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Asia Navigates Uncertainty and Continuity of US Regional Policy in the 2024 Elections

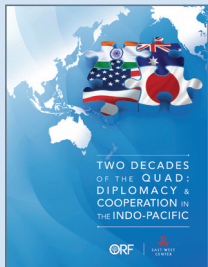


This is the third in the series of reports (the previous ones were in 2016 and 2020) on US Asia policy and debate in the context of US national elections, and Asian responses.

Following a series of interviews and meetings in the Indo-Pacific, a team of researchers have brought forth a comprehensive report regarding the 2024 elections in the United States and their impact on the Indo-Pacific. This analysis incorporates the perspectives of those in the region, from shared concerns to opportunities for engagement.



Two Decades of the Quad: Diplomacy & Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific



The East-West Center proudly organized this project in partnership with the Observer Research Foundation (ORF). The report was launched at the ORF Headquarters in Delhi, India on June 14th, 2024.

As the Quad marks its 20th anniversary, this report reflects on its journey, assesses its accomplishments, and contemplates its future trajectory amidst the dynamic geopolitical challenges facing the region. This report aims to provide a comprehensive analysis of the Quad's evolution, exploring its diplomatic endeavors, collaborative efforts, and the implications of its strategic engagements on regional stability and global order.



Main EWCW Publications



The *Asia Pacific Bulletin* (APB) is produced by the East-West Center in Washington. APB analyses focus on policy-relevant Asia Pacific developments and US-Asia relations and are 1000 words in length. APBs are designed to provide insights, information, and perspective for the busy professional or policymaker. APB considers any article that provides cogent, timely, and rigorous analysis of contemporary issues in the Asia Pacific region and encourages contributors to write on subjects that impact both US and Asian policy. The publication welcomes a diversity of opinion and is particularly keen to publish voices from the Asia Pacific region.

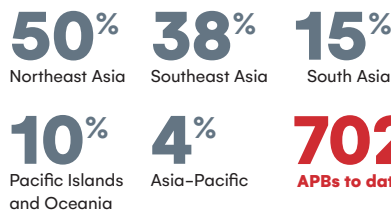
Special Asia Pacific Bulletin Series

Special APB Series on the 2024 Elections and Indo-Pacific Affairs

This special APB series results from a collaboration between EWC's RICE program and AAS. This partnership provided AAS scholars with the opportunity to discuss and analyze how pressing issues in the Indo-Pacific relate to the numerous elections across the region. In this collection of briefs, AAS EWC RICE participants contextualize the political, social, economic, and cultural impacts of the 2024 elections within the intricacies of Indo-Pacific affairs.



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The *EWC Occasional Paper* series presents research findings on five broad themes: Indo-Pacific strategic competition and international relations; climate, energy, and environment; emerging technology and related diplomatic efforts; economic statecraft; and international organization and multilateral diplomacy. This series aims to serve as a platform for EWC staff, Visiting Scholars, Visiting Fellows, RICE participants, Non-Resident Fellows, and Adjuncts to not only disseminate their ideas but also advance collaboration and exchange.

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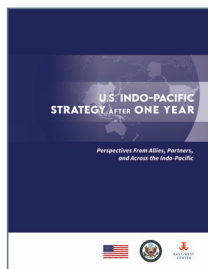
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US Indo-Pacific Strategy after One Year: Perspectives from Allies, Partners, and across the Indo-Pacific

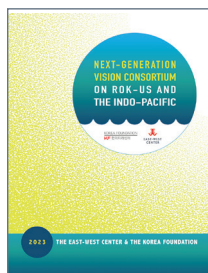


During 2023, the East-West Center, with support from the US Department of State, held a series of three closed-door conferences in Washington, DC; Honolulu; and Jakarta, at which US allies, partners, friends, and

American experts and government officials provided their perspectives on US policy and implementation with respect to US Indo-Pacific Strategy. This report is based on insights shared at all three conferences and presents supplementary materials that provide further insights into how stakeholders perceive and assess Indo-Pacific Strategy.



Next-Generation Vision Consortium on ROK-US and the Indo-Pacific



The East-West Center, in partnership with and generous sponsorship from the Korea Foundation, invited representatives of youth-oriented organizations specializing in international

relations to the Next-Generation Vision Consortium on ROK-US and the Indo-Pacific to build and strengthen their knowledge of Korea, the US-Korea relationship, and international affairs.



New Opportunities for the United States-Kingdom of Thailand Alliance in the Indo-Pacific



In March 2022, the East-West Center in Washington (EWCW), in collaboration with the Royal Thai Embassy, Washington, DC, convened a two-day seminar in which experts from Thailand and

the United States discussed issues and opportunities for the US-Thailand alliance. The workshop included a diverse array of discussants hailing from government, military, academic, think tank, and private sector backgrounds. This report, which adheres to the "Chatham House Rule" under which observations referred to in the report are not attributed to any individual participant, is a summary of the group discussions and the key themes from the seminar.



US-Korea Commercial Relations Beyond Washington & Seoul

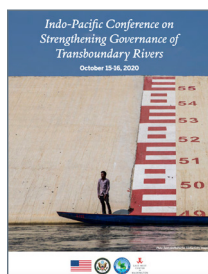


This report is the culmination of the US-Korea Commercial Relations (USKCR) — Beyond Washington and Seoul project. The project's overarching goal is to highlight the local impact of US-

Korea trade and investment and its value to communities in both nations. The USKCR project has brought together a cohort of local-level Korean and American economic development professionals to conduct research that elucidates "on-the-ground" issues affecting US-Korean commercial relations outside of either nation's capital. This compelling and timely research has been captured in the briefs that make up this report.



The Indo-Pacific Conference on Strengthening Governance of Transboundary Rivers



The Indo-Pacific Conference on Strengthening Governance of Transboundary Rivers was a half-day, virtual conference organized by the East-West Center and hosted by the U.S. Department of

State. The virtual conference convened partners and stakeholders from across the Indo-Pacific region to share best practices and lessons learned related to the cooperative development and management of transboundary rivers. The engaging and constructive discussion with leading experts, institutions, and opinion leaders drew lessons from experiences of other partners beyond the Indo-Pacific, including from the European Union, to address rising environmental, economic, development, and political challenges in the Mekong River Basin.



2020 Cruise Ship Responses to COVID-19 in the Indo-Pacific



This report deals with governmental, corporate, and international policies and decision-making toward pandemic response aboard cruise ships and at ports. Focusing primarily on two case studies that

took place in February 2020—the Diamond Princess and the MS Westerdam—this briefing document highlights relevant policies that were and were not employed, assesses the effectiveness of these policies, and considerations for policymaking in the future.



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