



## US-ROK-Japan Trilateral Strategic Dialogue

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Royal Lahaina Resort ♦ Maui ♦ August 6-8, 2018

### Monday, August 6, 2018

6:30 PM      **Opening Dinner** (*Villas Lawn*)

### Tuesday, August 7, 2018

8:00 AM      **Breakfast** (*Lobby Ballroom*)

9:00 AM      **Introductory remarks, by Bob Girrier**

9:15 AM      **Session 1: Diplomacy – Assessing “Spring Summitry”**

Were the Summits, particularly the Trump-Kim meeting of June 12, successful? Why or why not? What standards do you use to assess success or failure? What factors facilitated “Spring Summitry” on the Korean Peninsula? What were the benefits, opportunities, costs, and risks of the “Spring Summitry” approach? Specifically, as of now, what are the consequences and implications for deterrence?

Chair:            Ralph Cossa

Speakers:      Evans Revere, Young Ho Kim, Mataka Kamiya

10:45 AM      **Coffee break**

11:00 AM      **Session 2: Desired Summitry Outcomes**

Where do the US-DPRK and North-South summitry processes go from here? Where does Japan’s Summitry fit in? What is each country’s desired end-goal with North Korea? What is the differentiation between *preferred* and *acceptable* end-goals for each country? What end-goals are unacceptable? What is the best strategy to achieve preferred/acceptable goals? What strategy (and tools) should be written off? What should be the immediate next-steps and longer-term actions for each country? What is each country’s assessment of the major opportunities and challenges for progress? Specifically, how do we maintain deterrence and defense as we reduce tensions? [The overall intent here is to see if all three sides have a common or at least complementary definition of success.]

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Speakers:      Lisa Collins, Kang Choi, Nobumasa Akiyama

- 12:30 PM **General briefing on the TTX, by Brad Glosserman**
- 12:45 PM **Session 3: Group breaks out, gets boxed lunch in breakout rooms; each group prepares answers to TTX Round 1 questions on catastrophic success with North Korea**
- 2:45 PM **Session 3A: Plenary – Round 1 Assessment**  
Plenary reconvenes to provide answers to questions and how each group reached those conclusions. After each presentation, the group is questioned by others on process and outcome.
- Chair: Brad Glosserman
- 5:00 PM **Session adjourns**
- 6:30 PM **Dinner** (*Villas Lawn*)

**Wednesday, August 8, 2018**

- 8:00 AM **Breakfast** (*Lobby Ballroom*)
- 8:30 AM **Session 4: Group break out and prepares answers to TTX Round 2 questions on catastrophic failure with North Korea**
- 10:30 AM **Coffee Break**
- 10:45 AM **Session 4A: Plenary – Round 2 Assessment**  
Group reconvene in plenary to provide answers to questions and how each group reached those conclusions. After each presentation, the group is questioned by others on process and outcome.
- Chair: Brad Glosserman
- 12:45 PM **Lunch** (*Royal Ocean Terrace Restaurant*)
- 2:00 PM **Session 5: What is China's Role?**  
How does each country assess the role played by China? In particular, what has been the impact of the Kim-Xi summits on the broader dialogue process? Looking over the horizon, how does each country regard the role of China in Northeast Asia, vis-à-vis North Korea, and more generally? What happens to each country's relationship with China (and to the Beijing-Pyongyang relationship) if there is progress with North Korea? What happens if there is no progress? How does all this impact deterrence? More generally, what has been the impact of various US policy pronouncements (e.g., the 2017 US *National Security Strategy* and 2018 US *Nuclear Posture Review* and *National Defense Review*, etc.) on the prospects for Sino-US cooperation? How do you anticipate the US-China relationship will evolve and what will be its impact on Korean Peninsula developments?
- Chair: Ralph Cossa  
Speakers: Scott Snyder, In-Bum Chun, Tetsuo Kotani

4:00 PM **Session 6: Conclusions/Recommendations and next steps for the Dialogue, chaired by Bob Girrier**

A discussion among the trilateral participants on various conclusions; next steps for trilateral security cooperation, and specific topics to address in our future meetings.

5:00 PM **Meeting adjourns**

*Dinner at leisure*