

Significance and the Role of Taiwan in the Future Asia Pacific Security

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China is rapidly expanding its naval power and starts projecting the power along the critical Sea Lines of Communications. This inevitably challenge and clash with the US dominance in the region. Many countries in the region, Japan, South Korea and Southeast Asian countries are now expecting the strong US presence to counter China's expansion. In this context, how Taiwan acts to reformulate the cross-Strait relations has decisive significance for the future course of security and peace in the Asia Pacific. The panel will scrutinize the security problematique in the Asia Pacific, impact of the cross-Strait relations in the regional security dynamics, and explore the significance and role of Taiwan in the dynamics.