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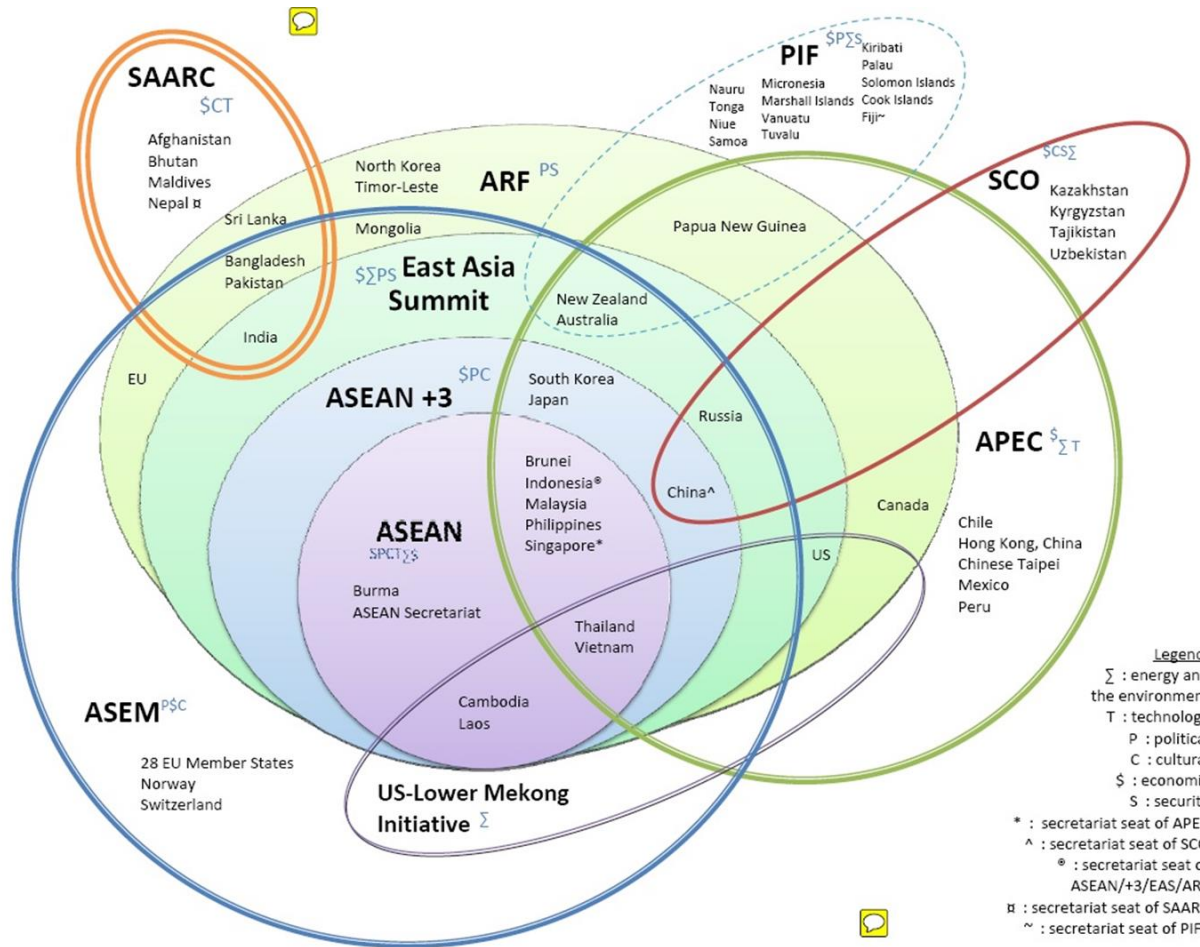
INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS IN THE CONTEXT OF REGIONAL SECURITY ARCHITECTURE IN THE ASIA PACIFIC

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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



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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.”

