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Executive Summary

In the wake of the 2008 financial crisis and with the advent of a new Japanese government, the long-simmering concept of an East Asian Community (EAC) has come to a boil. Trilateral discussions among China, Japan, and South Korea—the “Plus Three”—have accelerated, including early steps toward formation of a trilateral free trade area. The Obama administration has responded with new interest in regionalism, including discussion of new trans-Pacific trade agreements and a bid to join the budding East Asia Summit process. In November 2010, the trans-Pacific APEC will convene in Japan, and the next annual meeting, in 2011, will take place in Hawaii.

This period could shape the future of regionalism in East Asia, but many questions have yet to be answered. Will former Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama’s initiative to build a new regional order on the core of Japan-China-ROK ties bear fruit? How does this concept of an EAC compare to other visions of regional integration, from APEC to the ASEAN-plus process? Will the ASEAN member nations cede leadership of the drive for tighter integration to Northeast Asia? Will the gravitational power of China’s booming economy overwhelm concerns about its political system, military nontransparency, and possible ambition for regional hegemony? What role will the United States seek to play in Asian regionalism, and what will Asia’s response be?

On September 9 and 10, 2010, the Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (Shorenstein APARC) at Stanford University convened the second Stanford Kyoto Trans-Asian Dialogue. This distinguished gathering discussed the latest research into the course of regionalism across several dimensions: regional vs. trans-Pacific trade and production networks; traditional and nontraditional security; the intersection of historical memories and national cultures in forging, or thwarting, a new regional identity; and possible futures for the regional order and how it might interact with other transnational institutions.

The goal of the Dialogue was to facilitate discussion, on an off-the-record basis, among scholars, policymakers, media, and other experts from across Asia and the United States, and to establish trans-Asian networks that focus on issues of common concern.

Final Agenda

Thursday, September 9, 2010
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Gi-Wook Shin, Director, Shorenstein APARC, Stanford University

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National University
Ton Nu Thi Ninh, President, Tri-Viet University
Shi Yinhong, Professor of International Relations and Strategy, and
Director, Center for American Studies, Renmin University
Yoon Young-Kwan, Professor of International Political Economy,
Seoul National University
Although separated by the vast expanse of the Pacific Ocean, historical, economic, and political ties connect Asia, Oceania, and the United States. The Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (Shorenstein APARC) is committed to promoting relations within the Asia-Pacific region and between the region and the United States. In keeping with this mission, it established the Stanford Kyoto Trans-Asian Dialogue in 2009.

The annual Dialogue addresses timely issues of mutual concern and interest to Asia-Pacific countries and the United States. Shorenstein APARC held its second annual Dialogue in Kyoto, Japan, September 9–10, 2010. The first Dialogue, held in September 2009, examined the interplay between energy, the environment, and economic growth in Asia. This second annual Dialogue addressed questions related to the regional integration of East Asia, both present and future. Shorenstein APARC brought together scholars and subject experts from nine countries in the Asia-Pacific region and the United States for an exchange of diverse views on this important topic.

To facilitate more open dialogue, the presentations and discussions during the two-day event were closed. The following report summarizes the proceedings of these sessions.
Session 1: The Regional Economic Order: Decoupling or Trans-Pacific Integration?

- Masahiko Aoki, Shorenstein APARC
- Bakh Byongwon, Shorenstein APARC

Economics are arguably the basis for regional integration in Asia and recent overtures by the U.S. government have demonstrated its keen interest in trans-Pacific economic integration. President Barack Obama met in late September 2010 with leaders from the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and he will embark in November on a major visit to Asia, concluding with the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) annual meeting in Japan.

All East Asian economies have followed the same evolutionary trajectory, Professor Masahiko Aoki argued in his presentation to open the Dialogue. China and Japan, in particular, have followed a similar economic path, although they are at different stages along the developmental continuum. Japan, he noted, overcame the devastation of the post-World War II era to surpass China’s GDP in the 1960s. China took three decades to recover its lead, but it is now a regional and a global economic force. While there has been a great deal of focus on the competitive consequences of China’s rise, significant complementarities also exist between China and Japan, which could advance the future economic success of both countries and the region. Both countries face the challenges posed by demographic change. Japan is coping with an aging population and a shrinking workforce—as China will in the near future. More immediately, China must cope with a rapid shift of population from the countryside to the country’s exploding urban centers. These similarities offer great opportunities for complementary cooperation, Aoki argued. China might benefit, for example, from Japan’s experience in urban management.
In the wake of the global financial crisis, there was much talk of a “decoupling” of the still-growing Asian economies from the United States and Europe. On the contrary, argued South Korean economist Bahk Byongwon, the evidence suggests that the world economy is even more tightly integrated than previously understood and the economies of the United States and the countries of Asia are increasingly interdependent. The region is also becoming a major source of global investment—China is now the world’s fifth largest global investor. Free trade agreements (FTAs), including among major trading partners, could offer a significant aid to integration, but these have stalled due to domestic political obstacles, as we have seen in the case of the Korea-U.S. FTA. An FTA, in the image of NAFTA, among the so-called big three of Northeast Asia—China, Japan, and South Korea—is one missing piece of the integration puzzle. Such an agreement could be an important step toward a broader proposed trans-Pacific FTA, but domestic opposition, particularly from agricultural interests in all three countries, makes it a difficult idea at present. More feasible may be bilateral FTAs among the three nations. The goal of an FTA in Northeast Asia would not be to export more but to import more, to raise living standards, and increase investment. The United States, Bahk concluded, needs to take an active role in trans-Pacific integration.

During the lively dialogue that followed the presentations, some participants cited evidence of Asian economies’ decoupling from that of the United States. The financial crisis and the slow recovery of the U.S. economy are already leading to decoupling, particularly as Asia needs to find its own sources of demand, argued one Southeast Asian participant. Movement toward a Northeast Asian FTA could also lead to a more self-contained Asia, he concluded. If China continues to expand its role as the engine of growth in Asia, the decoupling issue could become critical, a Korean scholar said. Other participants responded that Asia cannot yet sustain growth without heavily relying on the export markets of the United States and Europe, especially given the role those economies play in maintaining open markets.

Other participants questioned the need for an FTA in East Asia. If the goal is market liberalization, what is needed is rule-based economic relations, said one Japanese participant, pointing to the U.S.-Japan economic relationship, which succeeds without an FTA.

Finally, numerous participants raised the point of the undeniable impact that human factors have on economic integration, such issues as aging populations, labor migration, and even the growing phenomenon of cross-border marriages to stem population decline.

Session 2: Traditional and Nontraditional Security and Regionalism

• Ambassador Michael H. Armacost, Shorenstein APARC
• Funabashi Yoichi, Asahi Shimbun

Territorial disputes over land and water have long existed in East Asia, including the military rivalry between China and Japan over the East China Sea. Today, discussion of security also encompasses “nontraditional” issues, such as the competition for natural resources. What role do traditional and nontraditional security play in the development of regional institutions? How should each one be considered?
During the Dialogue’s security session, Michael H. Armacost maintained that, aside from occasional territorial disputes, security conditions in the Asia-Pacific are relatively benign. War between major powers is highly unlikely, he concluded. The United States—which solidified its military presence in the Asia-Pacific during World War II and the Korean War—remains the dominant security power in the region. The bilateral basis of American security architecture in Asia, he added, tends to limit the potential for regionalism in this sphere. In addition to the United States, the Six Party Talks, the ASEAN Regional Forum or ARF (which Armacost counts as a success), and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization exist as regional, though less influential, security structures. But rather than being based on security, he suggested that regionalism in Asia is tied more to economics. In resolving nontraditional security issues, he proposed that different approaches are applicable depending on the type of threat. For example, he said, while addressing energy needs is a global effort, controlling the flow of the Mekong River is a regional issue, and preventing pirate attacks is a regional issue that may require assistance from an outside country such as the United States.

Funabashi Yoichi told the Dialogue that the region must address three key security challenges in the next decade, the first of which is the future of North Korea. He underscored the need to move beyond the Six Party Talks to a more systematic approach, led by the United States and Japan, in developing relations with and stronger policy toward North Korea. Next, Funabashi called for Asia to address the issue of the regional security presence of the United States, noting the strong Chinese reaction when Hillary Clinton urged multilateral resolution of sovereignty claims in the South China Sea, following a July 23 ARF meeting. Finally, he observed that a regional structure must address environmental issues, especially the management of water resources. Funabashi argued that the U.S.-Japan security relationship provides the basis for overall security in the region. Nontraditional security issues, he suggested, provide an opportunity to apply the principle of complementarity, such as adopting successful environmental protection practices from Japan.

As the presentation portion of the session concluded, a participant from Japan expressed skepticism about whether there were in fact no major power confrontations in East Asia given the situation in the Senkaku/Diaoyu Islands. Coping with the rise of China was at the top of the list of issues he highlighted; thoughtful dialogue on the subject ensued. Participants felt that the U.S.-Japan Alliance, though it must remain the linchpin of the regional security order, must be used not as a tool to contain China, but rather as part of a multilayered regional security framework in which China can be effectively integrated. One Stanford scholar pointed out, “If a country like China is rising economically, there will be mistrust from others.” He suggested looking for ways to “mitigate potential areas of tension,” including accommodating China on certain issues.

A participant from China stated that Beijing’s actions with regard to the South China Sea are only a matter of policy strategy and have not, until recently, escalated in ten years. China’s interest in oil and natural gas deposits in the South China Sea was noted by a Southeast Asian participant, who said, “China seems to be more proactive about energy.” To resolve the sovereignty dispute, the participant suggested a multilateral approach. ASEAN, which also has a strong interest in the South China Sea, was discussed in the context of its significant role as the primary regional institution of Asia. One
participant from Southeast Asia expressed that China has “built up goodwill with many ASEAN states” and that most are willing to wait and see what move China will make next. Another participant from Southeast Asia remarked that, “There is a growing ASEAN understanding of needing to talk about security issues.” However, internal issues, such as domestic politics and military repositioning, could potentially hamper ASEAN’s focus on security, he said.

Session 3: History, Culture, and Identity

- Donald K. Emmerson, Southeast Asia Forum, Shorenstein APARC
- Shi Yinhong, Center for American Studies, Renmin University

The overall history of Asia, with its long archaeological and written record of humankind, is comprised of a rich entanglement of imperial, colonial, indigenous, and other histories. More recent historical memory includes the final days of colonial Europe, World War II, and the Korean War, all of which affect regional thinking about culture and identity.

Research Project Presentation: “Divided Memories and Reconciliation”

- Daniel C. Sneider, Shorenstein APARC

In the same way that painful experiences leave a lingering mark on individuals, so too do memories of World War II events in Asia remain in the society and culture of the countries involved in and impacted by the war.

Following the Dialogue session titled “History, Culture, and Identity,” Daniel C. Sneider, associate director for research at Shorenstein APARC, presented an insightful overview of the Center’s three-year Divided Memories and Reconciliation research project. The project seeks to understand the process through which historical memories are shaped and to arrive at a clearer idea of what is needed to bring about reconciliation in Northeast Asia. Most importantly, the project does not assume that the negative effect of wartime memories is indelible.

Sneider described the three stages of the project, which operates on the principle that “the past is present” and focuses on World War II era memories in China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, and the United States. The first year of the project was dedicated to a close, comparative reading of high school history textbooks from the years 1931–1951. The second year focused on contemporary popular films that deal with historical subjects from these two decades, and concluded with a screening of Letters From Iwo Jima and an engaging public discussion with director Clint Eastwood. The final stage of the project is a survey of elite opinion makers from the countries studied. The first of several volumes featuring the project’s findings, focused on textbooks, will appear in 2011 from Routledge Press.
Regional identity, Donald K. Emmerson proposed, emerges as a result of uncertainty. He suggested that ASEAN was created in response to internal and external unknowns, saying further that regionalism is a form of protection in a globalizing world. Regionalism is often based, Emmerson asserted, on regional leaders’ desire to construct an image of similarity. ASEAN, for example, comprises ten countries. Nine of these were formerly colonized by European entities, a factor that plays a further part in ASEAN’s regional identity. Emmerson pointed to the ironic aspect—and thus the challenge of—creating a “closed” regional community, when the nature of economics and nontraditional of security issues is global.

Martin Fackler (right), Tokyo bureau chief of the New York Times, listens to Yoon Young-kwan, professor of international political economy at Seoul National University, during a discussion session.

Using China as a case study, Shi Yinhong’s presentation focused on history as the foundation of culture and identity. Shi first examined the contemporary perceptions of East Asia’s history that impede regionalism. He spoke of factors that shape thinking about history and memory—such as the notion of China’s “glorious” imperial past—that can make bygone events seem current and contribute to feelings of suspicion among countries. Shi next addressed contemporary thinking about nationalism, which differs from its earlier incarnations, such as revolutionary ideas of the Maoist era. Nationalism today, Shi suggested, is based more on what China has accomplished since Deng Xiaoping introduced economic reforms in 1978. Finally, he concluded that there is no single view of identity in China, but rather a mixture of perspectives. These range from a more inward-looking position, according to which China must follow its own path, to the more pragmatic, situational approach that China’s current government has adopted.

Much of the discussion of this session was reflective, particularly with regard to ideas of regional identity. One Stanford scholar suggested that East Asia’s identity may be threatened in the future by powerful forces such as India’s growing economy. “Will some
of the conditions driving East Asia together also pull it apart?” he asked. A Southeast Asian participant noted the difficulty of building identity based on history, asking, “Whose version [of history] do we use?” Addressing China’s place in regional identity, another Southeast Asian participant pointed to its more central role in East Asia, but also asked, “Is regional identity more prominent now than twenty years ago?” Many agreed that regionalism has ebbed, but one participant asserted that it can never vanish from the scene.

With respect to China’s own sense of identity, a U.S. participant spoke of the country’s history, particularly in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, of adopting practices from “the West” to realize growth objectives. He suggested that we are currently seeing a revival of this tendency. China, he proposed, is still grappling with unresolved issues of identity. A South Korean scholar suggested that China is now more proactive with its foreign policy, including security issues, but challenged by internal factors. One possible approach, he proposed, would be for the government to utilize nationalism rather than socialism to address its domestic challenges. Multilateralism, too, could be an effective approach, in the event that nationalism is seen as overly aggressive.

With respect to security, a Stanford scholar noted that although “Korea is becoming more and more dependent upon China,” the United States still plays an important security role, which causes some conflict between it and China.

Session 4: The Future of East Asian Regionalism

- Thomas Fingar, Shorenstein APARC
- Simon SC Tay, National University of Singapore Faculty of Law and Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy; and Singapore Institute of International Affairs

Looking into the future, Asia experts ask, “What shape will East Asian regionalism take?” Will economics be the driving force of regionalism or will it be something else? What role will the United States, ASEAN, and other existing entities play in shaping the region’s future?

The discussion of regional integration in East Asia has tended to focus on the issues of structure and membership, presuming that it is a matter of finding the right mix of people and countries, Stanford scholar Thomas Fingar told the Dialogue. Instead, it would be more useful to take a “matrix approach” to East Asian regionalism. Each country must look at their answers to a list of possible questions, including: What issues affecting the region require attention? What things are important to the region’s future? What endangers the peace and security of the region? How do issues—such as climate, security, and food—interact? Which institutions are outdated?

Out of this matrix could emerge common concerns that form the basis for regional cooperation. In the category of dangers to peace and security, Fingar cited the impact of Sino-Japanese rivalry, uncertainty about China’s rise and North Korea’s future, access to energy, and the impact of climate change. The stabilizing role of the United States in maintaining regional security, keeping markets open, and sustaining global institutions remains a positive factor. But Fingar warned against being complacent. “Existing frameworks and structures are waning and inadequate,” he stated, “[However,] there is no crisis tomorrow and we can face this with success.”
Singapore’s Simon Tay sees the present global economic crisis, led by the United States, as an inflection point for Asia. There is a rising opposition to globalization within the United States and a feeling that jobs are being lost to Asia. This has raised question marks about American will and interest to engage Asia today. The sharp rise of China and India and the call for a more self-contained Asian economy raises the prospect of Asian regionalism without America. Former Japanese Premier Hatoyama raised ideas about the architecture of regionalism, Tay noted, but Asian players have no common conception and compete for leadership. ASEAN’s efforts to form a “normative community” constitute the core of any future regional organizations, Tay believes. While he argued that any community “should not be guided by bigger powers,” he acknowledged the importance of the United States for maintaining peace within Asia. Tay also called on Japan to increase its visible leadership role in pushing forward Asian regionalism.

During the closing discussion session, several participants echoed Tay’s assertion that the 2008 financial crisis affected the regional and global climate. One South Korean participant said, “We should see things differently because the world has changed.” A scholar from China remarked that although China’s economy continues to grow, “China did not benefit from the financial crisis.” A South Korean scholar noted that some in Asia see regionalism as a hedge against the rise of China. An American participant added that when it comes to institutionalization, whatever emerges must pass the test of practicality—does it do the job?
American participants countered the notion of the United States as a declining power. And most Asian participants, while fearing a diminished role in the future, acknowledge that the United States remains an indispensable factor in sustaining regional peace and stability. One Stanford scholar suggested that while “the role of the United States as a leader is not going to go away” its ability to provide strength in certain areas, including economics and the environment, “may be eroding.”

In moving forward with regionalism, one participant from Japan suggested utilizing “multilayered functional institutions,” saying that no single institution may be able to cope with the challenges ranging from security to energy-saving. Some participants pointed to the need to involve all stakeholders, including the United States and India, with one scholar saying, “There needs to be a framework where everyone who wants to participate can.” A Southeast Asian scholar argued that “ASEAN is not strong or effectual,” but that it was a necessary structure for larger powers like the United States. A scholar from China echoed a broadly shared sentiment, saying, “East Asia should include everyone.”

Public Symposium and Reception
A key element of the Dialogue is to distill and share the content of the presentations and closed discussion sessions with the general public, through an open symposium and reception. Over 130 people—including 43 university students—attended the September 10 symposium, moderated by Masahiko Aoki and featuring Michael H. Armacost, Andrew MacIntyre (College of Asia and the Pacific, Australian National University), Ton Nu Thi Ninh (Tri-Viet University), Shi Yinhong (Renmin University), and Yoon Young-Kwan (Seoul

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National University). Armacost provided an American perspective on regional security conditions. Shi then shared an overview of the U.S.-China relationship and offered historical context for China's “rise.” Yoon and Ninh followed with views on how the region should address China's growing economic and political influence. MacIntyre concluded with an Australian perspective on how to insure future regional peace and prosperity.

Students and other audience members actively engaged Dialogue participants during the reception held after the symposium. Gi-Wook Shin, director of Shorenstein APARC, expressed deep gratitude to guest-of-honor Kadokawa Daisaku, Mayor of the City of Kyoto. Shin spoke of the strong relationship between Stanford University and the City of Kyoto and thanked Mayor Kadokawa for the continuing, enthusiastic support that the Dialogue enjoys in Kyoto.

Gi-Wook Shin (left), director of Shorenstein APARC and the Korean Studies Program at Stanford University, with Yasunori Kaneko, managing director of Skyline Ventures.
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Aoki’s most recent book, Corporations in Evolving Diversity: Cognition, Governance, and Institutions, based on his 2008 Clarendon Lectures, was published in 2010 by Oxford University Press. It identifies a variety of corporate architecture as diverse associational cognitive systems, and discusses their implications to corporate governance, as well their modes of interactions with society, polity, and financial markets within a unified game-theoretic perspective. His previous book, Toward a Comparative Institutional Analysis, was published in 2001 by MIT Press. This work developed a conceptual and analytical framework for integrating comparative studies of institutions in economics and other social science disciplines using game-theoretic language.

Aoki is currently the president of the International Economic Association (2008–2011) and is a former president of the Japanese Economic Association. He is a fellow of the Econometric Society and the founding editor of the Journal of Japanese and International Economies. He was awarded the Japan Academy Prize in 1990, and the sixth International Schumpeter Prize in 1998. Between 2001 and 2004, Aoki served as the president and chief research officer (CRO) of the Research Institute of Economy, Trade, and Industry (RIETI), an independent administrative institution specializing in public policy research in Japan.

Aoki graduated from the University of Tokyo with a BA and an MA in economics and earned a PhD in economics from the University of Minnesota in 1967. He was formerly an assistant professor at Stanford University and Harvard University and served as both an associate and full professor at the University of Kyoto before rejoining the Stanford faculty in 1984.

In his current role as Shorenstein Distinguished Fellow, Michael H. Armacost has been at Shorenstein APARC since 2002. Between 1995 and 2002, Armacost served as president of Washington D.C.’s Brookings Institution, the nation’s oldest think tank and a leader in research on politics, government, international affairs, economics, and public policy. Previously, during his twenty-four-year government career, Armacost served, among other positions, as undersecretary of state for political affairs and as ambassador to Japan and the Philippines.

Armacost began his career in academia, as a professor of government at Pomona College. In 1969, he was awarded a White House Fellowship, and was assigned to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of State. Following a stint on the State Department policy planning and coordination staff, he became a special assistant to the
U.S. ambassador in Tokyo from 1972 to 1974, his first foreign diplomatic post. Thereafter, he held senior Asian affairs and international security posts in the State Department, Defense Department, and the National Security Council. From 1982 to 1984, he served as U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines, and was a key force in helping the country undergo a nonviolent transition to democracy. In 1989, President George Bush tapped him to become ambassador to Japan, considered one of the most important and sensitive U.S. diplomatic posts abroad.

Armacost is the author of three books, the most recent of which, *Friends or Rivals?* was published in 1996 and draws on his tenure as ambassador. He also coedited, with Daniel Okimoto, *The Future of America’s Alliances in Northeast Asia*, published in 2004 by Shorenstein APARC. Armacost has served on numerous corporate and nonprofit boards, including TRW, AFLAC, Applied Materials, USEC Inc., Cargill Inc., Carleton College, and The Asia Foundation.

A native of Ohio, Armacost graduated from Carleton College and earned his MA and PhD in public law and government from Columbia University. He has received the President’s Distinguished Service Award, the Defense Department’s Distinguished Civilian Service Award, and the Secretary of State’s Distinguished Services Award.

**Bahk Byongwon** was the 2009–2010 Koret Fellow at the Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center at Stanford University. Prior to coming to Stanford, he served as senior economic advisor to the president of the Republic of Korea (ROK). Bahk has served as chairman and CEO of the Woori Financial Group and chairman of the board of the Woori Bank. He has also held numerous positions with the ROK Ministry of Finance and Economy, including that of vice minister, deputy minister, director-general of the Bureau of Economic Policy, and director of budget coordination for the Budget Policy and Fiscal Planning Divisions of the Budget Office. He has held several other prominent ROK government positions. Bahk also served on the board of directors at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in London and as visiting scholar at the Sigur Center for Asian Studies at George Washington University.

Bahk holds a BA and an MA in law from Seoul National University, an MA in industrial engineering from the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, and an MA in economics from the University of Washington.

A member of the U.S. Senior Foreign Service with a career rank of minister counselor, **Edward Dong** assumed his current position of Consul General of the U.S. Consulate General in Osaka-Kobe in July 2008.

A graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, with a BA degree in East Asian studies and political science, an MA degree in Asian Studies, and a JD degree, Dong entered the Foreign Service in June 1978.

After an initial tour as a vice consul in Mexico City, the remainder of Dong’s tours have all been in East Asia or have dealt with East
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In 2010, John Wiley & Son published his book Asia Alone: The Dangerous Post-Crisis Divide from America, about Asia’s relations with the United States. CNN’s Fareed Zakaria endorsed the book and called Simon “one of the most intelligent and reliable guides to the region.” Martin Wolf, the Financial Times’ chief economics commentator, said he “found Asia Alone to be thought-provoking.”

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