



## **US-Japan-ROK Trilateral Dialogue**

Shoyu Kaikan ♦ Tokyo  
August 12, 2010

### **AGENDA**

#### **Thursday, August 12**

**9:00 AM**      **Opening Remarks**

**9:15 AM**      **Session 1: Views on China**

China's rise is a key factor in the emergence of East Asia as an engine of growth in the world economy. Meanwhile China often claims the US alliances with Japan and ROK are remnants of the Cold War. Should we view China as primarily a threat or a partner? How do we balance the two roles? Does China's naval presence represent a public good for the region? What is the best way to deal with China's growing naval presence in the region?

Presenters:

Bonnie Glaser

Hwang Jaeho

Matake Kamiya

**10:45 AM**      Break

**11:00 AM**      **Session 2: Japan-ROK Relations**

While there has been talk for a long time about a "virtual alliance" among the US, Japan, and the ROK, the link between Japan and the ROK has remained relatively weak. Why? What can be done about it? What can be done to mitigate the effects of bilateral tension on trilateral cooperation?

Presenters:

Noboru Yamaguchi

Lee Sang-hyun

**12:30 PM**      Lunch

**1:45 PM**      **Session 3: Views on North Korea**

There is a general recognition that North Korea represents both a common threat and an opportunity for enhanced cooperation among the US, ROK,

and Japan. Yet, there are differences in perceptions regarding the North. Why is the North considered to be a threat? What is the best response to the threat? What are the primary opportunities for cooperation in dealing with the North?

Lee Seok-soo  
Narushige Michishita  
Kevin Shepard

**3:00 PM** Break

**3:15 PM** **Session 4: Trilateral Cooperation**

This session will focus on the prospects for enhanced trilateral cooperation. What areas are most open to trilateral cooperation? What are the best opportunities for trilateral cooperation at the regional level? Global? What are most appropriate mechanisms for trilateral cooperation?

Presenters:

Kim Young-ho  
Evans Revere

**5:00 PM** Meeting adjourns

**7:00 PM** Closing dinner