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2019 Asia Pacific Security Forum Schedule

Date	8/18 (Sun.)	8/19 (Mon.)	8/20 (Tue.)
Morning		<p style="text-align: center;">08:30 Registration Hawaii Room 2F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</p> <p style="text-align: center;">09:00 Conference Day 1 Morning (Opening, Keynote, Panel 1)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">08:30 Registration Hawaii Room 2F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</p> <p style="text-align: center;">09:00 Conference Day 2 Morning (Panel 4, Closing)</p>
Afternoon		<p style="text-align: center;">12:30~14:00 Luncheon & Speech Kauai Room 2F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</p> <p style="text-align: center;">14:20 Conference Day 1 Afternoon (Panel 2 & 3) Hawaii Room 2F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11:30~13:00 Farewell Luncheon Tiki's Grill & Bar</p>
Dinner	<p style="text-align: center;">18:30 Welcome Dinner Outrigger Canoe Club</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18:30 Conference Banquet Altitude Room 37F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</p>	

2019 Asia-Pacific Security Forum Agenda

Day One	Monday, August 19
08:30~09:00	Registration <i>Hawaii Room, 2F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</i>
09:00~09:30	Opening Remarks Dr. Hung-Mao Tien Chairman, Institute for National Policy Research, Taiwan Robert P. Girrier, RADM, USN (Ret.) President, Pacific Forum
09:30~10:10	Keynote Speech BGEN, U.S. Army Joel B. Vowell DJ5, USINDOPACOM
10:10~10:30	Coffee Break
10:30~12:20	Panel 1. Maritime Domain Awareness in Focus Moderator Dr. Hung-Mao Tien Chairman, Institute for National Policy Research, Taiwan Presenters Mr. Masafumi Iida Senior Fellow, National Institute for Defense Studies, Japan Mr. Bob Hein Director for Plans and Policy, U.S. Pacific Fleet Discussants: Mr. Mark Stegman J9, USINDOPACOM Cmde. Lalit Kapur Senior Fellow, Delhi Policy Group, India
12:20~12:30	Coffee Break and Change to Luncheon Venue

12:30~14:00

Luncheon

Kauai Room, 2nd Floor, Hilton Waikiki Beach

Luncheon Speech

Amb. Jane Hardy

Consul-General, Australian Consulate-General, Honolulu

14:20~16:00

Panel 2. Indo-Pacific Strategy in linking South China Sea and Indian Ocean

Moderator

Robert P. Girrier, RADM, USN (Ret.)

President, Pacific Forum

Presenters

Cmdr. Lalit Kapur

Senior Fellow, Delhi Policy Group, India

Dr. Hseik-Wen Soong

Dean, College of Social Science,

National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan

Discussants:

Dr. John Wood

Director, J9, Pacific Outreach, USINDOPACOM

CAPT, USN Josh Taylor

Head of International Plans and Policy, U.S. Pacific Fleet

Dr. Chen-Kun Ma

Director, Graduate Institute of China Military Affairs Studies,

National Defense University, Taiwan

16:00~16:10

Coffee Break

16:10~17:50

Panel 3. Managing Strategic Competition in the South Pacific

Moderator

Dr. Hseik-Wen Soong

Dean, College of Social Science, National Chung Cheng University,
Taiwan

Presenters

Dr. David Brewster

Senior Research Fellow, National Security College, Australian National
University, Australia

Mr. Mark Stegman

J9, USINDOPACOM

Discussants:

Mr. Masafumi Iida

Senior Fellow, National Institute for Defense Studies, Japan

Mr. Dino Vaughn

Japan Affairs/BMD Policy/Multilateral Affairs, U.S. Pacific Fleet

18:00

Change to Conference Banquet Venue

18:30~20:00

Conference Banquet

Altitude Room, 37th Floor, Hilton Waikiki Beach

Day Two	Tuesday, August 20
08:30~09:00	Registration <i>Hawaii Room, 2F, Hilton Waikiki Beach</i>
09:00~10:40	<p>Panel 4. A2AD, East China Sea and Taiwan Strait</p> <p>Moderator Robert P. Girrier, RADM, USN (Ret.) President, Pacific Forum</p> <p>Presenters BGEN, U.S. Army Joel B. Vowell DJ5, USINDOPACOM</p> <p>Dr. Chen-Kun Ma Director, Graduate Institute of China Military Affairs Studies, National Defense University, Taiwan</p> <p>Discussants: Dr. Michael Wesley Professor of International Affairs and Dean, College of Asia and the Pacific, Australian National University, Australia</p> <p>Mr. Masafumi Iida Senior Fellow, National Institute for Defense Studies, Japan</p>
10:40~11:10	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Dr. Hung-Mao Tien Chairman, Institute for National Policy Research, Taiwan</p> <p>Robert P. Girrier, RADM, USN (Ret.) President, Pacific Forum</p>
11:30~13:00	<p>Farewell Luncheon Hosted by Pacific Forum <i>Tiki's Grill & Bar</i></p>

Meeting Announcements

1. Each moderator has **5 minutes** to introduce the panel, presenters and discussants. Each presenter and discussant will have **10-15 minutes** to speak, then the panel opens for discussion and questions from all participants. The moderators reserve the right to abbreviate or extend the standard time allocations.
2. Please switch off or silence your mobile phone during the conference sessions, so as not to disturb the others. Also, please do not walk around when the panel is proceeding.
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4. Please do not hesitate to ask the conference staff if you need any assistance.

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Participant List

Australia

David Brewster Senior Research Fellow, National Security College, Australian National University
Jane Hardy Consul-General, Australian Consulate-General, Honolulu
Michael Wesley Professor of International Affairs and Dean, College of Asia and the Pacific, Australian National University

India

Lalit Kapur Senior Fellow, Delhi Policy Group

Japan

Masafumi Iida Senior Fellow, National Institute for Defense Studies
Yosuke Nagata Consul for Defense Affairs, Consulate General of Japan in Honolulu
Satomi Shoji Consulate General of Japan in Honolulu

Taiwan

Hung-Mao Tien Chairman, Institute for National Policy Research
Yujen Kuo Director, Institute for National Policy Research
Hseik-wen Soong Dean, College of Social Sciences, National Chung Cheng University
Chen-Kun Ma Director, Graduate Institute of China Military Affairs Studies, National Defense University
Chen-Sheng Hong Resident WSD-Handa Fellow, Pacific Forum

U.S.A.

Robert P. Girrier President, Pacific Forum, RADM, USN (Ret.)
Joel B. Vowell BGEN, U.S. Army, DJ5, USINDOPACOM
Bob Hein Director for Plans and Policy, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Mark Stegman J9, USINDOPACOM
John Wood Director, J9, Pacific Outreach, USINDOPACOM
Josh Taylor CAPT, USN, Head of International Plans and Policy, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Dino Vaughn Japan Affairs/BMD Policy/Multilateral Affairs, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Wendy Ng CDR(s), USN, S. Asia Desk Officer, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Olivia Degenkolb LCDR, USN, NE Asia Desk Officer (PRC/TWN/RUS), U.S. Pacific Fleet
Jui Yan LCDR, USN, NE Desk Officer (ROK), U.S. Pacific Fleet
Alex Berenberg LCDR, USN, Acting Political Advisor, U.S. Pacific Fleet

Profiles of the Hosts



Dr. Hung-mao TIEN

APPOINTMENT

Senior Advisor to President of R.O.C. (Taiwan)
President and Board Chairman, Institute for National Policy Research
Chief advisor to Taiwan’s National Federation of Industries

EXPERIENCE

Chairman, Straits Exchange Foundation
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Representative (Ambassador) to the United Kingdom
Presidential Advisor to former President Lee Teng-hui
Advisor to the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
Advisor to Asia Center at Harvard University

Hung-mao Tien received his Ph.D. degree in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He has served as board member of several important cultural and charity foundations as well as business corporations in Taiwan. He is author, co-author and editor of numerous books and articles in English. In addition, for over two decades, he has previously been professor of Political Science in the U.S. and Taiwan universities. In light of his rich academic experiences and government appointments, he has played important roles in international conferences since the 1990’s, including many second-track dialogues.



Dr. Yujen KUO

APPOINTMENT

Director, Institute for National Policy Research, INPR
Professor, Institute of China and Asia-Pacific Studies, National Sun Yat-sen University
Vice Chairman, Taiwan Society of Japan Studies
Advisory Committee Member, Mainland Affairs Council, Republic of China (Taiwan)
Advisory Committee Member, Straits Exchange Foundation, Republic of China (Taiwan)
Distinguished Research Fellow, National Defense University, Republic of China (Taiwan)
Distinguished Research Fellow, Industrial Economics and Knowledge Center, IEK
Deputy Editor in Chief, Japan and Asia-Pacific Quarterly

EXPERIENCE

Chief Executer, Center for Japanese Studies, National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan
Visiting Fellow, Institute of European and American Studies, Academia Sinica, Taiwan
Visiting Fellow, The Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA), Japan
Recruited Research Fellow, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of China (Taiwan)
Recruited Research Fellow, Japan Foundation, Japan
Recruited Research Fellow, National Institute of Defense Studies (NIDS), Japan
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of East Asian Studies, National Normal University, Taiwan
Associate Researcher, Science & Technology Policy Research Center, Taiwan
Research Fellow, Institute of Social Science, University of Tokyo, Japan

Dr. Kuo received his Ph.D. in Politics Science from the University of Southern California, the United States. He is currently professor at the Institute of China and Asia-Pacific Studies, National Sun Yat-sen University, director at the Institute for National Policy Research (INPR), advisory committee member to the Mainland Affairs Council, distinguished research fellow at Taiwan's National Defense University, and also vice chairman for the Taiwan Society of Japan Studies (TSJS). Dr. Kuo's main research interests include Japan's defense industry, U.S.-Japan relations and military alliance, as well as Japan's defense policy. In August 2012, Dr. Kuo was invited by the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. State Department to give a lecture on The Current U.S. Policy toward the Asia-Pacific Region. In March 2014, Dr. Kuo was formally invited by Japan's Ministry of Defense to lecture on The Suggestions to Japan's Current Reforms on Defense Industry. In addition, he has published several articles on topics such as Japan's Arms Exports: International and Domestic Power Politics; Japan's Troubling Defense Industry; the Division of Labor of the U.S.-Japan Alliance: Japan's 2010 National Defense Program Guidelines (NDPG).



RADM, U.S. Navy (ret.) Robert GIRRIER

APPOINTMENT

President, Pacific Forum

EXPERIENCE

Bob Girrier is president of Pacific Forum, a Honolulu-based non-profit, non-partisan private foreign policy research institute providing timely, informative, and innovative analysis of political, security and strategic developments in the Indo-Pacific region.

A naval leader with over thirty years' maritime experience and extensive operations throughout the Indo-Pacific, Europe and Middle East, his operational assignments culminated as Deputy Commander Pacific Fleet and as the Director of Operations for U.S. Pacific Command. Efforts focused on directing theater-wide operations and day-to-day engagement; building high-level allied and partner relationships & capacity; developing strategy, planning for contingencies and executing crisis response. Command assignments included two carrier strike groups, a destroyer squadron, destroyer, global mine warfare operations and a mine countermeasures ship.

In theater, he served as lead maritime representative to the team negotiating Rules of Behavior in the Maritime Domain with the Chinese Navy. He also led the first U.S. on-scene naval support during Operation Tomodachi in the wake of the Japanese earthquake and tsunami and resulting consequence management and disaster response efforts. In Washington, he led the stand-up of the Navy Staff's first-ever office of Unmanned Warfare Systems, making the value case for unmanned & manned systems working in collaboration --and more capably-- across increasingly connected environments.

Co-author of three professional naval books on command-at-sea, watch-standing skills and leadership/management, and co-author of 3rd edition of "Fleet Tactics and Naval Operations" (June 2018), he was selected as the U.S. Naval Institute Press Author of the Year for 2017.

Holds Master of Public Administration (MPA), Kennedy School of Government, Harvard Univ. (international negotiations and conflict resolution); Master of Marine Affairs (MMA), Univ. of Rhode Island; M.A. International Affairs, School of International Service, American University; B.S. (Political Science), U.S. Naval Academy.

Profiles of the Participants



Dr. David BREWSTER

APPOINTMENT

Senior Research Fellow with the National Security College, Australian National University
Distinguished Research Fellow, Australia India Institute

EXPERIENCE

Dr Brewster works on Indo Pacific and maritime security issues. He consults with government agencies in Australia and throughout the region. Dr Brewster's books include India as an Asia Pacific power, about India's strategic role in the Asia Pacific and India's Ocean: the story of India's bid for regional leadership which examines India's strategic ambitions in the Indian Ocean. His latest edited volume is India and China at Sea: Competition for Naval Dominance in the Indian Ocean. Dr Brewster is also the author of a special report: Australia's Second Sea: Facing our Multipolar Future in the Indian Ocean.



Amb. Jane HARDY

APPOINTMENT

Consul-General, Australian Consulate-General, Honolulu

EXPERIENCE

Ambassador Jane Hardy is the Consul-General of the Australian Consulate-General, Honolulu, having previously served as the Assistant Secretary, Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation Branch in the International Security Division of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), Canberra. Prior to this role, Ambassador Hardy served as Australia's Ambassador to Spain, Andorra and Equatorial Guinea.

Since joining the department in 1991 as a graduate, Ambassador Hardy has also served overseas as Counsellor (Congressional Affairs), Australian Embassy, Washington DC, United States of America (2005-2009); Counsellor (Political), Australian Embassy, Seoul, Republic of Korea (1999-2002); and Second Secretary (Political-Economic), Australian High Commission, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (1993-1996).



Mr. Robert (Bob) N. HEIN

APPOINTMENT

Director for Plans and Policy (N5), U.S. Pacific Fleet

EXPERIENCE

Mr. Hein serves as the Director, Plans and Policy for Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMPACFLT N5) and acts as the principal advisor to the Commander on matters of policy and planning development regarding foreign engagement, strategic planning, operational research, and Joint and Navy doctrine.

Mr. Hein recently retired from the Navy following a 30 year career as surface warfare officer. He served on seven ships around the globe and had the privilege of commanding two of them: the USS Gettysburg (CG 64), where he also served as the maritime regional air defense commander for U.S. Central Command; and the USS Nitze (DDG 94), where he conducted counter-piracy operations off the Horn of Africa. He has completed two tours as a requirements officer on the Navy staff for combatant modernization and for future logistics capabilities. He was the current operations officer for U.S. Fleet Forces Command, where he coordinated Navy response to natural disasters and homeland defense. He also has served as an action officer on the Joint Staff, Joint Operations Directorate, and as chief of staff to the NATO Mediterranean Fleet. His final position in the Navy was the Deputy Director of Strategy on the OPNAV staff.

Mr. Hein is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He holds a master's in national security affairs and strategic studies from the Naval War College and is a graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College. He also served as the Navy's fellow at the Brookings Institution, and has published extensively on a range of national security issues. He was selected to the Senior Executive Service in Jun 2019.



Mr. Chen-Sheng HONG

APPOINTMENT

Resident WSD-Handa Fellow, Pacific Forum

EXPERIENCE

Mr. Chen-Sheng HONG is a Resident WSD-Handa Fellow at Pacific Forum. His research focuses on Southeast Asia, especially the Mekong region and its relations with the US, China, and Japan. Before starting his fellowship, he was a research associate at Taiwan-ASEAN Studies Center in Chung-Hua Institution for Economic Research, where he analyzed Southeast Asian economic development and Taiwan-ASEAN relations. Prior to this position, he was a research scholar with the Southeast Asia program at the Stimson Center in Washington DC, researching Mekong regional energy development and the US's Mekong policy. Before joining the Stimson, he completed a research internship at the Stockholm Environment Institute Asia Center in Bangkok, contributing to a project on the impacts of China's Belt and Road Initiative in Southeast Asia. He earned his MA in International Studies and Diplomacy from SOAS, University of London in the UK and BA in Political Science from National Cheng-Chi University in Taiwan.



Mr. Masafumi IIDA

APPOINTMENT

Senior Research Fellow, China Division, Regional Studies Department, National Institute for Defense Studies (NIDS)

EXPERIENCE

Professor Masafumi Iida holds a B.A. in Policy Management and M.A. in Media and Governance from Keio University, in addition to an M.A. in East Asian Studies from Stanford University. He has held various positions within NIDS, and most recently was assigned as Senior Staff to the Defense Policy Bureau within the Japanese Ministry of Defense (MOD). Additionally, he has completed a term as a Visiting Scholar with the Center for East Asian Studies at Stanford University in 2011 and with the China Maritime Studies Institute at U.S. Naval War College in 2014. Professor Iida has focused his research primarily on China's foreign and security policies and in particular, the growing maritime implications of this relationship within East Asia. His publications in English include "China's Foreign Strategy Causes Friction with the Existing World Order," NIDS China Security Report 2019, February 2019; "Japan's Reluctant Embrace of BRI?" Working paper for BCAS 2018 at SWP, October 2018; "China Establishing Regional Dominance," Strategic Vision, Special Issue, October 2014; and etc.



Cmde. Lalit KAPUR (Retd)

APPOINTMENT

Senior Fellow, Delhi Policy Group

EXPERIENCE

Over 35 years service in the Indian Navy

Member of Fifth Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica

Defence Attaché, Embassy of India, Muscat

Extensive command and staff experience in the Indian Navy

Cmde. Lalit Kapur is a veteran with over 35 years of commissioned service in the Indian Navy. He has been a member of the Fifth Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica; been India's Defence Attaché at Muscat 1999-2002 and held a wide variety of seagoing assignments. He has served in the Defence Intelligence Agency as its first Deputy Assistant Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (Defence Protocol and Foreign Liaison), where he was responsible for overseeing all foreign defence representatives in India, all Indian defence representatives abroad and military intelligence cooperation with friendly foreign countries; the Strategic Forces Command where he was responsible for strategic communications and the sea vector, and at Headquarters Offshore Defence Advisory Group, Mumbai, where he was responsible for all its operations. He has over 12 years of tri-service experience, 8 years of diplomatic experience and has achieved a 'Distinguished' grading in every course he has attended since 1980. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University as well as two Masters Degrees (both with Distinction); one in Defence Studies from Madras University and the other in Management Studies from Osmania University. He also holds an M Phil degree from Mumbai University. A prolific reader, his interests include International Relations, human resource development and military history. He writes professionally and has numerous published articles to his credit.



Dr. Chen-kun MA

APPOINTMENT

Director, Graduate Institute of China Military Affairs Studies
Professor, Graduate Institute of China Military Affairs Studies

EXPERIENCE

Chief, Division of PLA Studies, NDU, Taiwan
Advisor, Team of Assessment on the South China Sea, Ministry of National Defense, Taiwan
Alumni of High-Ranking General Studies Program in U.S., Ministry of National Defense, Taiwan

Dr. Ma Cheng-kun has received his Ph.D. in China's war behavior study at National Taiwan University, and has specialized in PLA affairs. His representative articles include "China's security strategy and military development," and "China's three warfares against Taiwan." Currently Dr. Ma is contributing his research on China's military strategic thinking and the relating military transformation, especially focusing on the dialectical thinking logic of Xi Jinping. The main courses he has in PLA Studies include "China's Military theories and Strategies," "The Logic of China's Military Thinking," and "China's military response to contingency of maritime periphery."



Mr. Yosuke NAGATA

APPOINTMENT

Consul for Defense Affairs, Consulate General of Japan in Honolulu

EXPERIENCE

Deputy Director (Section Leader), JGSDF Section, Personnel Affairs Division, Bureau of Personnel & Education, MOD

Deputy Director (Section Leader), BMD Policy Section and Space Policy Section, Strategic Planning Division, Bureau of Defense Policy, MOD

Deputy Director, Legislation Section, International Operations Division, Bureau of Operational Policy, MOD

Mr. Yosuke Nagata is consul for defense affairs at the Consulate General of Japan in Honolulu. He has over ten years of experience in working for Japan's Ministry of Defense (MOD). Prior to his career with MOD, he was a researcher at Research Institute of Economic, Trade and Industry (RIETI) in Japan. Mr. Nagata holds a Master of Asia Pacific Affairs from University of Leeds, Master of Public Policies (Economic Policy) from University of Tokyo, and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Keio University.



Dr. Hseik-Wen SOONG

APPOINTMENT

Dean, College of Social Sciences
Director, Center of National Policy Research
Professor, Institute of Strategic and International Affairs
National Chung Cheng University

EXPERIENCE

Consultant, Straits Exchange Foundation, 2016-
Cross-strait group, Democratic Progressive Party, 2014-
Consultant, Mainland Affairs Section, Kinmen County Government, 2016-2017
Consultant, County Executive Office, Chiayi County Government, 2001-
Consultant, County Executive Office, Tainan County Government, 2001-2008

Hseik-Wen Soong is Ph.D. in Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, U.S.A. Dean of College of Social Science at National Chung-Chen University, Taiwan, where he also serves as a professor of Institute of Strategic and International Affairs (ISIA) and the director of Center of National Security Studies (CNSS). His professional interests include International Relations Theories, Public Management, Global Governance and East Asia Security. Professor Soong is also the founder of ISIA and performed as the director from Aug. 2006 to Jul. 2012. In 2007, he participated in the establishment of Association of International Relations (AIR) in Taiwan and served as the secretary-general from Aug. 2008 to Dec. 2011.



Captain Joshua P. TAYLOR

APPOINTMENT

Chief, International Plans & Policy (N51)
Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet

EXPERIENCE

Captain Josh Taylor is a native of Mahwah, New Jersey. Graduating from the United States Naval Academy in 1997 (B.S., History), he was designated a Naval Flight Officer in 1999 and redesignated as an Indo-Pacific Foreign Area Officer in 2012. He holds certifications from the Naval War College, Joint Forces Staff College, and Naval Postgraduate School and earned Master of Arts degrees in Organizational Management from the George Washington University and Diplomacy and Military Studies from Hawaii Pacific University.

Taylor's operational tours include numerous deployments to the Middle East in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH, SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM with Electronic Attack Squadron (VAQ) 128, USS JOHN C. STENNIS (CVN 74), and VAQ-131. Most recently, he served at U.S. Embassy Kuala Lumpur as the Deputy Chief of the Office of Defense Cooperation Malaysia where he had primary responsibility for Foreign Military Sales and Building Partner Capacity programs.

Other assignments include internships with the Joint Staff, Directorate for Information Operations (J39); Director, Navy Staff; and Navy Senate Liaison Office; U.S. Pacific Command as a Legislative Affairs Officer; and Executive Assistant to Director, Maritime Headquarters, U.S. Pacific Fleet. Taylor recently completed a Navy Federal Executive Fellowship at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and the U.S. Naval Institute. He is an associate member of the Corbett Centre for Maritime Policy Studies and serves on the editorial board of the U.S. Naval Institute's Proceedings magazine.

An Eagle Scout, Taylor flew over 80 combat missions in the EA-6B Prowler. His personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2), Strike/Flight Air Medal (4), Air Force Aerial Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2), Joint Service Achievement Medal, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (3) as well as various unit and campaign awards



Mr. Dean K. VAUGHN, GS-15

APPOINTMENT

Japan Affairs, Ballistic Missile Defense Policy, & Multilateral Initiatives
COMPACFLT N5D

EXPERIENCE

Mr. Vaughn is a government-service civilian presently on the Staff of Commander, United States Pacific Fleet in the Plans & Policy directorate. In this capacity he is responsible for the Commander's engagement with Northeast Asia with specialty in Japan, Ballistic Missile Defense Policy, and the Headquarters Multilateral Initiatives which includes Flag Discussions with the Navies of Japan, Korea, and Australia. He is a former Surface Warfare Officer with extensive operations experience in the Pacific and Indian Oceans. Previous active duty assignments included duty afloat in both Cruisers and Frigates as well as staff assignments at Embassy Tokyo, Pacific Command, OPNAV, and the U.S. Pacific Fleet HQ. He is a Japanese speaker with a degree in East Asian History in addition to Executive Level training at Postgraduate School, Monterey.



Brigadier General Joel B. VOWELL, United States Army

APPOINTMENT

Deputy Director for Strategic Planning and Policy, USINDOPACOM

EXPERIENCE

BG Joel “JB” Vowell received his commission as an Infantry officer from the University of Alabama in 1991. During his career, he has been stationed in Europe, the Pacific, and many posts across the United States. He has served on operational assignments to Egypt and hurricane relief in the U.S. and has served three combat tours in Afghanistan and one in Iraq, including both surge campaigns. His commands include 2-327IN “No Slack” and the 3rd Brigade Combat Team (“Rakkasans”) of the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

BG Vowell was a War College Fellow at Stanford University and was the Army Chief of Staff’s Senior Fellow to the Brookings Institution. BG Vowell recently served as the Executive Officer to the Secretary of the Army and as the Deputy Commander General for the 25th Infantry Division. He has been married to Mary Rankin Vowell for 22 years and the couple have two sons, Adam and Matthew. BG Vowell is a Category 2 USA Cycling Road Racer and is a member of the CoreTechs Masters Team, Portola Valley, CA. He is the 2018 Hawaii State Masters Champion.



Dr. Michael WESLEY

APPOINTMENT

Dean, College of Asia & the Pacific

EXPERIENCE

Michael Wesley is Professor of International Affairs and Dean of the College of Asia and the Pacific at the Australian National University. He has published on Australian foreign policy, Asia's international relations and strategic affairs, and the politics of state-building interventions. His 2011 book, *There Goes the Neighbourhood: Australia and the Rise of Asia*, was awarded the John Button Prize for the best writing on Australian politics and public policy.

Previously Professor Wesley was the Director of the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs at ANU from 2014 to 2016, the Executive Director of the Lowy Institute for International Policy from 2009 to 2012; Director of the Griffith Asia Institute at Griffith University from 2004 to 2009; and Assistant Director-General for Transnational Issues at the Office of National Assessments, Australia's peak intelligence agency, from 2003-2004. He gained his PhD from the University of St Andrews and his BA (Honours) from the University of Queensland.



Dr. John WOOD

APPOINTMENT

Director, Pacific Outreach, J9, USINDOPACOM

EXPERIENCE

Senior Defense Official, US Defense and Naval Attaché at the US Embassy in the Republic of Singapore

Director of Strategy, Assessments, and Analysis for the Commander of Naval Forces in Europe

Assistant Chief of Staff (N5) for Political-Military Affairs, Plans, Exercises, Strategy and

Assessments to the Commander of Naval Forces Central Command/Commander Fifth Fleet in the Kingdom of Bahrain

Dr. John Wood is the Director, J9, Pacific Outreach at U.S. Pacific Command (HQ USPACOM) at Camp Smith, Hawaii. Prior to his 2014 appointment to the Senior Executive Service, Dr. Wood was an active duty naval officer and fighter pilot, and brings 31 years of leadership and management to civilian service at USPACOM. Dr. Wood has lived in Germany, Italy, Bahrain, Japan, and Singapore, flown fighter aircraft off of aircraft carriers throughout the Middle East and Asia, and served in major staffs and Combatant Commands throughout the world in the US, Europe, Middle East and Asia.