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Bottom Row: Daniel Wu (MYS), Yan-Ying Huang (ROC), Kay Makishi (USA), Ellise Akazawa (USA).

Young Leaders attend Asia-Pacific Security Forum in Jakarta

JAKARTA - Young Leaders from Indonesia, Taiwan, Japan, China, Australia, The Philippines, Malaysia, and the USA met in Jakarta for a two-day program run in concert with the Asia-Pacific Security Forum. The conference was co-hosted by the Institute for National Policy Research in Taiwan, the Pacific Forum CSIS (USA), Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (Philippines), Asia Centre (France), and the Centre for Political Studies,

Indonesian Institute of Sciences (Indonesia).

The program brought together a diverse group of regional experts to discuss the challenges and opportunities facing the Asia-Pacific security environment. Session topics included “Conflict and Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific -- the Security Dimension” and “Taiwan, China, South China Sea, and ASEAN.” At the post-conference wrap-up session, Young Leaders

discussed the roles of Indonesia and Taiwan as exemplars for democratic and economic transitions in the region. The Taiwanese and Indonesian participants enriched the group discussions with their views on the leadership role of their respective countries.

One of the conference’s primary takeaways was the growing importance of both Taiwan and Indonesia in Asia-Pacific regional security.

Director's Message



Nicole Forrester

As 2012 draws to a close, I'm spending much of my time looking forward into 2013. We have recently released the 2013 Young Leader Program conference schedule <http://csis.org/programs/pacific-forum-csis/young-leaders-program/calendar-events>. This is, for now, the best picture of what exciting programs await us for next year. We are charting new waters both in content and location, with our first-ever event planned for Egypt on why Europe and Asia matter to the Middle East.

One of the questions I am most often asked is "how do I get invited to a Young Leaders Program conference?" It is really quite simple, and contrary to the rumor mill, there is no secret handshake required. First, with over 600 Young Leaders in the program, you have to take the initiative to tell me which events you're interested in being considered for!

There are clear criteria for selection to receive an invitation to a YL conference, namely that your field of expertise is closely related to the topic of the event. So it's critical that your bio (submitted with your original YL application) is up-to-date and that you are very specific about the topics you have been studying and/or working on. For example, for the WMD Geneva program we invited not only nuclear policy specialists but also YLs with technical specialties in non-proliferation of biological and chemical weapons. For the Asia Pacific Security Forum in Jakarta, we brought together YLs with practical security cooperation experience or a focus on democratic and economic transitions.

The other criteria for selection include representational balance on regional citizenships; we don't want too many YLs from any one country and the region should be as broadly represented as possible. In addition to ensuring a gender balance, we also want a mixture of experience with YL programs. Therefore, each time there'll be some "veterans" some who've attended at least one YL program before and some who it will be their first time.

For YLs who meet all these criteria, you'll receive an email (around 2 months prior to the event) confirming your interest and gauging your ability to self-fund (partially or fully). In these tight budgetary times, YLs who are well qualified and can contribute to supporting their attendance are prioritized as candidates, naturally.

And remember if you've got any questions, about the conference selection process generally, or a specific event, I'm only ever an email away.

DC Alumni Chapter to host event with L. Gordon Flake

The Washington, DC Young Leaders alumni chapter is hosting another exclusive event on Wednesday, Nov. 14 from 7:45 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation, located at 1401 New York Avenue, Suite 740. The briefing will feature the Foundation's executive director L. Gordon Flake speaking on the regional implications of presidential elections in the ROK. Seating is limited. RSVP to Erika Scott at escott@mansfieldfdn.org by the close of business on Nov. 9. If you are interested in starting an alumni chapter in your city, please contact Nicole Forrester at nicole@pacforum.org

Pacific Forum Board of Governors' Dinner to be held on Jan. 15, 2013

Pacific Forum's annual Board of Governors' fundraising dinner will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 15 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Honolulu. While no funding is available for Young Leader participation, individual tickets may be purchased for \$150 each. Table sponsorships are available at the \$3,500; \$5,000; and \$10,000 levels. If you or your company is interested in sponsoring Pacific Forum or making a donation to help fund the Young Leaders Program, please contact Ellise Akazawa at +1 (808) 535-1820 or ellise@pacforum.org.

Pacific Forum signs MOU with Young China Watchers

Pacific Forum CSIS has signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Young China Watchers (YCW) organization. YCW is based in Beijing and has branches in Hong Kong, Shanghai, and London. The organizations have agreed to promote each other's publications and find meaningful opportunities for exchange.

Young Leader Profile

Masamichi Minehata

Pacific Forum's first Japanese resident SPF Fellow discusses his career success and how Young Leaders can make the most of their opportunities

At just 32 years old, Dr. Masamichi Minehata is already highly accomplished in the biosecurity field – and he's just getting started.

"Masa Minehata is an outstanding example of what Pacific Forum expects from its Young Leaders," said Brad Glosserman, executive director for Pacific Forum. "While part of the Pacific Forum Young Leaders Program, he's demonstrated outstanding achievements in his field – he now contributes to substantive discussion at Pacific Forum senior conferences and is recognized as one of the experts in his field."

Masa is currently a research fellow at the Bradford Disarmament Research Centre at the University of Bradford in the United Kingdom. Typical of "senior Young Leaders," Minehata has published widely including a book chapter and an award-winning essay *"Preventing Biological Weapons in the 21st Century: Ethics, Life Scientists and the Role of Next British Government."* He is currently working on biosecurity education for life scientists in the Middle East and former Soviet states under the UK Biological Engagement Programme – G8 Global Partnership Programme.

Minehata is open to sharing his advice with Young Leaders who are just starting out in the program. "Do not hesitate to ask for opportunities to give your original insight to senior officials through the program," he said. "One of the most valuable features of the Young Leaders program and what the Pacific Forum strongly encourages is the active participation of young professionals in meetings through oral and paper presentations. This has been a great training process as well



as an opportunity for the fellows, in order to test your ideas and policy relevance in front of the real policy makers and prominent experts of the regional security issues. The members of the Pacific Forum are fully ready to help assist you in this respect. Talk to them."

Minehata also encourages Young Leaders to apply for programs outside their particular research interests "Do apply for a program even if your specific research focus is slightly different from the agendas of a program, in order to broaden your research insight by communicating with other fellows, who have different research approaches. It is highly valuable to be able to expand your network with young professional at our age. While my fellowship primarily focuses on US-Japan relations, the Pacific Forum also hosts researchers in other fellowship programmes from China, Korea, ASEAN and in broader Asia studies. Importantly, interaction and joint work amongst different types of fellows are encouraged in order to develop valuable discussions and possible publications by utilising different national perspectives. What we can learn from young experts from the region is truly something."



Behind the scenes at Pacific Forum with Brooke Mizuno

While many Young Leaders may not know Brooke Mizuno, she's an instrumental part of how Young Leader conferences come together.

As Program Officer, Mizuno is the primary Pacific Forum staff member searching and applying for large national grants that support senior-level conferences and Young Leader programs. She is an integral part of Pacific Forum's development efforts with the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, particularly the SPF resident research fellowship.

"It's a huge responsibility, but I love the challenge," Mizuno said. "Writing grants is just one part of the equation. I draft budgets, keep track of program outcomes, and complete the follow-up reporting. It's an incredible amount of work."

At any given time, Mizuno is actively juggling four or five different grants, with complex reporting requirements. "While our programs are very well-established and enjoy a high degree of name recognition globally, we are always seeking ways to diversify our funding," Mizuno said.

"If you know any of any foundations, corporations, or individuals who are interested in financially supporting our work, email me at brooke@pacforum.org."

DC alumni chapter hosts breakfast briefing

Last month, the newly launched Washington DC Young Leaders Alumni Chapter hosted Pacific Forum Executive Director Brad Glosserman for a discussion on US foreign policy over the last 20 years and how it underpins the United States' deep and continuing engagement in the Asia Pacific region. The rebalance, or the unfortunately named pivot, reflects an intellectual framework for rebranding US foreign policy.

Glosserman argued the rebalance is not really all about China, despite the media narrative which has proven to be all encompassing and reductionist. He offered an alternative narrative in which the rebalance is a coherent and sound strategy seeking to more closely tie the US to the most dynamic region in the world, while focusing on US national interests and how to advance and protect them.

Glosserman believes the US future and US fate are in its own hands, and is a matter of political will in Washington, DC rather than only a US-China story. It is not all about China, but can be.



Young Leaders Opportunities

PROJECT ON NUCLEAR ISSUES

The Project on Nuclear Issues (PONI) is pleased to invite you to apply to join the 2013 Nuclear Scholars Initiative. The Scholars program brings together talented graduate students and young professionals for six daylong workshops with former officials and other policy experts to examine the many dimensions of U.S. nuclear policy. At the conclusion, scholars are able to present their own research and eventually publish an article.

Candidates must be either pursuing a graduate degree or no more than two years into their first professional career. Those who are interested and eligible must submit the following materials by November 7, 2012: cover letter; resume or CV; and two-page proposal.

For more information, visit http://csis.informz.net/CSIS/data/images/1012_nuclear_scholars_flyer.pdf

WEATHERHEAD CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS - HARVARD UNIVERSITY

During the 2013-14 academic year, the Program on U.S.-Japan Relations (Weatherhead Center for International Affairs) at Harvard University will offer postdoctoral fellowships for social scientists in a broad range of fields, including anthropology, economics, education, history, law, political science, public health, public policy, and sociology.

Projects that focus on Japan or Japan's international role from a comparative, historical, or global perspective are welcome. The postdoctoral fellow teaches one course in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. A knowledge of the Japanese language is not required. The annual stipend is \$50,000, disbursed over 10 months. The application deadline is January 15, 2013; and recipients must hold a doctoral degree by August 1, 2013. For application forms and more details, please visit: http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/us-japan/application/postdoc_application.htm

KOREAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALASIA

The Program Committee for the 2013 Biennial Conference of the Korean Studies Association of Australasia invites PhD students, early career researchers and academic colleagues to the Australian National University to present their research and enhance our understanding of Korea in the world today. Proposals from all disciplines on any topic are welcome. With a mind to our location in Australasia, we extend a particular invitation to research that addresses Korea's engagement with the southern hemisphere. Potential topics might include but are not limited to:

- Influence of religions in the formation of modern Korea
- The legacy of the Korean War and ANZAC
- Minority communities and multiculturalism
- South Korea and Australia as "Middle Powers"
- History of and prospects for North Korea
- Human rights and NGO activities
- Gender politics in North and South Korea
- Korean creative industries and global markets

Deadline for submissions is Feb. 15, 2013. For more information visit <http://koreanstudiesaa.wordpress.com/>

GEORGETOWN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The Georgetown Journal of International Affairs (GJIA) is currently seeking submissions for its blog from academics, students, and professionals. Blog submissions can be in the form of reporting, commentary, or analysis on any policy related topic in international affairs and should be approximately 500-800 words in length. GJIA is particularly interested in regular contributions from Young Leaders on current issues in the Asia-Pacific region.

Please contact Lucas Chan at lchan.work@gmail.com and Matt Sullivan at mksull06@gmail.com if you are interested in submitting a piece or discussing a submission to the blog.

CARNEGIE COUNCIL TRANS-PACIFIC STUDENT CONTEST

Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs announces its first Trans-Pacific Student Contest, a unique experiment in U.S.-Asia collaboration. Winners will receive a trip to New York City.

ESSAY OR VIDEO TOPIC: What is the greatest ethical challenge facing U.S.-Asia relations or the U.S. and one of the Asian countries listed below? Please use specific examples or stories to illustrate your points.

CONTEST REQUIREMENTS:

Each entry must be a collaboration between an American student and a student from one of the following: Brunei, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, North Korea, Philippines, South Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, or Vietnam. The entry can be either an essay or a video.

COMPETITION DEADLINE: April 30, 2013

Please contact Evan O'Neil at eoneil@glosserccaia.org for more information.

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY NETWORK

ISN is seeking papers on the following topics:

Climate Change, identity politics, demography-migration, WMD/CBRN, small arms trafficking, food security, energy security, water security, the privatization of violence, organized crime and/or drugs, terrorism and counterterrorism, intelligence-privacy, commerce and security, sanctions and other coercive measures.

To learn more about this opportunity, email ellise@pacforum.org

ATLANTICLIVE - THE ATLANTIC MAGAZINE

AtlanticLIVE, the dedicated events and conference division of The Atlantic magazine, seeks a highly motivated, entrepreneurial individual to support AtlanticLIVE, and in particular Editor-in-Chief Steve Clemons, as an Editorial Events Assistant.

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Prepare Editor-in-Chief for public appearances at AtlanticLIVE and other events through detailed topical research and identification and assist in PR needs for events and for Editor-in-Chief

Interface with clients and contacts with an eye to business development opportunities, and carefully manage and update contact databases for speaker rosters, VIP attendance tracking, and marketing/sales lead management write and post original pieces as well

Demonstrate strong digital editorial skills to edit and post Editor-in-Chief's blog posts and write and post original pieces as well

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