

Workshop on Strategic Trade Controls

Taipei, Taiwan
November 4-6, 2015

Pacific Forum CSIS
Institute of International Relations, National Chengchi University
Prospect Foundation

AGENDA

November 4, 2015

Check-in at Hotel

18:30 Welcome Reception and Dinner

November 5, 2015

9:00 **Introduction and Opening Remarks**

9:15 **Session 1: Recent Developments in Strategic Trade Controls**

This session will examine recent developments related to implementation of strategic trade controls in Asia. What progress has been made in implementing strategic trade controls in Asia over the past year? What are the outcomes from recent meetings of the four trade control regimes (NSG, AG, MTCR, and WA)? What is the current focus of UNSCR 1540 Committee? What is the status of UNSCR 1540 Matrix Reviews? What should we expect from the 2016 Comprehensive Review? How does this impact strategic trade controls in Asia? What are the recent developments related to the Arms Trade Treaty?

Speakers:

Chin-Hao Huang

Seema Gahlaut

10:45 **Coffee Break**

11:00 **Session 2: Control Lists and Managing Trade in Strategic Goods**

This session will examine current issues related to the development of national controls to regulate strategic goods and technologies. What countries in Asia have adopted the EU Control Lists? Have they adopted them fully or partially? How adaptable are these lists to local needs? In 2014, the European Commission issued a Communication (COM (2014) 244) directing the review of the EU export control polices. What changes in the international trade environment are driving the perceived within the EU need for a review? What impact will this review have on the EU export control lists and the use of these lists in the Asia-Pacific?

Speakers:

Ian Stewart

Norah Huang

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 **Session 3: Understanding Free Trade Zones in Asia**

This session will focus on understanding the implementation of strategic trade controls in Asian free trade zones. What is the purpose of these zones? What types of enterprises manage these zones? What types of businesses operate in these zones? What are the similarities and differences in terms of licensing and customs clearance requirements in each type of zone? What are the challenges to developing effective oversight of strategic goods being processed in and through these zones?

Speakers:

George Tan

Rajiv Nayan

15:15 **Coffee Break**

15:30 **Session 4: Transit, Transshipment, and Brokering**

This session will examine trade control mechanisms for goods transferred through brokers or through transit or transshipment facilities, including practices of the Taiwan Custom Administration. What are the most common problems associated with controlling the transfer of strategic goods? What good practices have been developed to control transferred goods? Are multilateral standards needed to eliminate or at least reduce the risks associated with controlling the transfer of strategic goods?

Speakers:

Shahabar Abdul Kareem

Kuo Ping Huang

17:00 **Session Adjourns**

18:30 **Opening Dinner**

November 6, 2015

9:00 **Session 5: Intangible Transfers of Technology**

This session will examine issues related to intangible transfers of technology (ITT). What is ITT? What are the common problems associated with controlling them? How are they detected? What good practices have been developed to control them? What are “deemed exports” and how do they differ from ITT?

Speakers:

Jay Nash

Tristan Volpe

Yea Jen Tseng

10:15 **Coffee Break**

10:30 **Session 6: Licensing and Detection Interface**

This session will examine the relationship between licensing and detection. What issues create the greatest difficulty in this relationship? What are good practices to ensure effective coordination between agencies involved in licensing and detection? What impact does the lack of a direct correlation between strategic trade control classification systems and the World Customs Organization's Harmonized System (HS) Codes have on being able to detect suspicious activity? Why is there a lack of correlation? What has been done to reduce the impact of the lack of correlation? What more can or should be done?

Speakers:

Renaud Chatelus

Mi-Yong Kim

Eugene Y. J. Chen

12:00 **Lunch**

13:30 **Session 7: Regional Cooperation**

This session will examine areas where regional cooperation can help in implementing strategic trade controls. Where are the greatest opportunities for pursuing regional cooperation to promote stronger strategic trade controls in Asia? What impact will the establishment of the ASEAN Economic Community have on implementing strategic trade controls in Southeast Asia? What can be done to improve cooperation in Northeast Asia?

Speakers:

Stephanie Lieggi

Karla Mae Pabelina

14:45 **Session 8: Wrap-Up and Next Steps**

This session will conclude the meeting by highlighting its key findings and discussing next steps for future research and workshop activities.