



**SOUTHEAST ASIA
IN A WORLD OF
STRATEGIC COMPETITION:**
ASSESSING AGENCY AND OPTIONS

EAIR-IDFR-IKMAS-USIP Workshop

21-22 June 2023

Le Méridien Putrajaya, Malaysia

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Program

Date: 21 – 22 June 2023

Venue: Gallery 2 & 3, Level 2, Le Méridien Putrajaya, Malaysia

Day 1: 21 June 2023, Wednesday

0900 Registration and welcome refreshment

0930 Welcoming Remarks:

Dato' Dr. Shazalina Zainul Abidin (*Director-General, IDFR*)

Dr. Carla Freeman (*USIP*)

Panel One

Workshop Overview: Purpose and Parameters

Dr. Andrew Scobell (*USIP*)

Dr. Kuik Cheng-Chwee (*EAIR/UKM*)

1030 Panel Two: Indonesia and Singapore

[*Moderator: Dr. Ngeow Chow-Bing, EAIR/UM*]

Presenters:

1. Indonesia – Dr. Lina A. Alexandra (*CSIS, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta*)

2. Singapore – Dr. Terence Lee (*National University of Singapore*)

1200 Lunch break

1330 Panel Three: Brunei, Malaysia, and Thailand

[*Moderator: Dr. Carla Freeman, USIP*]

Presenters:

3. Brunei – Mr. Sufrizul Husseini (*Centre for Strategic & Policy Studies*)

4. Malaysia – Dr. Kuik Cheng-Chwee (*EAIR/UKM*)

5. Thailand – Dr. Pongphisoot “Paul” Busbarat (*ISIS Thailand*)

1500 Coffee break

1515 Panel Four: The Philippines and Vietnam

[*Moderator: Dr. Nur Shahadah Jamil, EAIR/UM*]

Presenters:

6. The Philippines – Dr. Charmaine Misalucha-Willoughby (*De La Salle University*)

7. Vietnam – Dr. Nguyen Hung Son (*Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam*)

1645 End of Day 1

Day 2: 22 June 2023, Thursday

0930 Policy Roundtable

[Moderator: Dato' Dr. Shazelina Zainul Abidin, *IDFR*]

Speakers:

Y.M. Dato' Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin, *Director-General, National Security Council (NSC)*

YB Liew Chin Tong, *Deputy Minister of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia*

1130 Panel Five: Cambodia, Laos, and Myanmar

[Moderator: Dr. Carla Freeman, *USIP*]

Presenters:

8. Cambodia – Ms. Charadine Pich (*Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace*)

9. Laos – Ambassador Mai Sayavongs (*Institute of Foreign Affairs, MFA*)

10. Myanmar – Dr. Andrea Passeri (*University of Malaya*)

1300 Lunch break

1430 Panel Six: Implications for US-Southeast Asian Relations

Professor Alice D. Ba (*University of Delaware*)

[Moderator: Dr. Hoo Chiew Ping, *EAIR/UKM*]

1600 Panel Seven: Wrap Up

Dr. Andrew Scobell (*USIP*)

Dr. Kuik Cheng-Chwee (*EAIR/UKM*)

1630 End of Workshop

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