College, London, and in particular, the assistance of Professor Sir Lawrence Freedman, its Professor of War Studies. Professor Freedman was IDSS's Consultant and External Examiner until June 2003, during which he provided sterling service to the Institute and its Master's programmes. Appointed to take Professor Freedman's place were Professor Stephen Walt and Professor Steve Smith, who currently serve RSIS as Consultant and External Examiner, respectively. Professor Stephen Walt is the Robert and Renee Belfer Professor of International Affairs at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University while Professor Steve Smith is President, UK Universities, as well as Vice Chancellor of the University of Exeter.

The School's graduate programmes have drawn students from many countries around the world. To date, students have come from 49 foreign countries: Afghanistan, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Brunei, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, China, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Ghana, the Maldives, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, the Netherlands, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, the

Philippines, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor Leste, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States, Uzbekistan and Vietnam. The success of these programmes is reflected in the increasing numbers of students enrolled over the years. From only 10 students in 1998—all Singaporeans—the student enrolment in the 2009/2010 Academic Year is 184. RSIS's role in teaching was enhanced when IDSS took in its first doctoral student in 2003/2004. The doctoral programme, which started in 2003, graduated its first Ph.D. candidate in 2006. It presently has 14 students.

RSIS faculty members teach geopolitics and regional security in various officer courses at SAFTI Military Institute, the Home Team Academy, the Civil Defence Academy and the Civil Service College. Faculty involvement in SAFTI's Command and Staff Course reached a new milestone in 2009, as courses conducted there can now be fully accredited towards NTU's Master of Science degree programmes conducted by the College of Engineering, Nanyang Business School and RSIS. RSIS's International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR), which was inaugurated on 20 February 2004, has also conducted courses on terrorism for officers of these ministries.



Mr. Muhammad Haniff Bin Hassan of the ICPVTR giving a talk at the Workshop on Terrorist Rehabilitation, 25–30 November 2009



Participants of the WTO-TFCTN Parliamentarian Workshop held on 9–12 June 2009

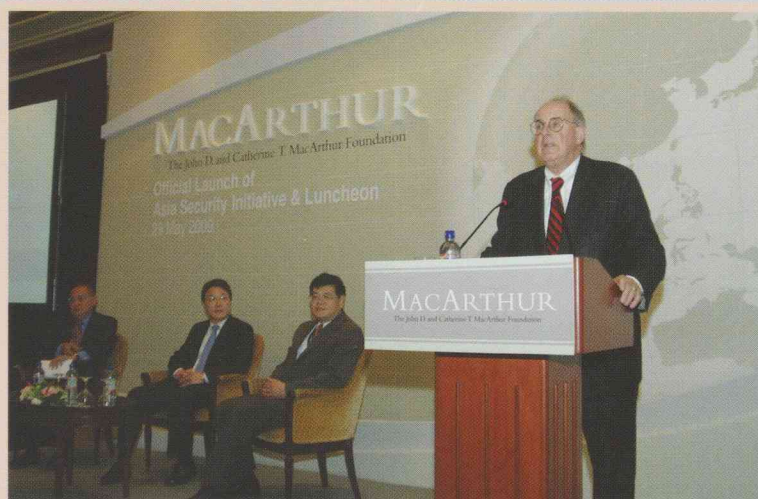
Faculty and research staff of RSIS are also actively involved in research on issues related to security and stability in the Asia Pacific and their implications for Singapore. Besides IDSS and ICPVTR, the School's research structure includes the Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) and the Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies (Centre for NTS Studies), both of which host several programmes. CENS was inaugurated on 29 March 2006 while the Centre for NTS Studies was launched on 6 May 2008. RSIS's structure also includes the Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations (TFCTN), which was launched on 16 October 2008. TFCTN's main focus is on capacity-building programmes in global and regional trade negotiations for mid-career officials from the Asian region.

The research agenda of the School includes terrorism, maritime security, homeland security, non-traditional security, contemporary Islam, civil and internal conflicts, multilateralism and regionalism, international political economy, and energy security. Research findings are shared with those involved in security, diplomacy and business by way of articles in refereed journals and the School's monograph series, working papers, policy papers, commentaries and other publications. RSIS emphasizes on analyses acces-

sible to the policy and business communities in addition to publications for an academic audience.

The School has a growing number of sponsors. Those that have contributed grants to support the activities of the School and its predecessor, or to their respective endowment funds, include the following:

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Mr. Jonathan Fanton, President of the MacArthur Foundation speaking at the official launch of the Foundation's Asia Security Initiative on 29 May 2009

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RSIS hosts many local and foreign scholars under its Visiting Research Fellows Programme. The presence of such scholars enriches the intellectual milieu of the School and provides many opportunities through informal seminars for the faculty and research staff to acquire additional perspectives and insights.

RSIS is a non-profit organization. Besides the sponsors listed above, other major sources of funds include the Ministry of Defence, the Ministry of Home Affairs and the National Security Coordination Secretariat, which utilize RSIS's teaching and consultancy services; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which supports CSCAP and other Track II activities, as well as the School's teaching programmes, including executive education programmes. Earnings from the IDSS Endowment Fund are used to support the Institute's programmes.

When RSIS was inaugurated on 1 January 2007, a campaign to raise \$40 million (including dollar-for-dollar matching grants from the government) for the RSIS Endowment Fund was initiated. Led by Mr. S. Chandra Das, Chairman of NUR Investment and Trading Pte Ltd and Singapore's non-resident ambassador to Turkey, the Fund Raising Campaign Committee achieved the target, and the RSIS Endowment Fund was launched on 31 March 2008. Income from this endowment will be used to engage world-class faculty and research staff, and award scholarships to talented

students. This will provide students with a wider choice of courses, higher levels of excellence in teaching and increased research support.

The RSIS Endowment Fund includes provisions for two professorships that were established from donations by the Ngee Ann Kongsi and the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC), together with government matching grants. These are the NTUC Professorship in International Economic Relations and the Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in International Relations.

RSIS employs more than 140 personnel today (including 18 who are part-time research analysts.) It has, beginning with its predecessor, IDSS, achieved a track record out of proportion to its youth and size. It has come a long way in establishing itself as a centre for teaching and research, and as one of the key nodes in the global network of think tanks.

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RSIS staff members
at the annual staff
dinner held at
Singapore Cricket
Club on 19 January
2009



Endowed Professorships at RSIS

RSIS has three endowed professorships that were established to enable it to engage renowned scholars in their respective fields to participate in the School's research and teaching activities, and to share their knowledge with the wider community through public lectures and seminars:

- ❖ S. Rajaratnam Professorship in Strategic Studies
- ❖ National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) Professorship in International Economic Relations
- ❖ Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in International Relations

S. RAJARATNAM PROFESSORSHIP IN STRATEGIC STUDIES

The S. Rajaratnam Professorship in Strategic Studies at RSIS was inaugurated on 31 August 1998 to enable the School to invite distinguished scholars in strategic studies and related fields to participate in its activities. The professorship was established in honour of Mr. Sinnathamby Rajaratnam for his distinguished services to the nation.

Mr. Rajaratnam, born in 1915, was elected Member of Parliament for Kampung Glam in 1959 and continued to represent the constituency until his retirement in 1988. He became the Minister for Culture in 1959, the Minister for Foreign Affairs in 1965 and, while in the latter capacity, took on a second portfolio as the Minister for Labour from 1968 to 1971. He became Second Deputy Prime Minister (Foreign Affairs) in 1980, after



Mr. S. Rajaratnam

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Professor Bruce Hoffman, RSIS's S. Rajaratnam Professor of Strategic Studies from 27 July to 12 August 2009



which he was appointed Senior Minister until his retirement. He passed away in 2006.

The S. Rajaratnam Professorship in Strategic Studies is made possible by a \$2.6 million fund (excluding a matching grant from the Singapore Government) raised by the Fund Raising Committee chaired by Mr. S. Chandra Das, Member of Parliament for Cheng San Group Representative Constituency from 1980 to 1996.

The S. Rajaratnam chair in Strategic Studies at RSIS will be held in perpetuity. Income generated from the invested endowment funds is used to invite internationally renowned scholars to teach and to research at the School. The S. Rajaratnam Professorship thus enables RSIS to increase its international linkages as well as benefit from the knowledge, experience and wisdom of eminent scholars appointed to the chair.

The scholar appointed to the prestigious S. Rajaratnam chair in the period reviewed was Professor Bruce Hoffman of Georgetown University, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, from 27 July to 12 August 2009.

The following scholars have held this chair previously:

- ❖ Professor Stephen M. Walt, Evron and Jeane Kirkpatrick Professor of International Affairs at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, in January 2000
- ❖ Professor Jack L. Snyder, Robert and R  nee Belfer Professor of International Relations at the Institute of War and Peace Studies, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, from July to August 2001
- ❖ Professor Wang Jisi, Director of the Institute of American Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, on 21–25 February and on 2–8 March 2002.
- ❖ Professor Alastair Iain Johnston, the Governor James Albert Noe and Linda Noe Laine Professor of China in World Affairs in the Government Department at Harvard University, from 24 February to 24 August 2003
- ❖ Professor John J. Mearsheimer, the R. Wendell Harrison Distinguished Service Professor and Co-director of the Program on International Security Policy at the University of Chicago, in August 2004

- ❖ Professor C. Raja Mohan, Professor of South Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, in August 2005
- ❖ Professor Rosemary Foot, Professor of International Relations and the John Swire Senior Research Fellow at St. Antony's College, University of Oxford, from 2 August to 15 November 2006
- ❖ Professor Richard K. Betts, Arnold A. Saltzman Professor of War and Peace Studies, Columbia University, from 1 to 22 August 2007
- ❖ Professor Neil MacFarlane, Lester B. Pearson Professor of International Relations and Head of Department, Department of Politics and International Relations, and Fellow, St. Anne's College, University of Oxford, from 27 July to 16 August 2008

Looking ahead, the next S. Rajaratnam Professor at RSIS will be Professor Peter Katzenstein, currently the Walter S. Carpenter, Jr. Professor of International Studies, at the Department of Government, Cornell University. Professor Katzenstein will hold the chair from 1 to 15 January 2010.

NATIONAL TRADES UNION CONGRESS (NTUC) PROFESSORSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS

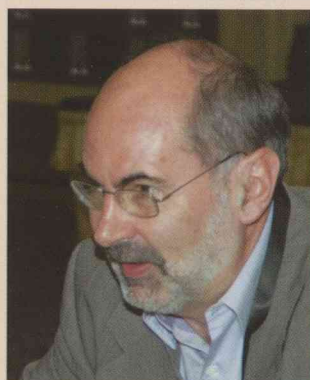
In 2007, the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) raised a total of \$2.5 million, which, with additional funding from the Singapore Government and other sources, enabled RSIS to establish an endowed chair known as the NTUC Professorship in International Economic Relations. Set up in 1961, the NTUC is the national federation of trade unions in Singapore whose basic aim is to safeguard and enhance the interests of workers.



Income from the endowment will enable RSIS to appoint an NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations to provide leadership for the School's International Political Economy Programme. As such, besides possessing strong academic credentials, the holder of the chair will have policy experience working in multilateral institutions such as the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Asia Development Bank and the World Trade Organization, as well as in government ministries responsible for policy formulation in international trade, investments and

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Professor Vinod Aggarwal (left), RSIS's NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations from 1–28 March 2009, and Professor John Ravenhill (right), NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations from 12 November 2009 to 31 May 2010



finance. He or she will also be familiar with increasingly important entities such as hedge funds, private equities, petrodollars and sovereign wealth funds.

The first scholar to hold this prestigious chair was Professor Vinod K. Aggarwal, the Director of the Berkeley APEC Study Center at the University of California, Berkeley. Professor Aggarwal was at RSIS for the month of March 2009. The second scholar to be appointed as the NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations was Professor John Ravenhill of the Department of International Relations, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University. Professor Ravenhill held the chair from 12 November 2009 to 31 May 2010. A scholar to lead RSIS's International Political Economy Programme will be appointed when there is sufficient income from the endowment.

NGEE ANN KONGSI PROFESSORSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in International Relations was established on 27 November 2007 through a donation of \$3 million from Ngee Ann Kongsi and a matching grant from the Singapore Government. Income from the endowment will be used to engage renowned scholars in international relations to teach and to research at RSIS.

Ngee Ann Kongsi has a long history of promoting education in Singapore and Nanyang Technological University has benefited from its many generous donations. The University's association with Ngee Ann

Kongsi began in the 1990s when the *kongsi* donated \$1 million to the Chinese Heritage Centre located in the University. In 2005, Ngee Ann Kongsi also donated \$1.5 million to set up the Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in



Traditional Chinese Medicine to help build up the University's expertise in traditional Chinese medicine. Besides these, it has also awarded many scholarships and bursaries to students at NTU over the years.

The first scholar to hold this prestigious chair was Professor Zhang Yunling, Professor of International Economics and Director of the Division of International Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. He was at RSIS from 26 October to 7 November 2008. The next scholar to hold this chair will be Professor Sumit Ganguly. Professor Ganguly is the Tagore Professor in the Department of Political Science at Indiana University. He will be at RSIS from 1 February to 31 May 2010.

Visiting Scholars

Visiting scholars play an important role in the School's research agenda. Besides scholars appointed to the School's endowed professorships, RSIS also has a Visiting Programme to enable local and overseas scholars to do research at the School for periods varying from one month to a year. Visiting scholars contribute to the intellectual life in RSIS by providing faculty and research staff with additional perspectives and insights through informal exchanges at in-house seminars.

Visiting scholars who spent time at RSIS in 2009

Dr. Ahmad Fauzi bin Abdul Hamid
Senior Lecturer in Politics, School of Distance Education, Universiti Sains Malaysia
Visiting Fellow in the Contemporary Islam Programme
4 September 2008 – 31 January 2009

Professor Vinod Kumar Aggarwal
Professor in the Department of Political Science, Affiliated Professor of Business and Public Policy, Haas School of Business
Director of Berkeley Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Study Center, University of California
NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations
1 March – 28 March 2009

Dr. Ami Marie Angell
Ph.D. candidate in International Law, American University of London
Visiting Research Fellow in the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research
12 August 2009 – 11 February 2010

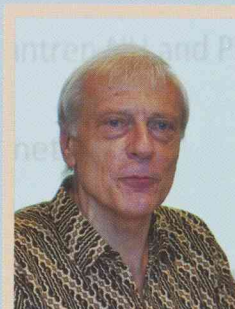
Dr. Sam Bateman
Professorial Research Fellow, Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, University of Wollongong
Visiting Senior Fellow and Adviser to the Maritime Security Programme
22 March – 7 August 2009



Professor Paul Bolt

Professor Paul Bolt
Professor, United States Air Force Academy
Visiting Senior Fellow
9 November 2009 – 8 June 2010

Professor Martin van Bruinessen
Professor, Utrecht University, Arabic and Islamic Studies
Visiting Research Fellow in the Contemporary Islam Programme
 7 October 2009 – 6 January 2010



Professor Martin van Bruinessen

Dr. Gerard Chaliand
Former Director of the European Center for the Study of Conflicts (Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique), Paris
Visiting Professor
 11 September – 10 October 2009

Professor Chung Chong Wook
Visiting Professor of International Studies, Seoul National University
Visiting Professor
 3 August 2009 – 30 May 2010

Dr. Lorraine Elliot
Senior Fellow, Department of International Relations, Australian National University
Visiting Senior Fellow
 6 November 2009 – 31 July 2010

Ms. Nadine Godehardt
Research Fellow, Giga German Institute of Global and Area Studies
Visiting Scholar in the China Programme
 1 June – 31 August 2009

Dr. Noorhaidi Hasan
Lecturer, State Islamic University of Yogyakarta
Visiting Research Fellow in the Contemporary Islam Programme
 4 February – 31 July 2009

Professor Bruce Hoffman
Professor, Georgetown University, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service
S. Rajaratnam Professor of Strategic Studies
 27 July – 12 August 2009

Mr. Loro Horta
Timor Leste
Visiting Fellow
 1 August – 31 December 2009



Professor Chung Chong Wook (left) and Dr. Lorraine Elliot (right)

Professor Kim Young Ho
Associate Professor, Korea National Defense University
Visiting Research Fellow
28 July 2008 – 17 July 2009

Ms. Martina Klimesova
Ph.D. candidate in International Relations, Charles University in Prague
Visiting Research Associate in the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research
22 June – 8 September 2009

Mr. Rusdi Marpaung
Managing Director, Imparsial Office
Visiting Fellow in the Indonesia Programme
8 June – 4 September 2009

Mr. Deepak Nair
Research Associate, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies
Visiting Fellow in the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme
1 November – 31 December 2009

Mr. Taberez Ahmed Neyazi
Visiting Fellow in the South Asia Programme
1 December 2009 – 22 January 2010

Dr. Ben O'Loughlin
Lecturer, Department of Politics and International Relations, Royal Holloway, University of London
Visiting Scholar in the Centre of Excellence for National Security
22 September – 21 December 2009

Dr. Mary Ann Palma
Research Fellow, Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security
Visiting Fellow in the Maritime Security Programme
2 April – 30 June 2009

Dr. Paleri Prabhakaran
Visiting Senior Fellow in the Maritime Security Programme
31 December 2008 – 30 March 2009

Professor John Ravenhill
Professor, Department of International Relations, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University
Visiting Professor and Adviser in the International Political Economy Programme; and NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations
12 November 2009 – 31 May 2010

Commodore (Retd) Ashok Sawhney
Visiting Fellow in the South Asia Programme
 14 December 2009 – 13 March 2010

Dr. William Clark Thomas
Fulbright Scholar and Military Officer, United States Air Force
Visiting Senior Fellow
 10 November 2008 – 27 February 2009

Professor Geoffrey Till
Director, Corbett Centre for Maritime Policy Studies, King's College, London
Visiting Professor
 9 November 2009 – 8 February 2010

Professor Stephen M. Walt
Robert and Renee Professor of International Affairs, Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
IDSS External Consultant
 23 March – 27 March 2009

Dr. Thomas Wilkins
Lecturer, Centre for International Security Studies, The University of Sydney
Visiting Fellow
 15 November 2009 – 14 February 2010

Professor Zha Daojiong
Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University
Visiting Research Fellow in the Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies
 15 June – 6 August 2009

Mr. Zhai Kun
Director for Institute of Southeast and South Asia Studies, China Institute of Contemporary International Relations
Visiting Fellow in the China Programme
 2 June – 25 August 2009

Dr. Zhou Piqui
Colonel, National Defense University of PLA
Visiting Fellow in the China Programme
 6 July – 5 October 2009

Mr. Justin Michael Zorn
Master's Student, Co-founder of Banaa.org
Visiting Fulbright Scholar for the Centre of Excellence for National Security
 18 December 2008 – 24 May 2009



Professor Zha
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Research at RSIS

RSIS faculty and researchers conduct both academic and policy-oriented research on international and security issues that affect Southeast Asia and the Asia-Pacific regions, in the context of major developments and shifts in the international system. Research is organized under four broad categories:

- ❖ Asia-Pacific Security
- ❖ Conflict and Non-Traditional Security
- ❖ International Political Economy
- ❖ Country and Area Studies

The research areas under each category are reflected in the following table while the research programmes related to these areas are described further below.

Asia-Pacific Security	Conflict and Non-Traditional Security	International Political Economy	Country and Area Studies
Multilateral Security	Political Violence and Terrorism	Finance	China
Military Transformations	Homeland Security	Trade	Indonesia
Maritime Security	Non-Traditional Security	Economic Development	Malaysia
	Negotiations		South Asia
	Contemporary Islam		United States
	Civil and Internal Conflicts		

ASIA-PACIFIC SECURITY

Multilateralism and Regionalism

The Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, is coordinated by Associate Professor Ralf Emmers. Its academic and policy-relevant research on multilateralism and regionalism in the Asia Pacific has achieved international renown. The programme has received generous funding from international foundations such as the Sasakawa Peace Foundation of Japan and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation of Germany.

In 2009, the Multilateralism and Regional Programme received US\$300,000 out of a total grant of US\$2.5 million that was awarded to RSIS by The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. The grant was awarded to RSIS in support of its role as an Asian Security Initiative core institution. The funding, for a period of three years, is part of a US\$68 million Asia Security Initiative by the MacArthur Foundation to develop new ideas to address Asia's security challenges. The initiative focuses on three themes: strengthening regional cooperation, preventing conflict in Northeast Asia, and building international cooperation to respond to internal challenges.

The programme at RSIS has been invited, in particular, to concentrate on managing state-to-state competition and cooperation/regional security cooperation. The research project studies multilateral security in Asia, with a focus on the role of ASEAN. The primary research question is: "What is the function and relevance of ASEAN in Asia's emerging institutional security landscape?" This question has direct implications for the future of the ASEAN Security Community, the relevance of the ASEAN cooperative model to wider regional arrangements (ASEAN Regional Forum, ASEAN Plus Three, East Asia Summit) and, finally, for the further institutionalization of great power relations within these multilateral structures. To that end, the thematic focus of the research project is ASEAN's role in institutional developments in Southeast Asia, multilateralism and security cooperation in Asia, as well as in the institutionalization of great power relations.

In 2009, the research output of the programme included edited volumes on regionalism in Asia; Asian security and emerging strategic trends in Southeast Asia; a monograph on functional regionalism and the security of East Asia; a roundtable report on Asian security; as well as numerous journal articles, book chapters, working papers, op-ed pieces and commentaries.

There were considerable networking activities, including the organization of two conferences, various seminars and public lectures, as well as numerous briefings and discussions with visiting delegations and project teams. Programme staff and associates also presented papers at various academic as well as policy-related conferences, workshops and roundtables, both within and beyond Singapore. Among these, the annual Sentosa Roundtable on Asian Security and the RSIS-MacArthur Workshop on Regional Security Cooperation entitled "Building Institutional

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Dr. Ralf Emmers,
Head of RSIS's
Multilateralism
and Regionalism
Programme, speaking
at the RSIS-MacArthur
Foundation
workshop on
"Building Institutional
Coherence in Asia's
Security Architecture:
The Role of ASEAN",
24–25 November
2009



Coherence in Asia's Security Architecture – The Role of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)" is noteworthy.

In addition to conferences and seminars, the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme also organizes policy roundtables that bring together researchers and a broad representation from the regional policy and civil

society communities. The objectives of such roundtables are to disseminate research findings and their policy implications, as well as to facilitate regional dialogue and debate in response to our research.

The programme also provides opportunities to researchers working on multilateral security in Asia to spend two to three months in Singapore. The research fellowships are open to researchers, members of NGOs and the media, as well as policymakers from across the region, but not exclusively from Asia. In 2009, the programme hosted Mr. Deepak Nair and Dr. Thomas Stow Wilkins as visiting researchers working on Asian multilateralism and regionalism.

The Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme aspires to become a leading research hub for academic and policy research in multilateralism and regionalism in the Asia-Pacific region.

Military Transformations / Military Studies

The Military Transformations and Military Studies Programmes at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, experienced significant expansion in 2009, with the addition of one faculty member and three Associate Research Fellows. As a consequence, the two programmes have significantly expanded their research agenda, where they can now boast specializations in defence diplomacy, international law pertaining to armed conflict, defence economics and industrialization, low-intensity conflicts and the so-called "operations other than war", and military sociology, along with the more traditional emphasis on strategic theory and military history.

In 2009, the research outputs for both programmes included two edited volumes (one co-edited by Professor Wang Gung Wu, Chairman of East Asia Institute), a single-authored book by Senior Fellow Richard Bitzinger, and 13 refereed journal articles and edited volume chapters. In addition to these completed research projects, the programmes maintain several on-going research projects comprising two doctoral dissertations, due for completion in 2010; three single-authored book projects, the earliest of which is expected to be completed in 2011; and two conference/workshop projects, scheduled for 2010. The two programmes have also begun work exploring new media for the dissemination of its research outputs, focusing in particular on web-based applications to begin to reach out to a wider audience.

In the area of networking, the staff of the two programmes participated in a number of international conferences, workshops and seminars, ranging from humanitarian operations, counterinsurgency and Chinese defence industry modernization. In addition, they continued to explore collaborative efforts with various think tanks and research institutes in Sweden. The two programmes also continued to assist the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies in the flagship annual conference, the



Speakers and participants of the 11th Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers held on 3–10 August 2009

Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO), by being the resource persons in identifying speakers for the forum. This enabled APPSMO to remain focused on issues and topics of direct relevance to military organizations and to the participating military officers.

Finally, in the realm of military education, the Military Transformations and Military Studies Programmes have expanded the scope of their work with the SAFTI Military Institute's constituent schools. A Continuing Education Programme initiated by the SAF was launched in 2009, which allowed components of the Command and Staff Course syllabus to be accreditable to various Master of Science programmes in NTU. For 2009, the Security Studies and Campaigning and War Studies modules in the Command and Staff Course were jointly taught with SAFTI Military Institute's Military Studies Branch. From 2010 onwards, however, both courses will be taught exclusively by RSIS faculty, with staff from the two programmes in the lead. Work also began on an undergraduate military studies course, to be conducted as part of the Continuing Education Programme in NTU. This course will be launched in 2010.

Associate Professor Bernard Loo coordinates both the Military Transformations Programme and the Military Studies Programme.

Maritime Security

LTC Joshua Ho coordinates the Maritime Security Programme at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS. Research in maritime security started in 2004 following concerns over the security of ports and sea lanes. Due to this concern, the programme has maintained a research focus on piracy, armed robbery, maritime terrorism and the security of sea lanes. The programme has also attempted to cover the spectrum of maritime security issues, both traditional and non-traditional, and to adopt a comprehensive and integrated approach.

Over the last year, the programme co-organized three major conferences with both governmental and international organizations. These conferences include the inaugural ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre (ISC) Piracy and Armed Robbery Conference held on 22 April 2009 during Singapore Maritime Week 2009; the inaugural International Maritime Security Conference (IMSC) co-organized with the Republic of Singapore Navy in conjunction with the 7th IMDEX Asia 09, on 13–14 May 2009; and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Workshop



The inaugural ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre's Piracy and Armed Robbery Conference held on 22 April 2009

for ASEAN States on “Strengthening the Legal Regime Against Terrorism” on 9–10 June 2009.

In terms of research output, programme staff completed book chapters in eight edited volumes. The programme also finished two edited volumes based on conferences held in previous years, namely, *Security and International Politics in the South China Sea: Towards a Cooperative Management Regime* and *Realising Safe and Secure Seas for All*. The Programme staff also had articles accepted by journals such as the *The Australian Journal of Maritime and Ocean Affairs*, *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, *Marine Policy*, *Ocean Development and International Law* and the *Economics of Peace and Security Journal*. The programme also produced an RSIS Policy Paper on *Good Order at Sea in Southeast Asia* in 2009, contributed actively to RSIS's Commentary and Working Paper series, and produced a monthly news bulletin, *Horizons*, and a quarterly review of maritime affairs, *Nimbus*.

The programme also participated actively in major conferences and seminars in the region and beyond. These include those organized by Harvard University; Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies (RUSI); the University of Tokyo; Malaysia's Wisma Putra; the China Foundation for International and Strategic Studies (CFISS); and the U.S. Naval War College.

In addition, members of the programme conducted briefings for the New Zealand External Assessment Bureau; the Director, Asia Division,

International Assessment Staff, Government of Canada; the East-West Centre; the Singapore Armed Forces Joint Research Division; the U.S. National Defense University; the National Maritime Foundation, New Delhi; the Vietnamese People's Army; the Australian Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies; Office of Naval Assessments, Australia; and the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, Australian National University. Members of the programme also participated in Track I conferences like the 1st ARF Inter-Sessional Meeting on Maritime Security in Surabaya; the 34th Tripartite Technical Experts Group (TTEG) in Singapore; and the 2nd Cooperation Forum of the Cooperative Mechanism (CM) in Singapore. The programme also participated in an annual bilateral event with the National Maritime Foundation, New Delhi.

For 2010, the programme will be organizing a conference on "Maritime Challenges and Priorities in Asia" in January and continue with its bilateral meeting with the National Maritime Foundation, New Delhi, which will be held in Singapore. Following the good response to the inaugural ReCAAP ISC Conference, the programme is expected to co-organize the event again in 2010 to coincide with Singapore Maritime Week. The programme is also expected to finish a survey report on the "Attitudes to Maritime Risk in Asia".

CONFLICT AND NON-TRADITIONAL SECURITY

Political Violence and Terrorism

Now in its fifth year, the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR), headed by Professor Rohan Gunaratna, has grown to become one of the largest counter-terrorism research, education and training centres in the world. With 39 staff from nine countries, the centre continues to build itself into an international outfit devoted to policy-relevant analysis. Its high international standing is evidenced by the fact that more than 90 briefings were given to visitors from other governments, the security and intelligence community, academia and the private sector. Prominent visitors to the centre included Sir Ian Blair, former Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, United Kingdom; Sir Michael Chertoff, former Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, United States; Mr. Chad Sweet, former Chief of Staff of the De-

partment of Homeland Security, United States; Mr. Juan Zarate, former Deputy National Security Adviser to the President for Combating Terrorism and Senior Advisor to the Centre for Strategic and International Studies, United States; and Mr. Jeremy Fleming, Director on the Executive Board of the Office for Security and Counter Terrorism, United Kingdom. The centre also played host to numerous visiting fellows, researchers and interns from countries including the United States, Australia, Sweden and Pakistan.

The inaugural International Conference on Terrorist Rehabilitation (ICTR) was held in Singapore on 24–26 February 2009. Organized by the ICPVTR and the Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG), this conference hosted 200 participants from 22 different countries. Distinguished international panels of speakers comprising security specialists, psychologists and counsellors active in both research as well as the operational process of rehabilitating extremists and terrorists were invited to share their expertise. In conjunction with the ICTR, the Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs, Mr. K. Shanmugan, launched *p4peace.com* on 24 February 2009. As an interactive website aimed at building a professional network among counter-terrorism academics and practitioners, this web portal brings together the brightest minds in the field to share past successes as well as failures. It is intended to help fill the gaps in knowledge regarding the ideological struggle between terrorists, extremist groups and counter-terrorism practitioners and policymakers.

In 2009, the ICPVTR held its third international workshop on “Coun-



Dean Barry Desker welcoming the participants of the inaugural International Conference on Terrorist Rehabilitation held on 24–26 February 2009. On his left is Professor Rohan Gunaratna, Head of the ICPVTR

tering the Financing of Terrorism (CFT)” in Tashkent, Uzbekistan on 14–16 January 2009 at the invitation of the Government of Uzbekistan and under the banner of the Consortium for Countering the Financing of Terrorism (CCFT). The workshop aimed to strengthen the counter terrorist finance capacity of both the government and the private sector. A similar workshop was also held on 23–24 September 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand. The workshop was organized by the CCFT in cooperation with the Anti-Money Laundering Office (AMLO) of Thailand with the support of World-Check.

On 5 March 2009, the annual one-day seminar on “Countering the Financing of Terrorism” was co-hosted by the Association of Banks in Singapore (ABS), the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies and the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). The seminar, supported by the CCFT, drew more than 320 invitees and delegates representing law enforcement agencies, other government agencies, financial regulatory bodies, the financial sector, foreign dignitaries and academia. Themed as “Building Capacity and Understanding the Obstacles”, the seminar aimed to continue heightening awareness and to draw participation for all sectors at risk of security threats.

The ICPVTR has continued with its capacity-building projects in Singapore and in the region. The 2nd International Terrorism Analyst Training Course was held from 2 to 13 February 2009. This two-week

Participants of the ICPVTR's 2nd International Terrorism Analyst Training Course held from 2 to 13 February 2009



international training course included participants from northern Iraq and Indonesia. The course also included lecturers from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Naval Criminal Investigative Service and the U.S. Special Operations Command (Pacific).

In 2009, the ICPVTR launched a new research cluster covering the response to terrorism in seven sectors: Hospitality, Energy and Nuclear, Food and Agriculture, Transportation, Iconic, CBRN, and Cyber. In addition to the weekly global summary of critical issues in each of these areas, the team currently develops more detailed sector reports and wider strategic analysis and research.

ICPVTR also launched a new publication in September called Counter Terrorism Trends and Analysis (CTTA). The monthly publication provides all the ICPVTR teams with the opportunity to offer insight on trends and other issues that are emerging in their particular areas of research. The inaugural issue focused on threats to the Hospitality Industry and was a culmination of an extended historical analysis on attacks against the industry since the late 1960s.

During the year under review, the ICPVTR continued to build on the signature Global Pathfinder II Database. This signature database is designed to be a counter-terrorism data warehouse with rich functional interfaces that allow users to navigate through the system with ease. This database has become an invaluable tool for frontline agencies involved in reducing the threat of terrorism and extremism. The ICPVTR also initiated a database for extremist publications of security interest. Known as VIPER, this database aims to be the first of its kind to identify and analyse extremist publications. It aims to serve as a key database for government and law enforcement personnel, members from the media, and educational and religious institutions. It enables them to utilize the listings as a guide to prevent terrorist and extremist propaganda from permeating their societies.

In its strategic counter-terrorism efforts, the ICPVTR continued to build on responses in the ideological, educational, legislative, financial, developmental and media. Its significant work in strategic counter terrorism includes the expansion of the Counter Terrorism Journalist Programme. The ICPVTR conducted a training course on terrorism and extremism in the region for journalists from the Berita Harian in July 2009. The training programme aimed to further initiatives with the media to counter the threat of terrorism and extremism.

The ICPVTR's research has often been cited in Singapore and overseas for its efforts to promote greater awareness to global threats. In 2009, the centre continued its commitment to cutting-edge field research. Its staff conducted research in various countries, including the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) of Pakistan, Kabul, Bangladesh, Indonesia, southern Thailand and southern Philippines. ICPVTR staff have briefed governments, ministries and the hotel industry following their study of the bomb attacks on the JW Marriott Hotel and the Ritz Carlton in Indonesia on 17 July 2009.

ICPVTR has developed a strategic partnership with Globalincidents.com, a website that covers terrorist and related threat incidents on a global scale. The website has a client base of over 600 primarily American military and law enforcement bodies.

In counter-terrorism networking, ICPVTR staff continue to build on its extensive and growing networks while responding to issues including counter terrorism, radicalization and community resilience in Europe and North America. ICPVTR staff expanded the regional networks in Asia and visited several ministries and government agencies including the Minister of Home Affairs, Bangladesh, the National Security Advisor, Philippines, and Commander Kopassus, Indonesia.

Homeland Security

2009 was a busy year for the Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS). It began fruitfully with the "Food Defence Workshop" organized by CENS on 16 February. The workshop looked at the issue of intentional and malicious contamination of the food supply chain. It brought together a mix of international practitioners and academics to share both current research efforts as well as the different policy approaches various countries take on the issue. A report by Gregory Dalziel (a CENS Associate Research Fellow) examining malicious contamination of the food supply chain was published in conjunction with the workshop. Titled *Food Defence Incidents 1950–2008: A Chronology and Analysis of Incidents Involving the Malicious Contamination of the Food Supply Chain*, the report received favourable local and international attention.

CENS also organized "The Nation: Narratives and Community Workshop", which was held on 2 March. The workshop addressed the complex nature of the nation and its narratives in a two-fold manner. First, it fleshed

out the relationship between state narratives and counter narratives. Second, by embracing narratives essentially as a manner of communication, the workshop offered a critical examination of the narrative dissonances in the state-citizen relationship that is expressed and asserted via various mediums.

Also convened during the year was CENS flagship annual event—the 3rd Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO 09). Held on 12–17 April 2009, APPSNO 09 allowed the participants, both local and those who hail from the Asia Pacific and beyond, to analyse the concept of risk in various national security contexts. The distinguished speakers included Bruce Schneier, Chief Security Technology Office from British Telecom, and Frank Furedi, Professor of Sociology from the University of Kent, United Kingdom. In the second phase of APPSNO 09, which was opened only to the local participants, Associate Professor Kumar Ramakrishna, the Head of CENS, chaired dialogue sessions between them and Mr. Peter Ho, the Head of Civil Service; Mr. Benny Lim, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Home Affairs; and BG Gary Ang, Deputy Secretary (Policy) of the Ministry of Defence.



Dr. Kumar Ramakrishna, Head of CENS, speaking at the Food Defence Workshop held on 16 February 2009



Mr. Peter Ho, Head of the Civil Service and Permanent Secretary (National Security and Intelligence Coordination) addressing CENS's 3rd APPSNO held on 12–17 April 2009

On 13–16 September 2009, CENS and the Global Futures Forum (GFF), a multinational network funded by the U.S. State Department, held a joint conference in partnership with the National Security Coordination Secretariat (NSCS) titled “International Conference on Emerging and Disruptive Technologies”. This conference explored the impact of dual technologies, information and computing technologies on national security. Scientists, engineers and policymakers from different government organizations were invited to gain a better understanding of how adversaries (state or non-state) could exploit the development of emerging technologies and innovations that may have national security threat implications. Scientists and engineers delivered talks on developments in dual technologies including nanotechnology, biotechnology, information technology, cognitive technology and information and computing technologies, while experts from various disciplines spoke on the threat and the policy implications flowing from these technologies.

A workshop on “Therapy Culture Revisited: The Impact of the Language of Therapy on Public Policy and Societal Resilience” was held on 5–6 October 2009. Organized by CENS in partnership with NSCS, this workshop critically examined the concept of resilience and how it might be undermined when societies are obsessed with therapy. The workshop was central to CENS’s role in exploring both psychological and societal resilience. It brought together renowned psychiatrists and legal professionals such as Arie Shalev and James Nolan who presented current clinical and court findings on the outcome of therapeutic interventions on societies’ ability to recover from shocks.

The CENS-Warwick International Security Initiative workshop on “Radicalization/De-radicalization: Global Lessons Learned” was held on 1–3 November 2009. The workshop was part of a larger three-track, joint conference with Warwick University, which commemorated the launch of the RSIS-Warwick Double Masters Programme. It brought together well-known speakers from Indonesia, the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, Germany, the United Kingdom, the United States and Australia to discuss the process and mechanisms of radicalization as well as evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of existing de-radicalization and counter-radicalization practices.

The year 2009 also saw a number of visitors to CENS. These included:

- Justin Zorn, a Visiting Fulbright Scholar, who is a co-founder of banaa.org

- Dani Arditi, a Distinguished Visiting Fellow, who was until recently the Chairman of the National Security Council and the National Security Affairs Advisor to the Israeli Prime Minister
- Marc Sageman, a Distinguished Visiting Fellow, who is a prominent terrorism expert and author of *Leaderless Jihad*
- Ben O'Loughlin, a visiting scholar from Royal Holloway, University of London

On the international networking front, CENS represented Singapore in a meeting of the GFF Steering Group in Washington, D.C., on 25 February 2009. Acknowledging its traditional focus on Europe and the Atlantic relationship, GFF is now keen to move into Asia as well, and the Steering Group meeting explored the details of Singapore being the venue for the first-ever GFF General Meeting in Asia in 2010. This would be a big event bringing together 300–400 members of intelligence and security communities. CENS is currently in the process of organizing the meeting, which will be held in September 2010 under the theme “Building Resilience in the Face of Future Shocks”.

CENS staff members were also active on the publication front. Books published included Kumar Ramakrishna's *Radical Pathways: Understanding Muslim Radicalization in Indonesia*, by the U.S.-based Praeger Security International Academic, and Norman Vasu's *How Diasporic Peoples Maintain their Identity in Multicultural Societies: Chinese, Africans, and Jews*, by New York-based Edwin Mellen Press. Ng Sue Chia published an RSIS monograph *Threads of Gold: The Rise of Indochinese Enterprises in Terengganu*, which explored the concept of national identity, the role of religion and the interplay of political-economic factors in the assimilation of Cham refugees into mainstream Malaysian society. In addition, staff members also published working papers, commentaries and newspaper op-eds.

Last but not least, members of the CENS team maintained a distinct public profile locally and internationally throughout 2009. Besides media interviews, staff members spoke at many international conferences overseas, including in Brazil, Bahrain, Timor-Leste, Indonesia, Malaysia and the United States. Of special significance was Kumar Ramakrishna's participation at the Eighth Biannual Symposium of the Council for Asian Terrorism Research (CATR) in Jakarta on 28–30 April 2009. Ramakrishna spoke on the Indonesian experience with “Cognitive Immunization” as

a tool for counter-radicalization. It was at this meeting that CENS was inducted into the U.S.-led but multinational CATR network of counter-terrorism think tanks while Ramakrishna was appointed to the CATR International Board.

Highlights in the CENS calendar in 2010 include a workshop on “The Political and Social Impact of Rumours”, the 4th APPSNO that will focus on the theme “Mainstreaming Counter-Terrorism”, the GFF General Meeting as well as a workshop on Cyber Security, also with GFF.

Non-Traditional Security

Since its establishment on 6 May 2008, the Centre for Non-Traditional Security (NTS) Studies has seen significant and continuous growth. In the year under review, the centre strengthened its capacity in three major research areas that are of critical concern to the region, namely:

- Pandemics and Global Health Governance
- Climate Change and Human Security
- Energy and Security

The centre also added a fourth programme, Internal and Cross Border Conflicts, to these areas of research besides expanding its research capacity to cover all relevant and current issues under these programmes.

*Representatives of
grantee institutions,
RSIS, Beijing
University and
Tokyo University,
at the launch of
the MacArthur
Foundation's Asia
Security Initiative, 29
May 2009*



In 2009, the centre had also been successful in raising significant research funding, which will be crucial in ensuring that research findings are translated into policy recommendations and policy initiatives meant to address the range of NTS problems facing the Asia-Pacific region. The Centre for NTS Studies is especially proud of the US\$2.2 million that it received under the MacArthur Foundation Asia Security Initiative in 2009. The grant given to the centre was the largest received among the 27 grantee research institutions. It formed the lion's share of the US\$2.5 million grant given to RSIS for research in non-traditional security and regional security cooperation.

The funding, which is for a period of three years, is part of a US\$68 million MacArthur Foundation initiative to develop new ideas to address Asia's security challenges. The initiative focuses on three themes:

- Strengthening regional cooperation
- Preventing conflict in Northeast Asia
- Building international cooperation to respond to internal challenges

The grant will also give the Centre for NTS Studies access to cutting-edge research to respond to challenges that affect both the well-being as well as the security of states and societies in the region. The centre will lead a cluster of seven research institutes and spearhead research on non-traditional security issues facing Asia such as climate change, environment and human security, energy security, and internal conflicts

Associate Professor Mely Caballero-Anthony, the head of the centre, will chart the centre's research direction and development under the Initiative. Dr. Caballero-Anthony, who is also the Secretary-General of the Consortium for Non-Traditional Security Studies in Asia (NTS-Asia) based at RSIS, has done extensive work in various areas of NTS studies and has an international profile in these areas of research. A website that highlights the work of the centre and other cluster members under the Initiative has been established and can be accessed at www.rsis.edu.sg/mnts/mac3.

In 2009, the Centre for NTS Studies also received research contracts worth S\$400,000 from the Ministry of Home Affairs, Singapore, and AUS\$100,000 from the Asia-Pacific Centre for the Responsibility to Protect (R2P Asia-Pacific), based in the University of Queensland, Australia. The funding received enabled the centre to bring in visiting fellows as well as post-doctoral fellows to strengthen the research capacity of the centre and to produce policy papers under the centre's research mandate. It will also

be used to bring in authoritative researchers and specialists to participate in its conferences, hence adding to the quality of its conferences, research output and publications.

Besides securing research funding, the centre also organized several significant conferences and seminars during the year. These included the following:

- “Pandemic Preparedness in Asia”, an international conference organized on 12–13 January
- “Climate Insecurities, Human Security and Social Resilience”, a conference organized under the MacArthur Foundation Asia Security Initiative, on 27–28 August
- “Energy Security in Southeast Asia and Beyond – From Competition to Cooperation? Civil Society’s Stake in Asia and Europe’s Energy Policy”, a conference co-organized with *Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*, the German foundation, on 20–22 October
- “Non-Traditional Security”, a workshop co-organized with the Warwick International Security Initiative at the University of Warwick, on 2 November
- “3rd NTS-Asia Annual Convention”, organized on 3–4 November.

In the area of publications, Dr. Caballero-Anthony has edited an RSIS Monograph on *Pandemic Preparedness in Asia*. The monograph is an especially relevant publication as it is not known when, or where, the next deadly infectious disease will emerge, or how it will spread around the world. It asks pertinent questions such as whether Asian countries are prepared for a pandemic; how national pandemic preparedness plans are to be operationalized at the local level; whether there are critical gaps in current planning; what indicators can accurately determine comprehensive pandemic preparedness frameworks; the roles of different societal actors and how they are defined; and what the prospects of enhancing regional cooperation in preparing for pandemics and other public health emergencies are.

The Centre for NTS Studies has also produced several reports on the conferences that it organized, which are available on its website www.rsis.edu.sg/nts. It also reformatted the *NTS Insight*, a think piece that deals with pertinent

Dr. Mely-Caballero Anthony, Head of the Centre for NTS Studies, speaking at the conference on “Climate Insecurities, Human Insecurity and Social Resilience” held on 27–28 August 2009



NTS issues. The publication is now available in both HTML and PDF versions for simpler downloading by subscribers. The focus of the publication includes subjects like food security, energy security and human security.

The 2009 editions of *NTS Alert*, a fortnightly news bulletin on various NTS themes, covered a broad range of timely NTS issues, including humanitarian emergencies such as responses to natural disasters; human trafficking; implications for human security and regional stability; health security; and various climate change-related issues such as climate refugees; the rush for alternative energy sources such as biofuels and nuclear energy.

The centre also produces the *NTS Bulletin*, another fortnightly compilation of significant NTS issues that had appeared in the press and in reports by major organizations; the latest papers by academics and policymakers; upcoming conferences and the latest books. Both the *NTS Alert* and *NTS Bulletin* are available in both HTML and PDF versions.

Negotiations

The Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations (TFCTN) was formally launched in October 2008, following a generous initial donation from the Temasek Foundation. Headed by Dr. Deborah Elms, it is dedicated to improving the process of international negotiations, with a particular focus on increasing capabilities and access for developing states. The centre uses rigorous empirical research to create new ideas and generate informed debate leading to practical policy alternatives for improving global negotiations on trade and economic issues.

Currently, the centre is focusing its research on the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) talks and the nexus between climate change and international trade. Papers from these projects were delivered at various conferences in 2009 such as the Asia-Pacific Trade Economists' Conference in Bangkok, the RSIS-University of Warwick Workshop in Singapore and the "Trade Agreements: Where Do We Go From



Dr. Deborah Elms, Head of TFCTN, speaking at the workshop on "A New Agenda for a Post-Crisis World", organized by TFCTN and Warwick University's Centre for the Study of Globalization and Regionalization, on 4 November 2009

Here?" workshop at the New Zealand Centre of International Economic Law.

TFCTN regularly invites trade experts to give talks on current issues under the TFCTN Distinguished Guest Speaker Series. Invited guests have included Professor Robert Lawrence of Harvard, Professor Vinod Aggarwal of the University of California, Berkeley, and Dr Razeen Sally of the London School of Economics.

In the area of training, TFCTN conducts two key training programmes each year. The first is a six-week long TFCTN Executive Programme for mid-level government officers. This Executive Programme provides government officials with the practical, interdisciplinary knowledge needed to effectively participate in international trade negotiations. The overall objective of the course is to assist regional states in implementing WTO and FTA agreements domestically through training and to create a greater awareness of the rules of various trading regimes. This will help regional and local officials devise strategies to best meet the challenges of—and benefit from—global trade liberalization and economic integration.

The second training programme of note is a three-day Parliamentarian Workshop that TFCTN runs together with the World Trade Organization (WTO). This three-day workshop brings together members of parliament from across Asia. The workshop is intended to increase the capacity of regional legislators to engage in international trade issues. This includes a deeper understanding of the WTO, current and future negotiating issues in international trade and a sustained focus on the particular concerns of developing states in the process. This is important, as parliamentarians have an important role to play in facilitating trade. Legislators must consider and ratify international agreements as well as ensure domestic implementa-

tion of all agreements reached at the international level. They also serve as a bridge between domestic audiences like business or consumer interests and intergovernmental trade organizations like the WTO.

In addition to the two key training programmes, TFCTN conducts customized training

Mr. Abdullah Bin Tarmugi, the Speaker of Parliament, delivering the Opening Address at the WTO-TFCTN Parliamentarian Workshop held on 10–12 June 2009



programmes for government officials and the business community in Singapore and overseas. The first overseas training programme is scheduled for Cambodia in the first quarter of 2010.

In the area of networking, TFCTN has worked closely with various organizations such as the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Trade and Industry, World Trade Organization, Asian Development Bank, International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development in Geneva, United Arab Emirates Ministry of Foreign Trade, Brunei Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the University of Warwick.

Contemporary Islam

In 2009, the Contemporary Islam Programme at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, collated the research findings of its project "Trends and Trajectories of Islamic Education in Indonesia, Malaysia and Southern Thailand". Examining education institutions across Southeast Asia, with a primary focus on Indonesia, Malaysia and southern Thailand, the project involved in-house researchers, including Dr. Joseph Liow, Dr. Leonard Sebastian, Dr. Farish Noor and Dr. Iqbal Singh Sevea (the Programme Coordinator), and renowned scholars of Islamic education in Southeast Asia such as Dr. Ahmad Fauzi Abdul Hamid and Dr. Noorhaidi Hasan.

The aims of this research project were to provide an overview of the structure, culture and variety of Islamic education institutions in Indonesia, Malaysia and southern Thailand, situating these institutions relative to general, non-religious education; to ascertain the transnational links of Islamic schools in these three contexts, and access the significance of foreign assistance and funding to these institutions; trace the transnational transmission of ideological and curricular influences; examine changes in enrolment trends (both students and instructors) in relation to variations by class and gender; analyse the ways in which Islamic education in these countries had changed in recent years in response to ongoing changes in state, society and international affairs; investigate the content of Islamic education by scrutinizing the curriculum and interrogating key textbooks used in Islamic education institutions; and study the new varieties of Islamic education (e.g. Salafiyah, neo-Salafiyah, Wahhabi, Deobandi and Tablighi), which have appeared on the national scene in recent years and their influence in the region.

By examining both formal and informal channels of religious education, this project makes an important contribution to the understanding of the transmission of Islam in Southeast Asia. Despite the fact that the transmission of Islamic knowledge takes place through a variety of formal and informal institutions, studies on Islamic education have primarily focused on formal institutions. As a result, there is little or no statistical information available on informal religious education. This project has sought to provide such an assessment by studying both formal institutions and a host of informal religious education institutions ranging from neighbourhood associations to mosques to informal study groups known as *halaqahs* (study circles). Further to this, the project has examined if formal and informal religious institutions differ in quality and theological bias.

The outputs of this project include a number of RSIS working papers, reports, academic publications—most notably Dr. Joseph Liow's monograph *Islam, Education and Reform in Southern Thailand: Tradition and Transformation* (Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2009)—and a forthcoming RSIS Monograph entitled *Islamic Education in Malaysia*.

During the year, the Contemporary Islam Programme also launched a major survey project entitled "Survey of Identity, Issues and Opinions of Muslims in Southeast Asia". This project, supervised by Dr. Iqbal Singh Sevea, will survey Muslim public opinion in Indonesia, Malaysia, southern Thailand and the Philippines (specifically Mindanao) on a host of socio-political issues. The project will provide valuable insights into a host of pertinent issues, including how Muslims in Southeast Asia define their identity in relation to their nation and to the *umma* (transnational Islamic community) both at home and abroad; the continuing importance of religious education; the space for Islam and Islamic institutions such as *sharia* (Islamic law) within the state; and Muslim public opinion on controversial issues such as growing islamization of Muslims states in Southeast Asia, interfaith relations, Islamic extremism and the use of political violence, and attitudes towards the West and international political issues. The survey will also provide insights into the primary ideological sources that influence Muslim opinion on theological and socio-political issues. The outputs of this project will include individual reports for each country where surveys were conducted, an integrated report analysing Muslim public opinion in Southeast Asia more generally, and a monograph.

In 2009, the programme also completed a comprehensive research project entitled “The Rising Tide of Islamization in Southeast Asia”. The central aims of the project were to provide an overview of the nature and impact of Islamic resurgence in Southeast Asian countries; examine the different strands of Islam present in the region and their external influences; identify the key political parties and NGOs propounding islamization in Southeast Asia and examine their ideas, messages, and to assess their popularity and prospects against the backdrop of broader political trends; investigate the impact of global developments on Islam in the region; and assess the potential impact of Islamists coming to power in the region.

Besides these projects, programme staff have been pursuing their own research. Dr. Farish Noor is currently writing his book on the Tablighi Jamaat while Dr. Iqbal Singh Sevea is completing a manuscript examining the interaction between Muslim intellectuals in modern South Asia and western political thought. Two books by Dr. Joseph Liow were published in 2009. These are *Islam, Education and Reform in Southern Thailand: Tradition and Transformation* (Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2009) and *Piety and Politics: Islamism in Contemporary Malaysia* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2009). In addition to these, programme staff have published a number of academic articles, commentaries and working papers.

The Contemporary Islam Programme also organized seminars, public lectures and closed-door discussions, which featured leading scholars on Islam such as Dr. Martin van Bruinessen and Dr. Peter Mandaville. The programme also organized a panel entitled “Panel on Civil Society in



Datuk Mustapha Ali (right), Secretary-General of Parti Islam Se-Malaysia, delivered a Distinguished Public Lecture on 5 November 2009. The Lecture was chaired by Dr. Joseph Liow, Associate Dean of RSIS

Malaysia”, which featured a number of scholars working on civil society movements in Malaysia such as Hizbut Tahrir, Tablighi Jamaat and Jamaah Islah Malaysia. The programme, together with the Malaysia Programme, hosted prominent political personalities from Southeast Asia such as Datuk Mustafa Ali, Secretary-General of Parti Islam Se-Malaysia, and Datuk Nur Jazlan Mohamed, Member of Parliament for Pulai, Johor, and active commentator on Malaysian politics.

The programme also brought in important scholars on Islam as Visiting Fellows. These were Dr. Martin van Bruinessen, Dr. Ahmad Fauzi and Dr. Noorhaidi Hasan, who have contributed to the work of the programme and RSIS by giving public lectures and contributing to the RSIS working paper series.

Civil and Internal Conflict

The Civil and Internal Conflict Programme at RSIS’s Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies organized a three-day seminar on Afghanistan for the Ministry of Defence in January 2009. Originally designed to prepare the soldiers deploying to Afghanistan on provincial reconstruction missions, it was later expanded to include policy and intelligence officers from various ministries.

In April, the programme organized a seminar to address the vulnerability of youth to extremism in cyberspace, which marked the launch of a joint RSIS—Australian Strategic Policy Institute’s Special Report on “Countering Internet Radicalization in Southeast Asia”. Results of the research were presented at the 7th ASEAN Regional Forum Inter-Sessional

*Dr. Ho Peng Kee,
Senior Minister of
State for Home
Affairs, the Guest
of Honour at
the launch of
the RSIS-ASPI
special report on
“Countering Internet
Radicalization in
Southeast Asia” held
on 23 April 2009*



Meeting on Counterterrorism and Transnational Crime in Hanoi in May. The programme produced policy backgrounders on Afghanistan and terrorism issues.

Extensive research was also undertaken on the internal conflict in southern Thailand. To that end, a monograph based on extensive fieldwork and interviews with insurgents from both the old and new generations is currently being written by the coordinator, Associate Professor Joseph Liow, and Don Pathan, Visiting Senior Fellow at RSIS. A/P Liow has also been involved in research projects with the Combating Terrorism Center at West Point that focused on extremist literature and ideologies circulating in Southeast Asia, as well as several projects with Thai counterparts. He is also informally involved in an advisory capacity to a number of NGOs and conflict resolution initiatives working in the southern provinces of Thailand. Next year will see the Civil and Internal Conflict Programme begin work in collaboration with the RSIS Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies on internal conflict and human security projects funded by the MacArthur Foundation.

INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY

The International Political Economy Programme at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, is coordinated by Assistant Professor Richard Carney. The programme is broadly interested in issues that sit at the intersection of politics and economic markets. The programme provides a unique regional perspective on issues such as trade, finance, economic development and foreign direct investment.

In 2009, members of the International Political Economy Programme have engaged in extensive networking and fostering collaborative projects with universities and institutes around the world. For example, members of the programme were invited to give presentations of their research alongside distinguished professors from Harvard, Oxford, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Boston University at conferences held in Paris and Toronto. Faculty of the programme also presented their research in Australia and, of course, in Singapore.

The programme has also engaged in a collaborative research project proposal with scholars from the University of Warwick; the Centre for the Study of Globalization and Regionalization, Boston University; the

Central European University; the Freie University of Berlin; the University of Gothenburg; the Jawaharlal Nehru University; and the United Nations University-Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS). The research proposal is focused on the two-way interaction between global economic developments such as the recent global recession, and the politics of national and regional governance. We are particularly interested in exploring challenges to the underlying liberal democratic values embodied in the EU and the different ways in which these values have been both implemented and challenged in EU member states and, in comparative perspective, in countries like India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea and the United States. We see the EU's values as also embracing cooperative/internationalist responses to global issues as well as the free movement of capital, goods and labour within the Union: principles that have also influenced the movement towards closer integration in other regions. The research will be structured around comparative analysis of different countries and regions, and also specific themes and issue areas.

The programme is also engaged in a variety of individual research projects, such as the structure of corporate ownership across East Asia and how it has changed since the 1997 financial crisis. Recently completed research projects have led to the publication of a book on the political origins of financial institutions across high income countries, as well as journal articles on innovation in Singapore and the political determinants of the Chinese financial system.

The programme also hosts a variety of speakers to give talks on the practical aspects of economic policymaking within government ministries, such as Singapore's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and international organizations such as the Asian Development Bank. In 2009, the programme also assisted RSIS in hosting the following NTUC Professors of International Economic Relations:

- Professor Vinod Aggarwal, Professor in the Department of Political Science at University of California, Berkeley, Affiliated Professor in the Business and Public Policy group in the Haas School of Business, and Director of the Berkeley Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Study Center (BASC) at the University of California at Berkeley. Professor Aggarwal visited the School at the beginning of 2009.
- Professor John Ravenhill, Professor in the Department of International Relations at the Australian National University's College of Asia and the Pacific. Professor Ravenhill visited the School at the end of 2009.

COUNTRY AND AREA STUDIES

RSIS's research also includes studies of countries that can have an impact on the region's security and stability through their domestic developments and foreign policies. Such work is currently being done through the China, Indonesia, Malaysia, South Asia and United States Programmes.

China Programme

The China Programme focused on three areas of research: China's strategic role in East Asia, China-ASEAN regional and sub-regional cooperation, and China-ASEAN defence and security relations. The China Programme also made major efforts in setting up institutional linkages with various Chinese think tanks.

In addition to teaching four modules in the School's Master of Science Programmes, faculty members in the China Programme published extensively in the past year. Two edited volumes *Living with China* (Palgrave Macmillan) and *Soft Power: China's Emerging Strategy in International Politics* (Lexington-Rowman and Littlefield) have been published. The four edited volumes on China's international relations in Asia are scheduled to be published by Routledge in December 2009.

In October, the China Programme held a workshop on China-ASEAN Regional and Sub-regional Cooperation with partial funding from the China-ASEAN Cooperation Fund, which will eventually lead to the



The workshop on "China-ASEAN Regional and Sub-Regional Cooperation" held on 1–2 October 2009

publication of an edited volume. Another conference, "China and the Changing Strategic Dynamics in East Asia", is scheduled in March 2010. The editing of a second book volume is being planned. Faculty members of the programme are working on two single-author books. In addition, they also published widely in journals, other edited books and media outlets, besides participating in many conferences during the past year.

The China Programme has made major progress in building institutional linkages between RSIS and major think tanks in China. An RSIS delegation led by Ambassador Barry Desker (Dean of RSIS), which included Dr. Joseph Liow, Mr. Kwa Chong Guan, Dr. Ralf Emmers, Dr. Li Mingjiang and Mr. Ho Shu Huang, visited and held discussions with major think tanks in Beijing. During the trip, Dean Desker also signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on cooperation with the China Institute of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) and an MOU on cooperation with the Institute of Strategic Studies (ISS) at the Chinese National Defense University (NDU). The delegation also renewed contact with the China Institute for International Strategic Studies (CIISS).

Networking activities during the year included a visit by a delegation from the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences. Joint seminars with RSIS faculty members took place in September. Both parties agreed to maintain exchanges in the coming years. RSIS has also forged regular exchange relations with four Chinese think tanks, i.e. CICIR, ISS at NDU, CIISS and the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences. In addition, informal and cooperative relations with a number of research institutes at some of the most prestigious Chinese universities, such as Peking University and Foreign Affairs University, have been established. The China Programme also assisted other programmes at RSIS to build research ties with other Chinese institutions.

In 2009, the China Programme hosted two visiting research fellows:

- Mr. Zhai Kun, Director of the Institute of Southeast Asian and South Asian Studies of CICIR, one of the leading think tanks on international relations in China. Mr. Zha Kun worked on the making of China's policy towards Southeast Asia in the past two decades.
- Dr. Zhou Piqi, Colonel and Associate Professor, Institute for Strategic Studies, National Defense University, PLA, China. Dr. Zhou worked on defence and security cooperation among ASEAN countries and the implications for China-ASEAN relations.

Indonesia Programme

The Indonesia Programme at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, is coordinated by Associate Professor Leonard C. Sebastian. During the year in review, the programme accomplished research in the following areas: Indonesian domestic politics, especially on the General Elections; the impact of Decentralization; analysis of developments in the provinces of Riau and Riau Archipelago; political Islam; defence and security reform; and Indonesian perspectives on the study of international relations.

The research output included a book *Islam and the Secular State in Indonesia* by Dr. Luthfi Assyauckanie, which was written when the scholar was on a post-doctoral fellowship at RSIS. Two book length studies, one focusing on the emergence of *Partai Keadilan Sejahtera* and its implications for Indonesia by Dr. Sebastian and Dr. Irman G. Lanti, and another on the Riau, Jambi, Palembang and Bangka-Belitung Malay pirate network by Dr. Eric Frécon, a post-doctoral fellow in the programme titled *On the Track of the Sumatran Pirates*, are currently in progress. An edited volume of collected essays focusing on Riau after Decentralization by Dr. Sebastian and Dr. Nankyung Choi (of City University, Hong Kong) is presently in progress. Two research projects on local politics and governance by Dr. Sebastian entitled "Decentralization and the Fault-lines of Conflict in Indonesia" and "Local Governance and Democracy in Indonesia" have been completed and will soon be submitted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

Ongoing research includes the dynamics of Indonesia's Generation Y; political Islam; relations between central and regional governments in Indonesia; the future of the TNI; security implications of resource depletion, democratization and elections; and regular monitoring of political, economic, security and society-related developments in the provinces of Riau Archipelago and Riau. The latter forms the basis of the *Riau Bulletin*, a fortnightly newsletter initiated in August 2007, which is aimed at providing timely information to the Singapore policy community. A series of 12 newsletters analysing the dynamics of Indonesia's legislative and presidential elections was published weekly during the period from March to July 2009 under the title *Indonesia Election Watch 2009*. The programme's newest publication, *Kabar Indonesia*, provided timely background information on the make-up of the new Yudhoyono Administra-

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tion's *Kabinet Indonesia Bersatu II* and was published for the first time on 22 October 2009.

Mr. Darma Rusdi Marpaung, Managing Director of Imparsial Office, completed a three-month visiting fellowship at RSIS in September. During his stay, Mr. Marpaung wrote a working paper, *Looking beyond the Free Trade Zone: Political Conflict and Tempatan Kepri*, which is currently under review, providing an assessment of the potential for conflict in the Riau Archipelago.

In 2009, the first beneficiary of the Gita Wirjawan Graduate Fellowship (which was established at RSIS the year before for young and promising Indonesians) was selected by PT Ancora International and RSIS through interviews held in Jakarta. Ms. Muniroh Rahim, an official from the Indonesian Department of Foreign Affairs, is presently pursuing a M.Sc. in International Relations in the July 2009 cohort.

Much of the Indonesia Programme's attention during the year under review was focused on Indonesia's 2009 General and Presidential Elections. Several seminars and a distinguished public lecture by HE

Ms. Muniroh Rahim, the first recipient of the Gita Wirjawan Graduate Fellowship at RSIS, which is an award for promising young Indonesians



Dean Barry Desker (seventh from left) led a RSIS delegation to the inauguration of the Indonesian Defence University on 11 March 2009. On his left is Dr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, the President of Indonesia

Professor Boediono, then Indonesian Vice-president designate, were organized, which were well-attended.

Starting in 2008, the Indonesian Department of Defence (DepHan) had sought assistance from RSIS in its effort to establish the Indonesian Defence University (IDU). This university was inaugurated on 11 March 2009 by President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono. An international seminar entitled "Indonesia 2025: Geopolitical and Security Challenges" co-organized by the IDU and RSIS's Indonesia Programme, was held as part of the inauguration activities. A number of RSIS academics presented papers at the seminar, which were included in the book *Proceedings of the International Seminar Indonesia 2025: Geopolitical and Security Challenges*, published by DepHan. Plans are being made for a second seminar in early 2010, which the Indonesian Programme will again be helping to organize, to commemorate the first anniversary of the IDU.

Malaysia Programme

The Malaysia Programme at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, was initiated in 2009. The objective of the programme is to develop an in-depth understanding of trends in the country that are likely to have implications for social and political configurations in Malaysia. Over the last year, the team (headed by Raja Segaran, Senior Fellow, RSIS, and including Associate Professor Joseph Liow and Dr. Farish Noor) has published three Malaysia Update reports that include an in-depth interview with Nik Aziz Nik Mat, Menteri Besar of Kelantan and PAS Spiritual Leader, an analysis of the state of play in the opposition Pakatan Rakyat coalition, and a study of Indonesia-Malaysia relations in the light of recent bilateral disputes.

Faculty associates had also published major studies on Malaysia over the last year. These include A/P Liow's *Piety and Politics: Islamism in Contemporary Malaysia*, published by Oxford University Press, and Dr. Farish Noor's edited collection of articles on the theme of Islam



Dato Nur Jazlan Mohamed (right), Head of the Pulau Division of UMNO, gave a Distinguished Public Lecture on 26 June 2009, which was chaired by Dr. Joseph Liow, Associate Dean of RSIS

and Civilization in Malaysia, published by the Sunan Kalijaga State Islamic University in Indonesia. In addition to research, the programme, together with the Contemporary Islam Programme, hosted visits by Dato Nur Jazlan Mohamed (Head of the Pulau Division, UMNO) and Dato Mustafa Ali (Secretary-General of PAS). Looking ahead, the programme aims to embark on research on the political implications of demographic trends in Malaysia, Islamism, and social, economic and political dynamics in East Malaysia.

South Asia Programme

The South Asia Programme of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies at RSIS has been active in teaching and in producing research both at the policy level and at the scholarly level. In mid 2009, Professor C. Raja Mohan left RSIS for an assignment elsewhere, but he retains his links with the School and will return to teach and research periodically. Associate Professor Rajesh Basrur now coordinates the programme. The courses taught in the School's M.Sc. programmes include "International Relations of South Asia", "India's Foreign and Security Policies", "Nuclear Politics in Asia" (which extends to all of Asia) and a part of the course "Comparative Politics of Asia". The focus of research encompasses India and its position in Asia's security architecture, the development of India's naval forces, India-Pakistan relations, terrorist violence in South Asia, and weapons of mass destruction in the region.

In 2009, the programme launched a collaborative study on *The 2008 Mumbai Terrorist Attacks: Strategic Fallout*, which resulted in a monograph with the same title jointly authored by Professor Timothy Hoyt of

Naval War College, U.S.A.; Professor Rifaat Hus-sain of Quaid-i-Azam University, Pakistan; Ms. Sujoyini Mandal of RSIS; and Dr. Basrur. Professor Mohan co-edited (with Alyssa Ayres) *Power Realignments in Asia: China, India and the United States*, which was published by Sage. He also published papers on India's role in Asian security and on U.S. policy towards South Asia. Professor Mohan regularly contributes policy-oriented analyses to a number of newspapers, notably the *Indian Express* and the Shanghai-based *Oriental*

Professor Raja Mohan, RSIS faculty member, who was placed no. 67 in a list of the Top 100 Global Thinkers by Foreign Policy in December 2009



Morning Post. Dr. Basrur's earlier work on *Minimum Deterrence and India's Nuclear Security* was re-published by the National University of Singapore Press. His edited work on *Challenges to Democracy in India* was brought out by Oxford University Press. Dr. Basrur also published papers on India-Pakistan relations, India's position on nuclear disarmament and the strategic impact of the India-U.S. nuclear deal. He writes periodically for the Indian newspaper *Daily News and Analysis*. Both Professor Mohan and Dr. Basrur were key participants in a seminal study on "The State of International Relations/Studies in India".

In 2009, the programme welcomed Dr. Arpita Mathur, formerly of the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi, as a Visiting Fellow. Dr. Mathur is pursuing a study on India-Japan relations. Commodore Ashok Sawhney, a retired officer of the Indian Navy, has also been invited to join RSIS in a similar capacity to work on India's naval strategy and its interaction with China's naval strategy. During the year, the South Asia Programme also hosted several distinguished speakers. These included Professor M. Badrul Alam of Jamia Millia University, Professor Pervaiz Iqbal Cheema, President of the Islamabad Policy Research Institute, and Professor T. V. Paul of McGill University.

In the coming years, the South Asia Programme will spread its wings by producing more cutting-edge research, by welcoming into its fold scholars from South Asia and elsewhere, and by collaborating with think tanks and universities from around the world. In addition to the current focus on foreign policy and military-strategic issues, new ground will be explored on religion and political community and non-traditional security.

United States Programme

The United States programme at the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies coordinates, facilitates and promotes research, teaching and networking activities on topics focused on or related to the United States.

The programme's research agenda focuses on the foreign, military and broad security policies of the United States as these have impacted on or may potentially impact on East Asia. Apart from shedding light on current security concerns, the programme also brings analysis to bear on contemporary affairs from a historical perspective. A combination of both approaches has been adopted to improve the quality of debate on present-day issues and policy formation.

In 2009, research was undertaken on Singapore-U.S. relations, the great powers and Southeast Asia, the Obama administration's foreign policy towards Asia, and the U.S. defence policy towards Asia and its implications on regional security. The results of the research are published in the *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*, in edited volumes, and in the RSIS Working Paper and Commentary series.

The programme has likewise been active in advancing its networking and outreach activities. The programme coordinator was awarded a Mellon fellowship and selected to participate, with 20 other international scholars, in a month-long research seminar on decolonization and international politics at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. The programme also organized a conference on "The Role of Archives in Documenting a Shared Memory of the Cold War". It further convened a roundtable discussion with Professor Vinod Aggarwal, Professor Khong Yuen Foong, Professor C. Raja Mohan, Dr Ashley Tellis and Professor Stephen M. Walt on "The First 100 Days of the Obama Administration: Foreign and Security Policy Trajectories".

Speakers at the RSIS Roundtable on the First 100 Days of the Obama Administration (from left), Professor Raja Mohan, Professor Vinod Aggarwal, Dean Barry Desker (Chairman), Professor Stephen Walt, Professor Khong Yuen Foong and Dr. Ashley Tellis



In addition, the programme hosted a number of distinguished scholars and policymakers from Asia and the United States to seminars and talks at RSIS. The speakers included Mr. Richard L. Armitage, President of Armitage International and former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State; Mr. Richard Lawless, President and CEO of Richard Lawless and Associates, and former U.S. Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Asian and Pacific Affairs; Professor Anne Pham, Director of the Southeast Asia Regional Security Studies Program and Faculty Member, Department of National Security Studies, National Defense University, Washington, D.C.; Dr. William C. Thomas, Visiting Senior Fellow and Fulbright Scholar; and Dr. Gerard Chaliand, Visiting Professor, RSIS.

Overall, these activities have helped to facilitate a more informed exchange of ideas and understandings about U.S. foreign and defence policies, and their impacts on Asian security.

PUBLICATIONS

RSIS's research activities have resulted in a variety of publications, including books, monographs, journal articles and policy papers. RSIS has several in-house publications: (i) a monograph series on projects carried out by our staff and Visiting Research Fellows and collaborating institutions; (ii) an RSIS Working Paper series that allows resident and visiting scholars to seek feedback on the initial draft of their research papers; (iii) *RSIS Commentaries*, offering timely analyses of major developments in regional and international affairs intended primarily for a policy audience; and (iv) Policy Papers and Policy Briefs, which analyse key policy issues and offer recommendations to policymakers and stakeholders. Besides these publications, RSIS faculty and researchers also actively publish in their own areas of interest and specialization.

The publications of RSIS and RSIS staff members are listed in Annex A and Annex B, respectively.

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MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

Our flagship programmes, the Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Strategic Studies, International Relations, International Political Economy and Asian Studies, have become widely popular. The four programmes have a total enrolment of 184 students in the 2009/2010 Academic Year, 114 of whom are from overseas. The School has certainly come a long way since Academic Year 1998/1999, when the inaugural Master of Science in Strategic Studies programme accepted 10 students, all of whom were Singaporeans.

By concentrating on a professional education, the RSIS Master's programmes are designed to benefit: (i) public officials working in the areas of security, defence, economic relations and foreign-policy making; (ii) students of international relations, strategic studies, foreign policy and international political economy; and (iii) corporate planners and business professionals interested in the Asia-Pacific region. Each programme also serves as a firm foundation for those who may wish to pursue doctoral studies later.

Students enrolled in the Master's programmes benefit from world-class scholars attracted to the School because of its growing international reputation. For example, well-known scholars who visited RSIS in 2009 included the following:

- Professor Vinod K. Aggarwal, Professor in the Department of Political Science, Affiliated Professor of Business and Public Policy in the Haas School of Business, and Director of the Berkeley Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Study Centre (BASC), University of California, Berkeley (as the NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations)
- Professor Stephen M. Walt, Robert and Renee Belfer Professor of International Affairs, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
- The Honourable Richard L. Armitage, President of Armitage International and former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State
- Professor Bruce Hoffman, Professor of Security Studies Programme, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University (as the S. Rajaratnam Professor of Strategic Studies)

Professor Stephen
M. Walt



- Professor John Ravenhill, Professor in the Department of International Relations, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University (as the NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations)
- Dr. Gerard Chaliand, former Director of the European Center for the Study of Conflicts, Paris (as Visiting Professor)

Master's students also benefit from value-added offerings in the M.Sc. programmes such as workshops on developing media skills, negotiation and conflict management, and management of defence technology. Creative means of bringing ideas and concepts alive, such as the screening of relevant feature films and documentaries, have generated enthusiasm among the student body. Students have an opportunity to meet the School's alumni at our annual "mixer" in June. An annual alumni dinner is held in August.

The External Examiners for the Master's programmes are Professor Steve Smith, President, UK Universities and Vice Chancellor of the University of Exeter, and Dr. Lee Lai To, Associate Professor of Political Science at the National University of Singapore and President of the Political Science Association of Singapore. They continued to advise the Head of Graduate Studies in ensuring consistency of grading standards across the M.Sc. programmes. In addition, the consultant to the School, Professor Stephen Walt, continued to advise RSIS on the overall standard of research as well as teaching. Professor Walt is the Robert and Renee Belfer Professor of International Affairs at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government.



Students, alumni and faculty at the annual "mixer" held at Mel's Place Bar and Bistro on 5 June 2009

Master of Science (Strategic Studies)

Synopsis

With a paradigm shift in the business of war and political violence today, the M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) Programme is an imperative discipline that aims to equip students with the ability to decipher strategic theories and emerging security issues, and develop their own concepts to deal with real-world situations.

Objectives

The M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) Programme is designed to help students better comprehend the changes in the world of strategy, security and war.

The programme aims to:

- develop security analysts who will be familiar with pressing strategic issues in the Asia Pacific and beyond;
- introduce contemporary thinking across a whole spectrum of strategic and security-related issues; and
- convey a systematic understanding of the theories that explain the nature of interactions between states as well as non-state actors in an increasingly globalized international system.

Relevance

Today, security is becoming increasingly complicated. While traditional security issues—those revolving around the security of the state and territorial integrity, and the use of military force—remain an important element in the security calculus of states, this military focus to security is no longer exclusive. Economic and ecological concerns, migration and other non-military issues have begun to feature prominently in the security agenda. Against the backdrop of this transitional environment, conflict management has become more challenging. The relevance and dominance of traditional approaches to security and order are being challenged by concepts of common, comprehensive and cooperative security. At the same time, global and regional multilateral institutions are experimenting with new techniques of dealing with conflict, such as preventive diplomacy and humanitarian intervention, often with mixed results.

Benefits

It is vital for professionals in the fields of defence and security management to not only be conversant with the new security concepts and strategic theo-

ries, but also to be well acquainted with the intricacies of strategic planning, design and policy analysis. Such knowledge is also useful for corporate planners grappling with the complexities of the current security paradigms.

Content

The M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) programme has been specially designed to cover a broad spectrum of issues, including the following:

- The study of the use of force in international politics
- Traditional security issues in the Asia-Pacific region
- The nexus between non-traditional security issues and the use of force
- Regional geopolitical issues and its impact on regional security

Students are required to take two core courses. In addition, students completing a dissertation must take five extra courses (three primary and two electives), while those in the non-dissertation stream must take seven courses (five primary and two electives).

Master of Science (International Relations)

Synopsis

The M.Sc. (International Relations) Programme is an integrative discipline that aims to equip students with the ability to decipher international relations theories and develop their own concepts to deal with real world situations.

Objectives

The M.Sc. (International Relations) Programme is designed to help students better comprehend the ever-changing international scene.

The programme aims to:

- develop international-relations analysts who will be familiar with pressing strategic issues in the Asia Pacific and beyond;
- introduce contemporary thinking across a whole spectrum of strategic and security-related issues;
- convey a systematic understanding of the theories that explain the nature of interactions between states as well as non-state actors in an increasingly globalized international system; and
- provide a sound basis for policy analysis in an increasingly complex world.

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Relevance

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It is vital for professionals in the fields of defence and foreign relations to not only be conversant with the new security concepts and strategic theories, but also to be well acquainted with the intricacies of strategic planning, design and policy analysis. Such knowledge is also useful for corporate planners grappling with the complexities of globalization.

Content

The M.Sc. (International Relations) Programme is specially designed to cover a broad spectrum of issues, including the following:

- Theories of international relations
- The making of foreign policy
- Business planning and technology management
- Area studies, specifically on the Asia-Pacific region

Professor Ron Matthews, Head of Graduate and Doctoral Studies, briefing the new students of AY 2009/2010 during their orientation



Students are required to take two core courses. In addition, students completing a dissertation must take five extra courses (three primary and two electives), while those in the non-dissertation stream must take seven courses (five primary and two electives).

Master of Science (International Political Economy)

Synopsis

Politics and economics are intertwined. In today's globalized world, understanding one area and not the other makes the comprehension incomplete. Analysing and drafting effective policy requires knowledge of the interaction between economic and political goals and objectives.

Objectives

The M.Sc. (International Political Economy) Programme provides the link between politics and economics by examining relevant theoretical and practical concepts from both disciplines.

Relevance

International Political Economy (IPE) sits at the intersection of politics and economic markets. Many political scientists have studied political decisions divorced from the economic context. Similarly, economists have often studied the mechanisms of the market as though the economy works without manipulation from political actors. However, these two areas cannot be regarded separately. Governments frequently intervene in markets by setting wages, prices, tax levels and so forth. On the other hand, investors sometimes turn away from states, markets or currencies that are following objectively sound macroeconomic policies to invest in inefficient projects elsewhere in the world.

Benefits

Under this programme, students are taught to analyse the interaction between the production, distribution and use of wealth with politically driven rules and institutions in the global environment. Using real-world examples, the IPE Programme offers comprehensive insights into contemporary developments in world economics and politics, such as the uneven impact of globalization on states and societies, and ongoing arguments over the formal and informal rules underpinning global governance.

Content

The M.Sc. (International Political Economy) Programme is designed to ensure that students gain a sound understanding in the following:

- Theoretical and methodological issues in international political economy
- The basics of economic analysis, with an emphasis on macroeconomics
- Trade, finance and production networks
- Key political trends and developments that may affect the world economy, and vice versa

This is not a course in international economics. Although economic concepts are given serious consideration, the focus is mainly on political determinants and their impact on economic outcomes.

Students are required to take two core courses. In addition, students completing a dissertation must take five extra courses (three primary and two electives), while those in the non-dissertation stream must take seven courses (five primary and two electives). Students with no economics background are strongly encouraged to take the course “Economics for IPE” (Course IP6001).

Master of Science (Asian Studies)**Synopsis**

Interest in Asian Studies among scholars is a growing phenomenon as political developments in the region take a new turn and the economic strength of Asia gains influence.

Objectives

With a focus on history, comparative politics, international relations and economics, the M.Sc. (Asian Studies) Programme is designed to:

- help candidates interested in Asian political economy and security issues obtain the necessary analytical tools and historical perspectives to appreciate the dynamics and implications of exciting new trends;
- help candidates develop an in-depth understanding of these dynamic changes, using approaches rooted in the disciplines of history, comparative politics, international relations and economics; and
- acquire relevant analytical tools and historical perspectives to keep them attuned to new trends emerging on the Asian horizon.

This will enable them to better appreciate and understand the dynamics and course of contemporary developments in Asia.

Relevance

On the political front, many Asian states are experiencing profound historical transitions. There are also many potential flashpoints in this region, including the Korean Peninsula issue, the Taiwan issue, the South China Sea issue, regional arms races, resource scarcity and environmental degradation, and the rising influence of Islamic fundamentalism.

At the heart of regional and global concern are the rise of China as an economic and military powerhouse, and the emergence of India and a more assertive Japan. These phenomena have been arousing keen interest among key observers and policymakers globally. In view of these developments, many Southeast Asian countries are moving in new directions politically and economically. ASEAN, as an international organization, plays a crucial role in shaping the relationships among major powers and in cultivating East Asian regionalism.

Benefits

Under this programme, students are instantly connected and attuned to the latest developments in the region with ample opportunities to meet foreign policymakers and prominent Asian specialists from think tanks, non-profit organizations and universities throughout the world. Students will also have the opportunity to further hone their linguistic skills in Singapore, which is home to various communities that converse in many Asian languages.

The cutting-edge knowledge and skills offered in this programme will benefit students in their professional careers in the private or public sector.

Content

The M.Sc. (Asian Studies) Programme is empirically driven and area-centric. The programme places strong emphasis on a range of issues, including the following:

- Political economy and security
- Key diplomatic, economic, governmental and security issues with contemporary policy implications

The programme is tailored to the interests of individual students who may choose to focus on a specific country or develop extensive expertise in a certain area of interest.

Students are required to take two core courses. In addition, students completing a dissertation must take five extra courses (three primary and two electives), while those in the non-dissertation stream must take seven courses (five primary and two electives).

The Nanyang MBA (International Studies)

Synopsis

This interdisciplinary degree, which is jointly offered with Nanyang Business School (NBS), combines the best of both worlds. It allows students to obtain an excellent international studies education at RSIS and a well-recognized MBA from NBS, one of Asia's foremost business schools.

Objectives

This exciting new programme aims to give students a firm foundation in international affairs, while equipping them with a rigorous education in business studies at NBS.

Relevance

Today, businesses are no longer conducted in isolation. There are political influences that can affect the economy, which will in turn have a significant impact on businesses. The link between politics and business underlies the need to have a strong grasp of both disciplines in order to have an edge in the corporate world.

Benefits

Besides acquiring key professional business skills, students will obtain specialized knowledge in the field of international relations and international political economy. Students will be better equipped to manage the challenges of operating businesses or other international pursuits in an increasingly globalized economy through networking sessions and working with leading industrial corporations.

Set against Singapore's cosmopolitan environment, this MBA gives students the opportunity to gain the necessary knowledge and insights in an integrated and efficient manner, enhancing their ability to handle issues in an international setting.

Content

Students will take the following three core courses from RSIS:

- International Relations Theory: A Critical Introduction
- Issues in International Political Economy
- Professional Skills Enrichment

Students are then allowed to select four electives from the broad range of courses offered by RSIS in international relations, international political economy, strategic studies and Asian studies.

Students also need to take nine courses from the Nanyang Business School. In addition, they are required to do one of the following:

- Complete an individual 10,000-word research dissertation, supervised by a faculty member at RSIS
- Participate in an overseas Business Study Mission supervised by NBS
- Complete two additional courses at either RSIS or NBS

FORTHCOMING PROGRAMME**NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme****Synopsis**

We live in an increasingly globalized world, and learning should reflect this reality. The NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme thus seeks to provide an educational platform articulating the economic, political, social and strategic influences impacting on Asia and the Western world.

Objectives

The NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme represents an innovative programme of study offering students the opportunity to live and study in two culturally diverse countries/regions, experiencing the “best of both worlds” in conceptual training, empirical relevance and policy application. The specific programme objectives are to equip students with:

- A strong portfolio of theoretical and empirical skills in international and strategic studies
- An understanding of the practical skills appropriate for professionals operating in a dynamic twenty-first century international environment

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Professor Richard Higgott, Pro-Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of Warwick, presenting a token of appreciation to Senior Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Zainul Abidin Rasheed, after the launch of the NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme on 3 November 2009



- Deep insights into the multiple- and cross-disciplinary influences affecting contemporary public and private decision-making
- An appreciation of the cross-cultural theoretical and policy-oriented international challenges facing the policymaking community
- Opportunities to develop and exploit powerful global networks

Relevance

The NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme enjoys unique differential advantages, including: the learning benefits deriving from study in the diverse and stimulating European and Asian environments; the blending of Warwick's strong emphasis on research and theoretical/methodological issues with RSIS's competence on professional and applied skills; and, finally, the provision of a top flight post-graduate qualification appropriate to the needs of public and private organizations operating in a demanding international community.

Benefits

Students in Year 1 at Warwick will be exposed to its acclaimed expertise in the political and methodological aspects of international studies, providing a foundation for RSIS' global security focus in Year 2 studies. Additionally, there will be opportunities to enhance language skills, including the acquisition of Asian language competencies. Finally, of course, Double Degree graduates will benefit from the acquisition of two Master's degrees from globally respected European and Asian Universities.

Content

The NTU-Warwick Double Masters programme is a two-year programme. Students will carry out the first year of their studies at the University of Warwick, starting at Warwick in October each year, finishing in July the following year. Students will then proceed to RSIS in their second year at the end of July, finishing their degree the following June. The duration of the whole programme will be 22 months, with the maximum being 44 months if a student takes a year's break before transferring to RSIS.

The NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme will be awarded to any applicant undertaking the programme, from both Warwick and NTU.

Students will read core subjects in such fields as international relations, international political economy and strategic studies. There will also be research methodology courses, as well as the opportunity to take electives and a focused research project, in relevant subject-areas. Flexibility is in place, moreover, to ensure that learning across Years 1 and 2 at Warwick and RSIS proceeds in a progressive and structured way.

STRUCTURE OF M.SC. PROGRAMMES

The programmes leading to the degrees of M.Sc. (Strategic Studies), M.Sc. (International Relations), M.Sc. (International Political Economy) and M.Sc. (Asian Studies) comprise one of the following:

- Two core courses, three primary and two electives courses; and a dissertation of 10,000 words
- Two core courses, five primary and two elective courses

The programme leading to the degree of the Nanyang MBA (International Studies) comprises the following:

- Nine core courses offered by NBS
- Seven courses offered by RSIS, including "International Relations Theory: A Critical Introduction" and "Issues in International Political Economy"
- An individual dissertation (for RSIS) or an overseas Business Study Mission group report (for NBS) or the completion of two additional courses in either RSIS or NBS.

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RSIS M.SC. STUDENTS OF ACADEMIC YEAR 2009/2010

*M.Sc. Class
of 2009/2010
(Strategic Studies)*



*M.Sc. Class
of 2009/2010
(International
Relations)*





*M.Sc. Class
of 2009/2010
(International
Political
Economy)*



*M.Sc. Class of
2009/2010 (Asian
Studies)*

Certificate in Terrorism Studies

M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) students may also opt for a specialized coursework track that leads to the conferring of both an M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) degree from Nanyang Technological University as well as a special Certificate in Terrorism Studies (CTS) from the School's International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR). M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) students opting for the CTS track must take two M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) core courses. In addition, students completing a dissertation on a terrorism-related topic have to take three CTS and two non-CTS courses, or four CTS and three non-CTS courses for students in the non-dissertation stream.

TUITION FEES FOR M.SC. PROGRAMMES

Fees

Every year, fees are reviewed and subject to revision. As and when fees are revised, the new fees will apply to all existing and new students. The University reserves the right to alter fees at any time without notice.

M.Sc. in Strategic Studies, International Relations, International Political Economy and Asian Studies Programmes

The fees for Academic Year 2010/2011 are detailed in the table below:

Application Fee	S\$21.40
Deposit Fee (Non-refundable and payable upon acceptance of offer of admission)	S\$2,150
Programme Fee*	S\$21,500

*Successful applicants will enjoy the high probability of a tuition grant of up to S\$14,000.

NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme

The fees for Academic Year 2010/2011 are detailed in the table below:

Application Fee	£30
First Year at Warwick:	
UK/EU student	S\$18,850 (£8,200)
Non UK/EU student	S\$25,688 (£11,300)
Second Year at RSIS	S\$21,500

The Nanyang MBA in International Studies Programme

Tuition fees for the Nanyang MBA (International Studies) are not subsidized. The fees for Academic Year 2010/2011 are detailed in the table below:

Application Fee	S\$50
Deposit and Enrolment Fees (Non-refundable and payable upon acceptance of offer of admission)	S\$5,000
Programme Fee	S\$50,000

DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

The School also runs a young and highly selective Ph.D. programme. Since its inception in 2003, two students have successfully completed their doctoral studies. The most recent was Misalucha Charmaine Galos, from the Philippines, who earned her doctorate in September 2009, based on the topic "Language Games and Southeast Asia-United States Relations, 1954–2006". At the present time, 14 students are registered on the Ph.D. programme. Of these, six were admitted in July 2009, three are scheduled to take their Confirmation Exercise in January 2010, and five have already had their candidacy confirmed. Success in the Confirmation Exercise allows students to transfer on to the full doctoral studies track. The students with confirmed candidacy and their proposed topics of research (in brackets) are as follows:

- Mr. Mohammad Haniff Bin Hassan (Jihad Thought of Abdullah Azzam)



Professor Ron Matthews, Head of Graduate and Doctoral Studies, with new students (from left), Melissa Heng, Oleg Korovin, Clinton Lorimore, Keith Flick, Eva Pejsova and Kathryn Floyd

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Core Courses

- S6014 The Evolution of Strategic Thought (Foundation)
S6007 Professional Skills Enrichment

Primary Field

- S6003 Management of Defence Technology
S6005 The Analysis of Defence and Security Policies
S6010 The Revolution in Military Affairs: Defence Transformation, State Power and the Future of Force
S6016 The Study of War
S6017 Selected Topics in Strategic Studies – Theoretical and Practice Approaches to the Future
S6019 Terrorism, Intelligence and Homeland Security
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S6028 Countering Religiously-Motivated Terrorism in Southeast Asia: Issues and Challenges
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Electives

- AS6000 The International History of Asia
AS6002 Language Study: Chinese
AS6005 Religion and Identity in Asia
AS6007 Government and Politics of Southeast Asia
AS6008 Contemporary Maritime Security in Asia
AS6009 China and Ethnic Chinese in Southeast Asia
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AS6016 Selected Topics in Asian Studies: Korean Peninsula / International Politics of Northeast Asia

- B6833 Strategy Formulation
B6834 Strategy Implementation
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CC6103 International Trade and China: Strategies and Issues
CC6291 Special Topics in Politics and International Relations: Political Theories of China's Economic Reforms
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IP6001 Economics for IPE
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IP6004 An Introduction to International Law
IP6005 Selected Topics in International Political Economy – The Political Economy of Economic Development and Integration in Asia
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IR6019 The Political of Risk
IR6020 European Union and Contemporary European Security
IR6021 Islam and the West

Master of Science (International Relations)

Core Courses

- IR6001 The Study of International Relations (Foundation)
S6007 Professional Skills Enrichment

Primary Field

- IR6003 Critical Security Studies
IR6005 International Relations of South Asia
IR6006 The Study of Institutions
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Master of Science (International Political Economy)

Core Courses

- IP6000 Theories and Issues in International Political Economy (Foundation)
S6007 Professional Skills Enrichment

Primary Field

- IP6001 Economics for IPE
IP6002 Regional Integration in the World Economy
IP6004 An Introduction to International Law
IP6005 Selected Topics in International Political Economy – The Political Economy of Economic Development and Integration in Asia
IP6006 The Political Economy of Development
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Core Courses offered by NBS

B6005	Financial Management
B6007	Marketing Management
B6011	Financial Accounting
B6013	Economic Analysis
B6014	Technology & e-Business
B6015	Corporate and Business Strategy
B6016	Managing Business Operations
B6017	Accounting for Decision Making and Control
B6018	Leadership and Organizational Behaviour

Core Courses offered by RSIS

IR6001	The Study of International Relations
IP6000	Theories and Issues in International Political Economy (IPE)
S6007	Professional Skills Enrichment

Electives

AS6000	The International History of Asia
AS6002	Language Study: Chinese
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- Mr. Andi Widjajanto (The Evolution of Indonesia's Military Doctrine, 1945–2008)
- Mr. Ajaya Kumar Das (India's Rise: Assessing the Role of Soft Power)
- Mr. Muhammad Tito Karnavian (Muslim Radicalization in Indonesia: Al Jamaah al Islamiyyah's Insurgency and the Poso Conflicts, 2000–07)
- Ms. Gonzales Lozana Alma (An Analysis of the Effectiveness of Defence Offsets in the Development of the Spanish Defence Industrial Base)

EXTERNAL PROGRAMMES

RSIS continues to maintain long-standing contractual relationships with the Ministries of Defence and Home Affairs in supporting a variety of milestone courses for staff in these ministries. These courses help staff in both ministries to comprehend the ever-changing and complex strategic environment.

For the Ministry of Defence and the Singapore Armed Forces, RSIS faculty have taught geopolitics and military history lessons in two major milestone courses conducted at the SAFTI Military Institute. RSIS faculty and the Military Studies / Military Transformation programmes assisted the SAFTI Military Institute's Military Studies Branch in conducting lessons on Southeast Asian geopolitics and military history for the 12th–15th Tri-Service Warfighters' Course. RSIS faculty involvement in the 40th Singapore Command and Staff Course reached a new milestone in 2009, as courses conducted can now be fully accredited towards NTU's Master of Science degree programmes conducted by the College of Engineering, the Nanyang Business School, as well as RSIS. The Command and Staff Course comes under the rubric of a Continuing Education Programme in the SAF, and RSIS involvement in this Course comes under a 10-year SAF-NTU Strategic Partnership Memorandum of Understanding. These courses at the SAFTI Military Institute are intended to broaden the knowledge and strategic outlook of military officers. In addition, RSIS is planning a new undergraduate degree-level course for the SAF, to be launched in 2010, which will cater to the professional military education requirements for junior SAF officers on local study awards.

For the Ministry of Home Affairs, RSIS continues to teach the regional security module for the Singapore Police Force Command and Staff Course. Conducted annually at Home Team Academy, this module

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was specially customized to provide the officers with the necessary skills to identify and analyze the significant regional developments that impact on Singapore's security and stability, in preparation for their roles in key management positions. Participants who successfully complete both the module as well as the overall course are awarded the RSIS Certificate in Regional Security. RSIS has also begun explorations with the Ministry to upgrade its module in the Home Team Senior Command and Staff Course to be accreditable towards an RSIS Master of Science degree.

RSIS also continued its long-standing support of the training programmes conducted by the Singapore Civil Defence Force. This year, RSIS faculty taught at the ninth run of the Senior Staff Course, a bi-annual programme for their top-level officers. This year saw a renewed focus on topics such as counter-terrorism, racial harmony and national security.

Apart from these courses, which are part of long-standing contractual relationships between RSIS and the respective ministries, RSIS also conducts a number of courses on an ad hoc basis. In 2009, the School was approached by the Centre for Emergency Preparedness and Technical Cooperation of the Homefront Security Division to conduct specific sessions for one of their workshops, the first in a new series of crisis management workshops targeted at the hospitality sector. Faculty from the Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) and the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR) were involved in view of their cutting-edge research in recent hotel bombings overseas.

RSIS has also taught key strategic and foreign-policy lessons at milestone programmes conducted by the Institute of Policy Development, held at the Civil Service College. This year, key members of the School were also invited to conduct policy fora on the recent political developments in the region. RSIS faculty also continued to teach in the course on "Singapore's Security Challenges and Policies" conducted by its sister institute, the Institute of Public Administration and Management.

Networking at RSIS

RSIS centres and research programmes are expanding their networks. In 2009, the School organized or co-organized with other institutions 27 international conferences and workshops, 24 lectures and talks and 68 seminars. Details of these activities are found in Annex C, Annex D and Annex E, respectively. The School continues to host visits by command and staff colleges and defence, security and foreign affairs officials from the Asia-Pacific.

MULTILATERAL NETWORKING FOR REGIONAL SECURITY

Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP)

RSIS continues to serve as Secretariat for CSCAP-Singapore. It is currently one of the co-chairmen of the Study Group on the Safety and Security of Off-Shore Oil and Gas Installations, which is scheduled to meet in the first quarter of 2010. CSCAP Singapore also hosted the first meeting of the Study Group on Implications on Naval Enhancement in the Asia-Pacific in May 2009. This Naval Enhancement Study Group is focusing on current initiatives in naval/maritime cooperation, identifying possible risk/costs of naval enhancement, identifying common interests and methodologies for enhancing naval cooperation. CSCAP-Singapore continues to actively participate in the Security Implications of Climate Change Study Group and the Countering the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction in



CSCAP Study Group conference on "Naval Enhancement" held on 25-26 May 2009

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the Asia Pacific Study Group and is moving to play an active role in the newly established Study Group on the Responsibility to Protect. CSCAP-Singapore also provided funding support to host the Seventh General Conference in Jakarta on 16–18 November 2009.

Network of ASEAN Defence and Security Institutions (NADI)

In July 2009, RSIS convened a NADI workshop on maritime security and launched the website of NADI, which RSIS is maintaining. NADI was in-

augurated in Singapore in August 2007 to bring together defence policy institutions in ASEAN to provide Track II support to ASEAN defence officials and ministers. The workshop focused on maritime security challenges confronting ASEAN and exchanged



Senior Fellow Mr. Tan Seng Chye (left), chairing the NADI workshop on maritime security, 27–29 July 2009

views on possible areas of cooperation among ASEAN militaries in maritime security. The third NADI meeting is scheduled to be held in Vietnam in 2010.

Sentosa Roundtable on Asian Security, 19–20 March 2009

The third Sentosa Roundtable on Asian Security built on its earlier deliberations and focussed on the functional aspects of regional security architecture and challenges to the building of a viable regional architecture.

Third Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO), 12–17 April 2009

The programme brought together officers from the Asia-Pacific engaged in homeland security to discuss about risk management, uncertainty, community relations and radicalization, disaster management and recovery from trauma under the conference theme of “Thinking Intelligently about Risk”.

Piracy and Sea Robbery Conference, 22 April 2009, Singapore

Jointly organized by RSIS, the ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre and the Roundtable Group of International Shipping Associations, the conference was held during the Singapore Maritime Week and coincided with Sea Asia. The conference brought together the different perspectives of and responses towards piracy and armed robbery from the various stakeholders.

First International Maritime Security Conference, 13–14 May 2009

Jointly organized by RSIS, the Republic of Singapore Navy and SingExhibitions, the conference was held concurrently with the 7th International Maritime Defence Exhibition (IMDEX) Asia. It provided a broad overview of global and regional maritime issues.

Eighth IISS Asia Security Conference: The Shangri-la Dialogue, 29–31 May 2009

As with earlier conferences in this series, RSIS supported the International Institute for Strategic Studies, London, in hosting this dialogue, which brought together again senior policymakers, policy analysts and academics to review the security environment in the region on what has come to be known as a Track 1.5 event.



President S R Nathan meeting Mr. Lee Sang-Nee, the Korean Minister of National Defence, during the dinner he hosted on 30 May 2009 for delegates to the IISS's Asia Security Conference

DPM and Minister for Defence, Mr. Teo Chee Hean, with the two Vietnamese participants of the 11th APPSMO organized by RSIS



Asia Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO), 3–10 August 2009

The programme, the eleventh in the series, brought together senior military officers from the region to network and to learn about recent developments on the strategic and security landscape of the region, and to discuss the prospects for regional security cooperation. As in previous programmes, this year's event brought together a stellar cast of speakers.

OTHER NETWORKING ACTIVITIES

Networking for Non-Traditional Security

In 2009, RSIS's Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies received a grant of US\$2.2 million from the John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to coordinate a cluster of seven research institutes and spearhead research on non-traditional security issues confronting Asia, in particular, climate change, environment and human security, energy security and internal conflicts. Together with other funding, the centre has been able to bring in visiting fellows as well as post-doctoral fellows to strengthen the research capacity of the centre.

In 2009, the Centre for NTS Studies organized international confer-

ences on “Pandemic Preparedness in Asia” (12–13 January 2009); “Energy Security in Southeast Asia and Beyond: From Competition to Cooperation” (20–22 October 2009); “Climate Insecurities, Human Security and Social Resilience” (27–28 August 2009). As the Secretariat for the Consortium of Non-Traditional Security Studies in Asia funded by the Ford Foundation, the centre also hosted the third NTS-Asia Convention on 3–4 November to review climate change, conflict, natural disasters and other NTS challenges confronting the region.

Networking for Homeland Security and Terrorism Research

RSIS’s International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR) and the Religious Rehabilitation Group jointly organized the inaugural International Conference on Terrorist Rehabilitation on 24–26 January 2009. The conference brought together the leading practitioners and scholars on terrorist rehabilitation to share what are global best practices. The ICPVTR continued its work on countering the Financing of Terrorism with workshops in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, on 14–16 January 2009 at the invitation of the Government of Uzbekistan. The centre also convened with the Association of Banks in Singapore its annual seminar on Countering the Financing of Terrorism on 5 March 2009.

RSIS’s Centre of Excellence for National Security organized a workshop on “The Nation: Narratives and Community” on 2 March 2009, which brought together scholars to critically evaluate the role of national narratives in shaping national identity or identities.

Networking for Trade and Negotiations

In 2009, the Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations (TFCTN) organized various workshops and programmes that also served as platforms for networking purposes. The World Trade Organization-TFCTN Parliamentarian Workshop on 9–12 June 2009 brought together Members of Parliaments from Asia to discuss trade issues. The TFCTN Executive Programme on 3 August – 11 September 2009 brought together mid-level trade government officials from Asia to share and exchange ideas on the subject of trade negotiations.

BILATERAL LINKS

RSIS's centres and programmes expanded their networks with their Chinese and Indian counterparts in 2009. Under its China Programme, RSIS hosted Visiting Fellows from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and the National Defence University. In October 2009, an RSIS team led by the Dean, Ambassador Barry Desker, visited five Beijing policy institutions and Asia research centres in the key Beijing universities. In addition to reviewing institutional links between RSIS and the Chinese institutions and prospects for future cooperation, the team also had wide ranging and substantive exchanges on the emerging Asian regional architecture, ASEAN-China relations and maritime security in the South China Sea.

The China Programme also organized (with funding support from the China-ASEAN Fund) a workshop in early October to explore China's regional and provincial approaches to ASEAN. The workshop was organized in support of the China-ASEAN Think Tank Strategic Dialogue



Dean Barry Desker speaking at the International Seminar organized in conjunction with the inauguration of the Indonesian Defence University, Jakarta, 11–12 March 2009

meeting in Nanning, Guangxi, in October 2009. The China Programme also hosted a bilateral seminar with the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences on maritime security in the South China Sea in September 2009.

RSIS is working on extending its relations with Indian policy institutions. Under its South Asia Programme, the school will be hosting Visiting Fellows from the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses and the United Services Institute in the first quarter of 2010. The National Maritime Foundation hosted an RSIS team for our third joint meeting in New Delhi at the end of November 2009.

RSIS supported the Indonesian Defence University when it hosted its first international seminar on 11–12 March in Jakarta. The School will continue to provide advice and support to the Indonesian Defence University as it moves to launch its teaching and research programmes. RSIS's Indonesia Programme is already in the midst of assisting the university organize its second international seminar in conjunction with its first anniversary.

RSIS continued to work with the Brenthurst Foundation to bring a team



Members of RSIS and Warwick University present at the launch of the NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme and the concurrent workshops on Non-Traditional Security, Homeland Security and International Political Economy

VISITORS TO RSIS IN 2009

Delegation comprising the Graduate School Committee of Kasetsart University, Thailand, led by Dr. Nuchanata Mungkung (left), 6 February 2009



Delegation from the New Zealand External Assessment Bureau led by Mr. Gregory Baugher (third from left), 10 February 2009



Delegation from the Strategic Research Institute, National Defence Institute, Thailand, led by Major General Wisith Jeangprajak, 17 February 2009





Delegation from the Indian National Defence College led by Shri Ashok Kumar Sharma (front, sixth from left), 25 September 2009



Mr. Lee Soon-chun, Chancellor of the Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Korea, 1 June 2009



Delegation from the International Relations Institute of Cambodia led by Dr. Sok Touch (right), 25 February 2009



Delegation from the Australian Department of Defence led by Brigadier David Coghlan (third from left), 5 June 2009

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Delegation from the Australian Defence and Strategic Studies led by Group Captain Otto Halupka (centre), 12 June 2009



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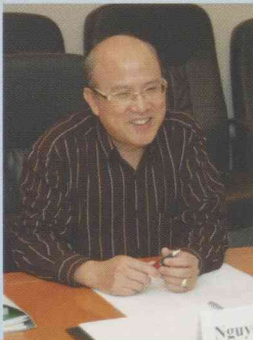


Lieutenant General Benoit Puga, head of the French military intelligence agency Direction de Renseignement Militaire (DRM), 8 July 2009

Networking



Delegation from the Swedish Ministry of Defence led by Mr. Hakan Jevrell (second from left), 3 November 2009



Senior Colonel Nguyen Duc Thinh, who led a study Team from the Vietnamese People's Army, 27 May 2009



Delegation from the Chinese Institute of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) led by Ms Li Huiying (front, second from left), 25 November 2009



Delegation from the Joint Staff College of Japan led by Rear Admiral Tatsuro Uyeda (second from left), 25 November 2009

of African policymakers to Singapore on 15–19 February. The 2009 visit was again led by Dr. Greg Mills, Director of the Brenthurst Foundation, and brought to Singapore a group of African policymakers and leading members of the business community to study the Singapore experience in transforming itself in the last 40 years.

RSIS launched its collaboration with the Politics and International Studies Department of the University of Warwick for an NTU-Warwick Double Masters Degree Programme in International Studies on 2–3 November. The launch of the Double Masters Programme took place amidst three joint workshops between RSIS and Warwick on Non-Traditional Security, International Political Economy and Homeland Security.

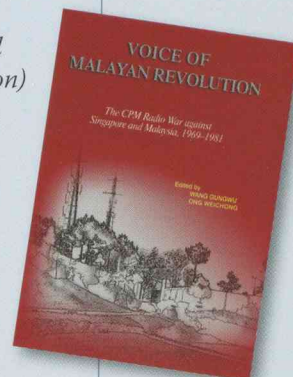
Policy-makers from Africa with Mr. Ngiam Tong Dow (sixth from left) after a roundtable at RSIS on 16 February 2009. Dean Barry Desker is on his right



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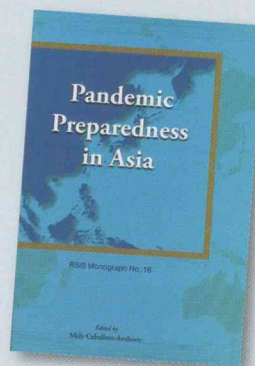
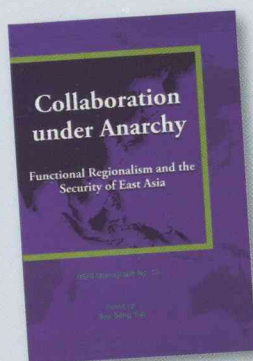
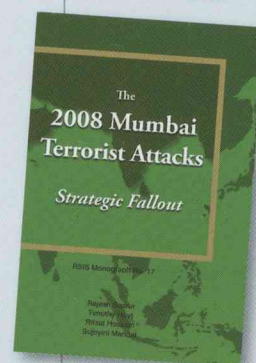
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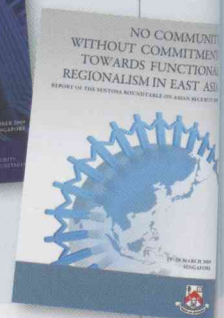
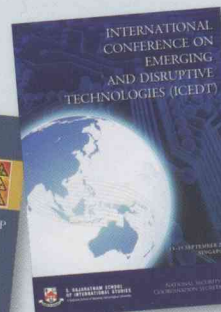
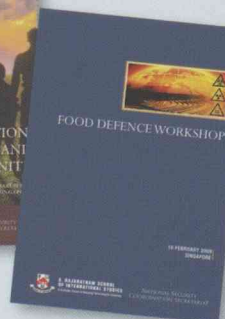
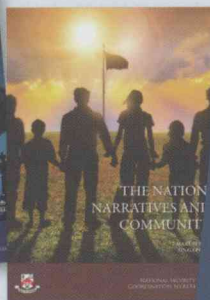
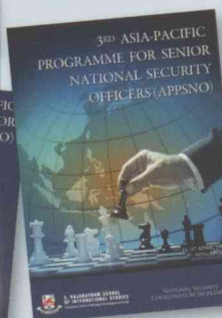
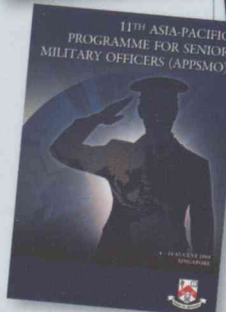
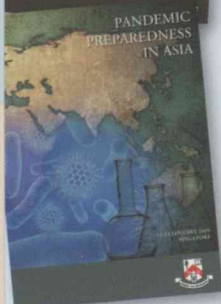
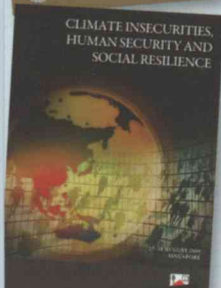
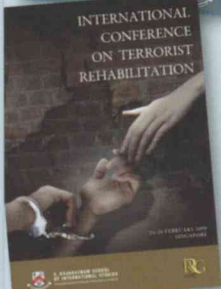
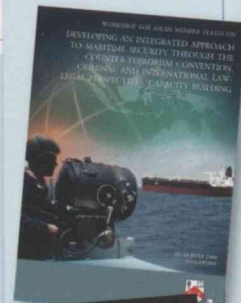
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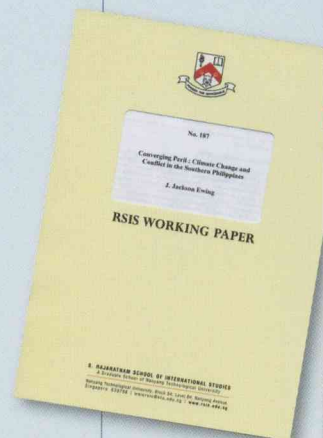
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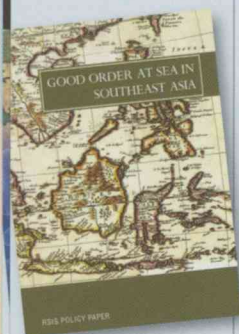
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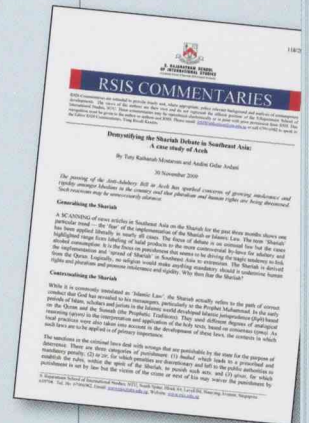
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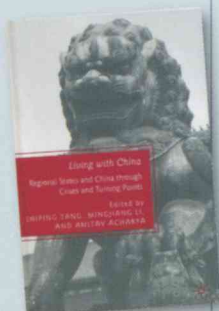
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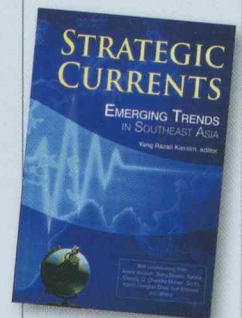
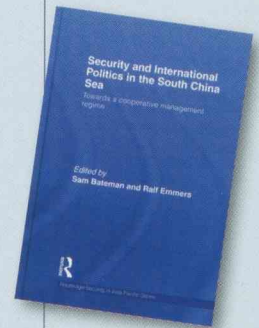
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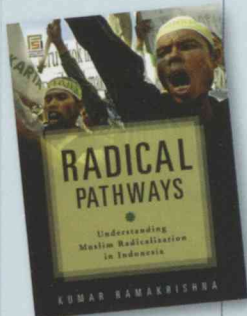
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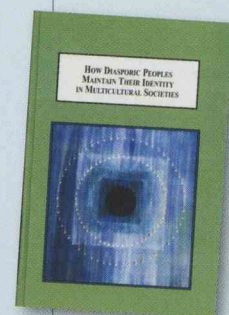
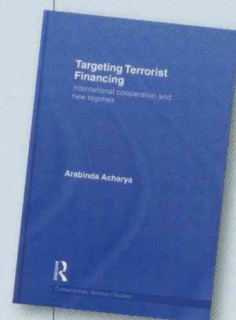
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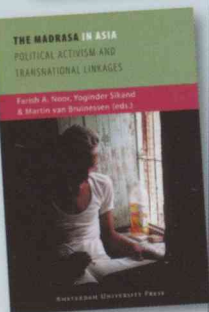
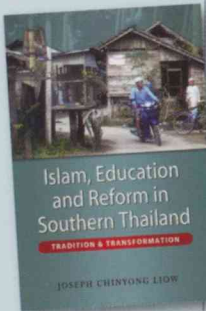
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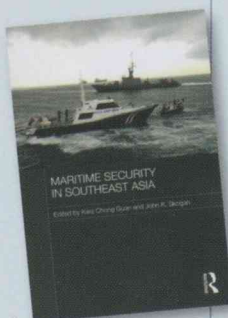
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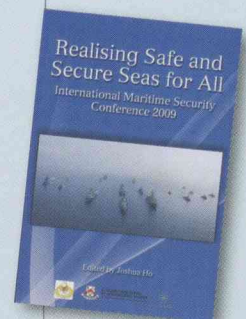
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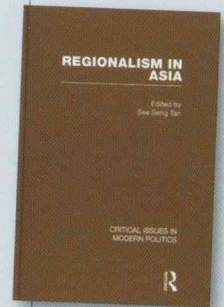
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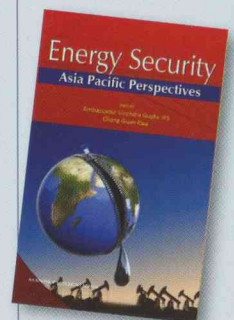
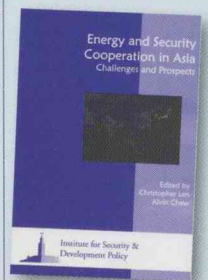
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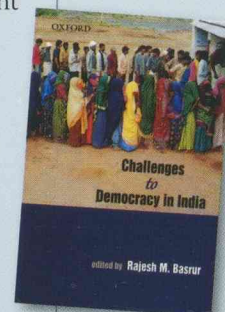
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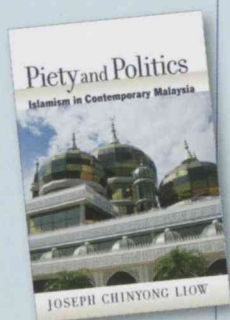
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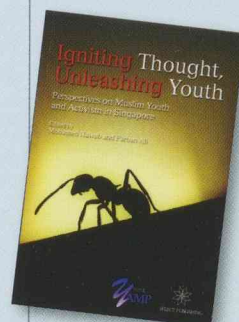
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23. Workshop on “Radicalization / De-Radicalization: Global Lessons Learned”, organized by the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS, and the Warwick International Security Initiative, University of Warwick, 2–3 November 2009
24. Workshop on “A New Agenda for a Post-Crisis World”, organized by the Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations, RSIS, and the Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation, University of Warwick, 4 November 2009
25. “Third NTS-Asia Annual Convention”, organized by the Centre for NTS Studies, RSIS, on 3–4 November 2009
26. Workshop on “Regional Security Cooperation – Building Institutional Coherence in Asia’s Security Architecture: The Role of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)” organized by the Centre for NTS Studies, RSIS, and The MacArthur Foundation, 24–25 November 2009
27. Workshop on “Terrorist Rehabilitation Implementation 2009” organized by International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, RSIS, 25–30 November 2009

RSIS Lectures and Talks

RSIS organizes public lectures and colloquiums that are attended by a broad cross-section of the public that includes policymakers, foreign diplomats, civil servants, journalists, businessmen and students. The lectures and colloquiums organized in 2009 are listed below under the following categories.

- Distinguished World Leaders Lecture Series
- Strategic Trends in the 21st Century Colloquium Series
- Distinguished Public Lecture Series
- Developments in Indonesia Public Lecture Series

Distinguished World Leaders Lecture Series

*H.E. Dr. Yukio
Hatoyama*



1. His Excellency Dr. Yukio Hatoyama, Prime Minister of Japan, on "Japan's New Commitment to Asia – Toward the Realization of an East Asian Community", 15 November 2009
2. His Excellency Dr Jose Ramos-Horta, President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, on "The Obama Promise: Opportunities and Challenges in Asia", 17 December 2009

Strategic Trends in the 21st Century Colloquium Series

*Professor Vinod K.
Aggarwal*



*Professor Bruce
Hoffman*



1. Professor Vinod K. Aggarwal, NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations, RSIS; Professor in the Department of Political Science, Affiliated Professor of Business and Public Policy in the Haas School of Business; and Director of the Berkeley Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Study Center (BASC) at the University of California at Berkeley; on "The Current Financial Crisis in Historical Perspective", 13 March 2009
2. Professor Stephen M. Walt, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, on "The Silver Lining: An Optimistic View of Contemporary World Politics", 25 March 2009
3. Professor Bruce Hoffman, S. Rajaratnam Professor of Strategic Studies, RSIS, and Professor of Security Studies Program, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, on "Al Qaeda's Grand Strategy Eight Years into the War on Terrorism", 11 August 2009

Distinguished Public Lecture Series

1. Dr. Eliyahu McLean, Co-director of Jerusalem Peacemakers, on "The Role of Inter-religious Dialogue in Resolving Peace in Jerusalem", 12 January 2009
2. Mr. David Malone, President, International Development Research Centre, on "Does the Elephant Dance? Some Speculations on Contemporary Indian Foreign Policy", 16 January 2009
3. Professor Vinod K. Aggarwal, NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations, RSIS; Professor in the Department of Political Science, Affiliated Professor of Business and Public Policy in the Haas School of Business; and Director of the Berkeley Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Study Center (BASC) University of California, Berkeley; on "Look West: The Evolution of U.S. Trade Policy Toward Asia", 16 March 2009
4. Dr. Ali Allawi, Former Minister of Finance, Defence and Trade of Iraq, Senior Associate Member, St. Antony's College, Oxford University, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Princeton University, Honorary Fellow, Institute for Arab and Islamic Studies, Exeter University, on "In Search of Islam's Civilisation", 21 May 2009
5. Sir Ian Blair, Former Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, UK, on "The Evolution of Community Policing and its Relevance to Countering Terrorism", 11 June 2009
6. The Honorable Michael Chertoff, Co-Founder & Managing Principal of the Chertoff Group, Washington, D.C., and former US Secretary of Homeland Security; and Mr. Chad Sweet, Co-Founder & Managing Principal of the Chertoff Group New York, Washington, D.C., and former Chief of Staff, Department of Homeland Security, on "The Future of Homeland Security and The Role of Intelligence in Homeland Security", 22 June 2009
7. Datuk Nur Jazlan Mohamed, Member of Parliament, Pulau Parliamentary Constituency; Head of UMNO's Pulau Division; and Chairman Pulau Division, Barisan Nasional; on "Recent Political Developments in Malaysia", 26 June 2009
8. Mr. Juan Carlos Zarate, Senior Adviser to the Center for Strategic and International Studies, and former US Deputy National Security Advisor for Combating Terrorism on "The Demise of Al-Qaeda: The Evolving Threat and Coming Challenges", 9 July 2009
9. Peter Schwartz, Co-Founder and Chairman of Global Business Network, a Monitor Group Company, on "Geopolitical Futures: Perceptions and Realities", 28 July 2009



The Honourable Michael Chertoff (right) and Mr. Chad Sweet (left) with Professor Rohan Gunaratna of RSIS

10. The Honorable Richard L. Armitage, President of Armitage International and former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State, on "U.S., Asia and Beyond", 29 July 2009



Mr. Marc Sageman

11. Dr Ben O'Loughlin, Reader, International Relations, Royal Holloway, University of London, on "The Emergence of Diffused War", 22 October 2009
12. Dato Mustafa Ali, Secretary-General, Parti Islam Se-Malaysia (PAS), on "Recent Development in PAS and Pakatan Rakyat", 5 November 2009
13. Mr. Marc Sageman, an independent researcher on terrorism and the found of Sageman Consulting, LLC, on "The Turn to Political Violence", 12 November 2009

Developments in Indonesia Public Lecture Series

1. Dr. R. William Liddle, Professor of Political Science at Ohio State University, on "Voting Behavior in Indonesia's 2009 Election", 23 January 2009
2. Seminar by Ibu Sri Nuryanti, Member of the Indonesian General Election Commission (KPU); Dr. Yudi Latif, Executive Director of The Reform Institute, Jakarta; and Ibu Wirnyaningsih, Member of the Indonesian Election Supervisory Board (Bawaslu); on "Indonesia's 2009 General Elections: Framework and Challenges", 12 February 2009



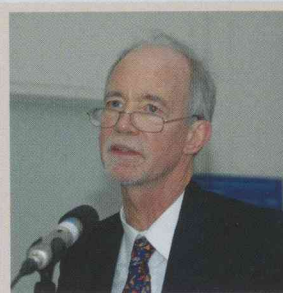
H.E. Professor Dr.
Boediono

3. HE Professor Dr. Boediono, Vice President Designate, Republic of Indonesia, on "Indonesia Beyond the 2009 Elections: Prospects and Challenges", 28 July 2009
4. Professor Martin Van Bruinessen, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, RSIS, on "Indonesian Islam after Suharto: Islamism and Local Cultural Resistance in a Peripheral Region", 2 December 2009
5. Dr. Nasir Tamara, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, on "100 Days of President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono's Presidency: Major Political Turbulence?", 8 December 2009
6. Professor Martin Van Bruinessen, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, on "What happened to the smiling face of Indonesian Islam? 'Liberal', 'progressive' and 'post-traditional' Islam in the post-Suharto era", 10 December 2009

RSIS Seminars and Roundtables

Seminars and roundtables are held within RSIS on a wide variety of topics related to security, defence, diplomacy and international relations. The speakers at these events have included academics, political leaders, analysts and diplomats. Seminars and roundtables are held in a congenial atmosphere to facilitate a free exchange of views. Listed below are the seminars and roundtables held in RSIS in 2009.

1. Professor T. V. Paul, James McGill Professor of International Relations in the Department of Political Science at McGill University, Montreal, Canada, on "Weak States and South Asia's Insecurity Predicament", 6 January 2009
2. Ambassador Ong Keng Yong, Ambassador-At-Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Director of the Institute of Policy Studies, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, on "Diplomacy in ASEAN and Challenges Facing ASEAN in the Coming Decade", 14 January 2009
3. Dr. Christian Enemark, Lecturer, Centre for International Security, University of Sydney, Director of the National Centre for Biosecurity, a cross-disciplinary collaboration of the Australian National University and the University of Sydney, on "Law in the Time of Anthrax: U.S. and Australian Perspectives"; Dr. James Gillespie, Deputy Director, Menzies Centre for Health Policy and Sesquicentennial Senior Lecturer in Health Policy, School of Public Health, University of Sydney, Australia, on "Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis and the Securitization of Illness: Australia and Papua New Guinea"; Dr. Jenny-Ann Toribio, Senior Lecturer, Epidemiology, at the Faculty of Veterinary Science, University of Sydney, on "Avian Influenza Risk: Animal and Human Dimensions"; and Mr. Jonathan Herington, Project Officer (Biosecurity), Centre for International Security Studies, University of Sydney, on "Synthetic Genomics: International Governance of an Emerging Technology", 14 January 2009
4. HE Dr. S Jaishankar, High Commissioner of India to Singapore, on "India and the Challenges of Creative Diplomacy", 15 January 2009
5. Mr. David Malone, President of Canada's International Development Research Centre, on "The Role of Professional Schools of International Affairs and the Think Tank Issues We Should Focus On", 16 January 2009
6. Dr. Pervaiz Iqbal Cheema, President, Islamabad Policy Research Institute, on "The India Pakistan Peace Process After Mumbai", 20 January 2009
7. Dr. Robert Ayson, Senior Fellow, Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, and Director of Studies, Graduate Studies in Strategy and Defence, Australian National University, on "Community, Concert or Coalition: Approaches to Order Between Asia's Major Powers", 2 February 2009



Mr. David Malone

8. Mr. Geoffrey Yu, Senior Specialist Adviser in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Law, on "Role of International Civil Servants in Multilateral Negotiations", 5 February 2009
9. Dr. Thomas Stow Wilkins, Lecturer, Centre of International Security Studies, Faculty of Economics and Business, The University of Sydney, on "Systems of Alignment in the Asia-Pacific", 5 February 2009
10. Dr. David Milliot, Political and Economic Advisor to the EU Ambassador to Vietnam, on "Europe-Asia Relations", 6 February 2009 (organized jointly with EUC)
11. Ambassador Rodolfo C. Severino, Head of ASEAN Studies Centre and Visiting Senior Fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, on "The ASEAN Charter and the Building of an ASEAN Community", 9 February 2009



Dr. A Saj U. Mendis



Mr. Gareth Evans

12. Dr. A Saj U. Mendis, Deputy High Commissioner, High Commission of Sri Lanka to Singapore, on "Corporate Negotiations", 11 February 2009
13. Dr. William C. Thomas, Visiting Senior Fellow and Fulbright Scholar at RSIS, on "Options for Strengthening U.S.-Southeast Asian Security Relations", 18 February 2009
14. Mr. Richard P. Lawless, Former US Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Asian and Pacific Security Affairs), on "The New Nuclear Energy Order: Regional Implications and Concerns", 20 February 2009
15. Dr. Robert Beckman, Associate Professor at the NUS Law School, on "Somali Piracy – Is International Law Part of the Problem or Part of the Solution?", 23 February 2009
16. Mr. Gareth Evans, President and CEO of the International Crisis Group, Book Launch on "The Responsibility to Protect – Ending Mass Atrocity Crimes Once and For All", 4 March 2009
17. Mr. Tarek Fatah, Canadian Muslim Author, Founder of the Muslim Canadian Congress, on "Muslim Societies and Universal Human Rights", 6 March 2009
18. Professor Vinod K. Aggarwal, NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations, RSIS; Professor in the Department of Political Science, Affiliated Professor of Business and Public Policy in the Haas School of Business; and Director of the Berkeley Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Study Center (BASC) University of California, Berkeley; on "The Perils of Consensus: How ASEAN's Meta-Regime Undermines Economic and Environmental Cooperation", 9 March 2009

19. Ambassador Joergen Oerstroem Moeller, Visiting Senior Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS) and Former Danish Ambassador to Singapore, on "Integration of Small States in Regional Organisations", 11 March 2009
20. HE Ilan Ben-Dov, Ambassador of Israel to Singapore, on "Israel's Foreign Policy and its Relations with Neighbours", 18 March 2009
21. Dr. Eric Germain, Researcher, Paris Institut for the Study of Islam and the Societies of the Muslim World, on "The Ahmadi Community of Southeast Asia", 23 March 2009
22. Dr. Ashley J. Tellis, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, on "Geopolitics in an Age of Globalization", 23 March 2009
23. Professor Stephen M. Walt, Robert and Renée Belfer Professor of International Affairs, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, on "What Have I Learned in 30 Years?: Virtues and Vices of International Relations Theory", 24 March 2009
24. Roundtable by Professor Vinod K. Aggarwal, NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations, RSIS; Professor and Director, Berkeley APEC Study Center, UC Berkeley; Professor Khong Yuen Foong, Professor of International Relations, Oxford University and Senior Research Adviser, RSIS; Professor C Raja Mohan, Professor of South Asian Studies, RSIS; Dr. Ashley J. Tellis, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and Professor Stephen M. Walt, Robert and Renée Belfer Professor of International Affairs, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, on "The First 100 Days of the Obama Administration: Foreign and Security Policy Trajectories", 26 March 2009
25. Dr. Prabhakaran Paleri, Visiting Senior Fellow, RSIS, on "The Capacities of Coast Guards to Deal with Maritime Challenges in Southeast Asia", 27 March 2009
26. Dr. Farish Noor, Senior Fellow, RSIS, on "The Tablighi Jamaat and its Complex Relationship with Politics"; Dr. Ahmad Fauzi Abdul Hamid, Senior Lecturer in Political Science at the School of Distance Education, Universiti Sains Malaysia, Penang, Malaysia, on "Civil Society during Abdullah Badawi's Tenure as Prime Minister"; Mr. Mohamed Nawab Bin Mohamed Osman, Associate Research Fellow, RSIS, on "Positioning Hizbut Tahrir Within the Malaysian Political Landscape"; and Ms. Sophie Lemiere, Ph.D. candidate at the Sciences-Po/CERI Paris, on "The Jamaah Islah Malaysia: From Dakwah to Political Influence", 30 March 2009
27. Mr. Mustafa Kasim Erol, Ph.D. candidate at Birmingham University, on "Islamic Education in Turkey: Challenges and Prospects", 3 April 2009



Dr. Ashley J. Tellis

28. Professor Gérard Hervouet, Director of the International Peace and Security Program; Institut québécois des hautes études Internationales; Pavillon Charles De Koninck; Université Laval. Québec (Qc) Canada, on "War in Afghanistan. Canada: An Essential Partner", 8 April 2009
29. Mr. Bilahari Kausikan, Second Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, on "Challenges in East Asia Architecture – Implications for ASEAN", 15 April 2009
30. Ambassador Michael Tay, Executive Director, APEC Secretariat, on "APEC's Role in Regional Development – Challenges and Prospects", 16 April 2009
31. Sulastri Bte Osman, Research Analyst, RSIS, and Dr. Carl Ungerer, Australian Strategic Policy Institute, on Launch of the RSIS-ASPI Special Report on "Countering Internet Radicalisation in Southeast Asia" and Seminar on "How Vulnerable are Our Youth to Extremism in Cyberspace?", 23 April 2009
32. Ambassador Barry Desker, Dean of RSIS; Ambassador Rodolfo C. Severino, Head of the ASEAN Studies Centre at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies; Dr. Sam Bateman, Senior Fellow, RSIS; Dr. Tan See Seng, Associate Professor, RSIS; and Dr. Ian Storey, Fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies; on Launch of the RSIS Policy Paper on "Good Order at Sea in Southeast Asia", 6 May 2009



Dr. Ali Allawi

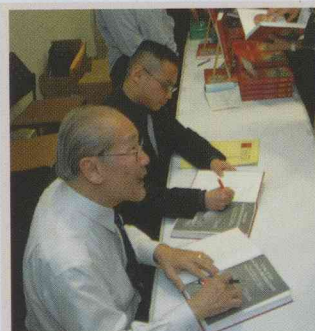


Dr. Tai Ming Cheung

33. Dr. Ali Allawi, Former Minister of Finance, Defence and Trade of Iraq; Senior Associate Member, St. Antony's College, Oxford University; Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Princeton University; and Honorary Fellow, Institute for Arab and Islamic Studies, Exeter University; on "Picking Up the Pieces: Iraq and the Middle East in the Obama Era", 20 May 2009
34. Dr. Elizabeth Wishnick, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Law at Montclair State University and an Adjunct Associate Research Scholar at the Weatherhead East Asia Institute, Columbia University, on "The September 2008 Melamine Crisis in China: Implications for US-China Relations", 25 May 2009

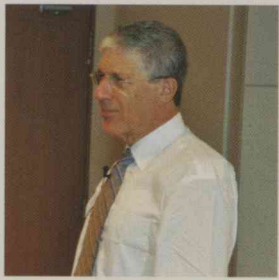
35. Dr. Tai Ming Cheung, Senior Research Fellow, University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, on "Reforming China's Defense Science, Technology and Industrial Base: Can It Catch Up?", 27 May 2009

36. Dr. Deborah Elms, Head, Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations, on "Understanding the Financial and Economic Crisis", 28 May 2009
37. Dr. Zafar Nawaz Jaspal, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan, on "Recruitment of Terrorists in Europe and Linkages with Pakistan", 1 June 2009
38. Dr. Zafar Nawaz Jaspal, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan, on "WMD Terrorism and Pakistan: Counter-Terrorism", 2 June 2009
39. Dr. R. Bhanu Krishna Kiran, An Independent Researcher in International Law and Strategic Studies, on "Rights and Responsibilities of Parties under UNCLOS in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and Continental Shelf", 8 June 2009
40. Sir Ian Blair, Former Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, UK, on "The Evolution of Community Policing and its Relevance to Countering Terrorism", 11 June 2009
41. Captain John Gilman, Navy Reserve, U.S. Marshals Service, on "Small vs. Big Footprint: U.S. Roles in the Philippines, Afghanistan and Beyond", 29 June 2009
42. Mr. Yongwook Ryu, Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Government at Harvard University, on "Identity Politics and Territorial Disputes in East Asia", 24 July 2009
43. Ms. Jolene Jerard, Associate Research Fellow, RSIS, and Ms. Fatima Astuti, Research Analyst, RSIS, on "The Threat to Hotels: Lessons from the Jakarta Attacks", 27 July 2009
44. BG (Retd.) Dani Arditi, former Chairman of the National Security Council of the State of Israel, on "Israel's Geostrategic Challenges", 11 August 2009
45. Professor Wang Gungwu, Chairman, East Asian Institute, National University of Singapore, and Mr. Ong Weichong, Associate Research Fellow, RSIS, on "Voice of Malayan Revolution" Book Launch, 12 August 2009
46. BG (Retd.) Dani Arditi, former Chairman of the National Security Council of the State of Israel, on "The Second Lebanon War 2006 and Operation Cast Lead 2008/9: Lessons Learned", 17 August 2009
47. BG (Retd.) Dani Arditi, former Chairman of the National Security Council of the State of Israel, on "National Assessment Methodologies", 18 August 2009



Professor Wang Gungwu (left) and Mr. Ong Weichong

48. Colonel (Retd.) Christopher Chua, Secretary-General of the Singapore Red Cross, on "The Humanitarian Work of the Red Cross", 19 August 2009
49. Dr. Evelyn Goh, Reader in International Relations at Royal Holloway, University of London, on "The Struggle for Order in Asia: Hegemony, Resistance, and Transition, 1989–2009", 1 September 2009
50. Bilateral between RSIS and the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences on "South China Sea: Issues, Big Power Relations and Others", 11 September 2009



Professor Michael
B. Yahuda

51. Professor Michael B. Yahuda, Professor Emeritus of International Relations at the London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, on "The Changing Political Architecture of the Asia-Pacific", 23 September 2009
52. Dr. Mohammed Badrul Alam, Professor, Department of Political Science, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi, on "Japan-India Relations Today: A Tectonic Shift?", 2 October 2009
53. Dr. Gerard Chaliand, Visiting Professor, RSIS, on "Barak Obama's Strategy in the Greater Middle East: Israel/ Palestine, Iraq and Afpak", 7 October 2009
54. Mr. See Chak Mun, Senior Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, on "Negotiations in WTO and GATT – Challenges and Prospects", 8 October 2009
55. Ken Lewis, Former Representative of Canada in Kandahar, on "An Update on Kandahar", 14 October 2009
56. Mr. Geoffrey Yu, Senior Specialist Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Law, on "Multilateral IP Institutions and Negotiations and Implications for Small States", 14 October 2009
57. Mr. Marc Sageman, an independent researcher on terrorism and the founder of Sageman Consulting, LLC, on "Global Neo-Jihadi Terrorism in the West", 30 October 2009
58. Don Pathan, Regional News Editor, *The Nation*, Thailand, "New Generation, Old Grievances: Insurgency in Southern Thailand", 3 November 2009
59. Matthew Alexander, author of "How to Break a Terrorist: The U.S. Interrogators Who Used Brains, Not Brutality, to Take Down the Deadliest Man in Iraq", on "Interrogations: Past, Present, and Future", 4 November 2009
60. Mr. Marc Sageman, an independent researcher on terrorism and the founder of Sageman Consulting, LLC, on "Political Implications of International Migrations", 5 November 2009

61. Mr. Marc Sageman, an independent researcher on terrorism and the founder of Sageman Consulting, LLC, on "Policy Implications from the Leaderless Jihad", 9 November 2009
62. Mr. Khoo Chin Hean, Executive Director, Energy Studies Institute, on "Energy Security – Implications for East Asia and ASEAN", 10 November 2009
63. Mr. Marc Sageman, an independent researcher on terrorism and the founder of Sageman Consulting, LLC, on "Dealing with Internet Radicalization: Some Practical Suggestions", 11 November 2009
64. HE Zhang Xiaokang, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to Singapore, on "China's Foreign Policy and Its Diplomacy and Relations with East Asia", 17 November 2009
65. Dr. Rodolfo Severino, Head of ASEAN Studies, ISEAS, on "ASEAN Charter and Efforts to Build an ASEAN Community", 23 November 2009
66. Ambassador Ong Keng Yong, Director, Institute for Policy Studies, and Non-resident Ambassador to Iran, on "Diplomacy in ASEAN and Challenges Facing ASEAN in this Decade", 3 December 2009
67. Dr. Maximo Q. Mejia Jr., Assistant Professor in Maritime Law and Policy at the World Maritime University, on "Adequacy of International Legal Regimes to Fight Maritime Crimes", 9 December 2009
68. Mr. Jaime Ho, Singapore's Deputy Permanent Representative to the WTO, on "Restructuring the World Trade Organization", 17 December 2009

Forthcoming Events

Conference on Maritime Challenges and Priorities in Asia, 20–21 January 2010

The conference aims to look at ways to improve good order at sea by first examining the challenges and the different priorities that regional countries place on maritime affairs, and then by acknowledging these interests to examine areas of collaboration and cooperation that could be feasible which would address the interests of most states and not undermine the core interests of any particular state. As not all states share the same interests, mapping these individual interests and priorities can also facilitate bilateral cooperation as long as it does not undermine the collective interest of the entire group. The individual state's challenges and priorities are highlighted by presentations and papers made by participants from each state. Thereafter, the examination of possible areas of collaboration will be done under different break-out sessions that will be divided into three themes: the sea as a medium of dominion, the sea as a resource and the sea as a medium of transportation and exchange.

Singapore-U.S. Strategic Dialogue, 20–22 January 2010

Together with the Center for a New American Security, RSIS will be organizing the Singapore-U.S. Strategic Dialogue on 20–22 January 2010. This is the second time that the dialogue will be held. It forms part of a continuing exchange between members of the Singaporean and American community on matters of common and global interest. Subjects to be discussed include bilateral relations, the evolving regional security architecture, trade and economic concerns, and non-traditional security issues. Senior officials as well as members of the academic, corporate and policy communities will be engaged in the dialogue.

Seminar on President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono's First 100 Days in Office, 26 January 2010

To be organized by the Indonesia Programme, this seminar on "An Evaluation of the Yudhoyono Administration's First 100 Days in Office" will feature three noted Indonesian analysts, who will speak on developments in Indonesia relating to politics, economics and security.

Fifth Asia-Pacific Security Conference (APSEC), 31 January–1 February 2010

RSIS and Singapore Airshow & Events Pte. Ltd. will jointly organize this biennial conference on 31 January – 1 February 2010 in conjunction with

the Singapore Airshow. The theme for the conference will be “The Evolution of Military Power in the 21st Century”. There will be two panels, which will address the topics “Asia-Pacific Military Modernization” and “The Future of Airpower”. Guest speakers, including top scholars as well as senior security and defence analysts and officials, will share their insights on the transformation of military organizations in the Asia-Pacific region and examine how these military organizations can maximize scarce defence resources to keep pace with the global trend of fast and dynamic developments in military technology. Under this backdrop, they will also examine the challenges and choices facing the respective air forces of the Asia-Pacific region. Dr. Ng Eng Hen, the Minister for Education and Second Minister for Defence, will deliver the keynote address.

Policy Roundtable on Civilian Protection, 9 February 2010

The RSIS Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies will be hosting a one-day, closed-door, policy roundtable discussion comprising legal experts and regional civil society organizations working on civilian protection. With the recent creation of the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights, a space for dialogue has been developed to discuss the definition and implementation of civilian protection. The policy roundtable will provide a platform for discussions and debate on the protection of civilians in Southeast Asia, and discuss how this can be promoted within the ASEAN region.

Workshop on the Political Roles of Religious Communities in South Asia, 25–26 February 2009

The South Asia Programme is conducting this workshop jointly with the Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP), Stockholm. The workshop looks at two major issues in the South Asian context: conflict prevention and peace building to address emerging social tensions; and the creation of appropriate constitutional structures that best meet the needs of diverse religious communities. A key aspect is the lessons that Singapore has to offer in both areas. Speakers from Afghanistan, India, Pakistan, Singapore and Sweden will present their perspectives.

Riau Roundtable 2010, February 2010

In the third week of February, the Indonesia Programme will organize its second Riau Roundtable, which will involve senior officials from the Riau Archipelago provincial government and the Batam Industrial Develop-

ment Authority (BIDA), to discuss how the Batam, Bintan, Karimun Free Trade Area scheme will be implemented.

Conference on Strengthening Health and Non-Health Response Systems in Asia, 18–19 March 2010

The RSIS Centre for Non-Traditional Security (NTS) Studies will be hosting this conference as part of the broader NTS programme on Global Health and Human Security. The conference will aim to collectively identify priority action areas so as to close the gap between existing health systems and local communities' health needs, and to examine ways to improve on non-medical responses in an epidemic or pandemic disease outbreak, particularly in countries without adequate surge capacity. The conference will bring together multiple stakeholders in regional and global health governance, which would include policymakers, analysts, medical practitioners, academics, as well as representatives of civil society groups and international organizations.

International Training Course on Terrorist Rehabilitation (ICTR), March 2010

This course will be organized by RSIS's International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR). It will be a groundbreaking course, where distinguished international speakers comprising security specialists, psychologists and counsellors active in both research as well as the operational process of rehabilitating extremists and terrorists will share their expertise. The course is aimed at training key personnel in the different modes of terrorist rehabilitation. It is a continuation of the International Conference on Terrorist Rehabilitation held in February 2009 and the International Workshop on Terrorist Rehabilitation held in November of 2009.

Conference on New Approaches to Defence Industrial Innovation, March 2010

This conference, to be organized by the Military Transformations Programme, seeks to explore whether there are emerging new approaches to how defence industries can innovate for the future. Traditional models for innovation tend to revolve around government-supported agencies and laboratories (such as DERA, DSTA and Sandia). However, there may be new models for innovation and creativity (social networking, business-school models, national innovation systems, integrated dual-use

technology development, etc.) that could offer technological and financial shortcuts for defence technology and industrial bases (DTIB). This conference will bring together an eclectic group of experts and analysts to discuss such topics as: the difference between innovation in civilian and DTIB sectors; new models of innovation and creativity in DTIBs; cultural approaches to DTIB innovation and creativity; and the lessons that can be applied to small country DTIBs.

Fourth Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO), 12–16 April 2010

Jointly organized by RSIS's Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) and the National Security Coordination Centre (NSCC), this conference aims to provide participants from the Asia-Pacific and beyond with an opportunity to network and discuss national security issues. The theme to be addressed will be "Mainstreaming Counter-Terrorism" and the sessions will address the following issues: (i) how government officials who are not directly involved in counter-terrorism can develop their own mindset and strategies to stay alert to the risk of violent radicalization and terrorist threats in their respective environments; (ii) how to motivate public officials in non-security sectors—such as transport and health—to actively participate in counter-terrorism efforts; and (iii) how societies could "mainstream" a cultural norm against adopting violent extremist ideologies.

Workshop on Nuclear Energy and Human Security, 23 April 2010

In view of the sharp debates revolving around the rising importance of nuclear energy, RSIS's Centre for Non-Traditional Security (NTS) Studies will host an authors' workshop to launch an edited volume entitled *Nuclear Energy and Human Security: Critical Debates*. Experts on nuclear energy will contest the merits of expanding the use of nuclear energy in three areas: environment, economics and politics. In addition, one specialist will examine civil society debates. The project aims to consolidate these critical debates in a concise volume that will present a balanced and holistic study on the benefits and risks associated with nuclear energy, especially in the backdrop of a nuclear energy renaissance in Asia. The volume will serve as a valuable reference for policymakers, academia, the media, energy industry actors, civil society groups and interested individuals.

Project J: Aviation Security Training, April 2010

ICPVTR's Head of Research, Dr. John Harrison, was approached by aviation security professionals to assist in developing a revolutionary aviation security training course that will blend academic as well as practitioner skills in an effort to professionalize this security in this critical field. The critical aspect of the programme is that it is designed to be conducted on a regular basis by the national authorities without regular outside consultants, thus building national capacity. The first course is set to be conducted in a Pacific island nation in early 2010.

Riau Archipelago Regional Elections Seminar Series, April 2010

In April, the Indonesia Programme will host the first of a series of seminars on the Riau Archipelago regional election. The series will invite gubernatorial candidates to speak on their vision and development plans for the province. The number of seminars in this series will be adjusted to match the number of candidates, making it likely that the series may be extended into May. The election itself will be held in June 2010.

WTO-TFCTN Parliamentarian Workshop, 3–5 May 2010

This workshop, co-organized by the World Trade Organization and RSIS's Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations, brings together members of parliament from across Asia. The workshop is intended to increase the capacity of regional legislators to engage in international trade issues. This includes a deeper understanding of the WTO, current and future negotiating issues in international trade, and a sustained focus on the particular concerns of developing states in the process. This is important, as parliamentarians have an important role to play in facilitating trade. Legislators must consider and ratify international agreements as well as ensure domestic implementation of all agreements reached at the international level. They also serve as a bridge between domestic audiences like business or consumer interests and inter-governmental trade organizations like the WTO.

Twelfth Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO), 4–10 August 2010

This annual event was conceived to enable senior military officers from the Asia Pacific to interact informally and build relationships. Aimed at fostering trust and developing mutual understanding among military organizations in the region, the programme—the twelfth in the series—

will be held on 4–10 August 2010. It will bring to Singapore an impressive group of senior military officers from the ASEAN Regional Forum countries, as well as from Europe and Africa, to participate in an extensive series of academic seminars and group discussions, and to visit places of security interest. The programme offers the opportunity for senior military officers to build up an epistemic community that will endure beyond their stay in Singapore.

Workshop on Fighting Small Wars in the 21st Century, August 2010

This workshop will be organized by the Military Studies Programme of RSIS's Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies. If the increased participation of the SAF in international SSTTR and HADR operations in recent years is anything to go by, it indicates that the security challenges confronting Singapore today and in the near future will be primarily transnational and “non-traditional” in nature. Moreover, September 11 and the protracted insurgencies in Iraq and Afghanistan do suggest that conventional combat power does not deter highly-determined non-state actors who fight asymmetrically. Are conflicts with transnational violent non-state actors a historical aberration or long-term strategic trend? Is interstate war a possibility, and if so, has it manifested itself differently? Attempts to grapple with these two questions and their ramifications have spawned a vigorous response from various subject-matter experts, drawing intellectual tools from diverse disciplines. But what does this mean for SAF officers trying to make sense of it all? This workshop, scheduled for August 2010, will draw upon the multidisciplinary expertise of several distinguished speakers to elucidate the complexity of fighting contemporary small wars and provide a forum of discourse for SAF officers on the subject. The best papers from this workshop will be published as an edited volume.

General Meeting with the Global Futures Forum (GFF), 13–15 September 2010

Organized by RSIS's Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) and GFF, this event will be an opportunity to bring together a multinational community of security and intelligence experts from differing backgrounds and disciplines. Additionally, the GFF General Meeting promotes discussions on the growing connectivity of global security issues in the wake of globalization and the importance of intelligence and information sharing in an interconnected international community. The theme of the GFF General Meeting will be “Building Resilience in the Face of Future Shocks”

and will address the issues on: (i) identification and prevention of possible future shocks; (ii) building resilience in the face of future shocks; and (iii) the role of intelligence in combating future shocks.

Conference on China's Role in Global and Regional Governance, October 2010

In 2010, the China Programme will convene a conference on China's Role in Global and Regional Governance. The rise of Chinese power and influence has been underscored by its growing engagement in various dimensions of global and regional affairs. The conference will cover topics such as China's roles in the world trade regime, global climate change, regional financial cooperation, regional economic integration, international arms control and non-proliferation, international peacekeeping, and non-traditional security. The conference will also assess the security and economic implications of those developments for the Asian region, not the least for countries like Singapore.

Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations Executive Programme 2010, 11 October–19 November 2010

This executive programme provides government officials with the practical, interdisciplinary knowledge needed to effectively participate in international trade negotiations. The overall objective of the course is to assist regional states in implementing WTO and FTA agreements domestically through training and to create a greater awareness of the rules of various trading regimes. This will help regional and local officials devise strategies to best meet the challenges of—and benefit from—global trade liberalization and economic integration.

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