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INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS IN THE CONTEXT OF REGIONAL SECURITY ARCHITECTURE IN THE ASIA PACIFIC

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Outline

1. What is the security situation in Asia?
2. What are the characteristics of the prevailing security architecture?
3. Which future path to take?
4. Which potential contribution by the EU?
Web of cooperation schemes in Asia

SAARC

AFGHANISTAN
BHUTAN
MALDIVES
NEPAL

SRI LANKA
BANGLADESH
PAKISTAN
INDIA

SOUTH SUDAN
ETHIOPIA
KENYA
UGANDA
TANZANIA
SOMALIA
DJI’BOUTI

ARF

KOREA
JAPAN
NEW ZEALAND
AUSTRALIA
SOUTH SOUTHEAST ASIA
PAPUA NEW GUINEA
Fiji
Nauru
Tuvalu

IFP

KIRIBATI
PALESTINE
SOLOMON ISLANDS
COOK ISLANDS

ASEAN

BURMA
ASEAN SECRETARIAT
THAILAND
VIETNAM
CAMBODIA
LAOS

ASEAN+3

BRUNEI
INDONESIA
MALAYSIA
PHILIPPINES
SINGAPORE

US-Lower Mekong Initiative

EU

EAST ASIA SUMMIT

PAPUA NEW GUINEA
TONGA
SAMOA

ASEM

28 EU MEMBER STATES
NORWAY
SWITZERLAND

APEC

CHINA
MEXICO
PERU
HONG KONG
CHINESE TAIPEI

SCO

KAZAKHSTAN
KYRGYZSTAN
TAJIKISTAN
UZBEKISTAN

Legend:
Σ: energy and the environment
T: technology
P: political
C: cultural
$: economic
$*: security
*: secretariat seat of APEC
^*: secretariat seat of SCO
**: secretariat seat of ASEAN+3/EA5/ARF
○: secretariat seat of PIF
~: secretariat seat of SAARC

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"A number of new security diplomacy initiatives have emerged from President Xi’s ‘Asia for Asians’ concept. China is accelerating efforts to create economic, financial and political institutions that provide an alternative to the traditional Western-led world order. Within the area of regional security, China is increasingly using its own forums to advance structures that diminish the capacity of the USA to help manage and resolve conflicts in the region."

Streamlining the frameworks

- continue with pluralism and let many flowers bloom
- result oriented functional approach
- institution or regime building with organisational underpinning
EU Foreign Affairs Council, June 22, 2015

• “held a strategic debate on EU relations with Asia. Ministers stressed the need to continue to strengthen relations at a multilateral level, including on security matters. The Council adopted conclusions on EU-ASEAN relations, notably emphasising the need to move the relationship to a strategic level.”
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