

**Preliminary Agenda:**

*(As of November 25, 2011)*

## **“Japanese-German Dialogue on Security: Perspectives of East-Asian Regional Security”**

Expert Conference and Public Panel Discussion organized by the Japanese-German Center Berlin (JDZB) and the Heinrich Böll Foundation in cooperation with the Center for the Promotion of Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (CPDNP) at the Japan Institute for International Affairs (JIIA).

**Date: December 06, 2011**

**Location:** Japanese-German Center Berlin, Saargemünder Str. 2, 14195 Berlin

*Language: English only*

**Draft Agenda:**

**9:00am – 09:30am** Registration

**9:30am – 12:00pm**

**Opening Remarks:**

**Ralf Fücks**, President, Heinrich Böll Foundation

**Friederike Bosse**, Secretary General, Japanese-German Center Berlin

**Nobuyasu Abe**, Center for the Promotion of Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (CPDNP)

**Keynote:**

**Ambassador Dr. Takahiro Shinyo**, Embassy of Japan in Germany, tbc

## Session I:

### **The Security Situation in North-East Asia, North Korea and China**

*North-East Asia is the region of the world where the cold war has not come to an end yet. The most significant example is the still divide Korea and the tensions that extend from the peninsula into the region. The regime in North Korea threatens its neighbours with its atomic devices. In reaction to this threat and to the military built up in China Japan has recently revised its defence strategy to a dynamic strategy which would allow for a more flexible response. The new strategy which is partly reacting to scarce resources also revised the old scenario which demanded the concentration of tanks on Hokkaido for a defence against an attack from the USSR/Russia. A deeper knowledge on the security situation in North East Asia and how it might affect Germany and Europe is still not satisfactory in Germany.*

### Speakers:

**Viola von Cramon**, Member of German Parliament

**Axel Berkofsky**, University of Pavia / Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI)

**Nobuyasu Abe**, Center for the Promotion of Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (CPDNP)

Chair: **Takako Ueta**, International Christian University, Japan

**12:00 – 1:00pm**

**Buffett Luncheon**

**1:00 pm – 2:45 pm**

## Session II

### **Strengthening Regional Security in Asia-Pacific**

*The balance of power in East Asia and Asia Pacific is shifting, presenting new risks to regional stability. In order to mitigate these risks and maintain and strengthen regional peace, stability, and prosperity, it is critical that regional cooperation be consolidated. East Asia has seen a proliferation of multilateral forums, primarily through the ASEAN-led processes, but consensus building and principles of noninterference have often dominated at the expense of deeper cooperation. It is time for East Asia to reinvigorate regional cooperation. To this end, ASEAN must be encouraged to take measures to strengthen its role, especially in addressing domestic governance issues, and the three big players in northeast Asia—China, Japan, and South Korea—should take a more proactive approach, providing greater input and substance to East Asia regional cooperation.*

Speakers:

**Gudrun Wacker**, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

**Admiral Hideaki Kaneda**, President, Okazaki Institute, Japan

**Masako Ikegami**, Stockholm University

Chair:

**Axel Berkofsky**, University of Pavia / Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI)

*2:45 pm Coffee break*

**3:00 pm – 4:30 pm**

Session III

**European-Japanese Dialogue on Security Affairs**

*Due to historical reasons Germany and Japan do not have an elaborated security dialogue. On the bilateral level the regular exchange seems to be limited to the once a year seminar of JIIA and SWP. This session shall identify ways for future dialogue and possible cooperation in security, non-proliferation policy etc.*

Speakers:

**Klaus Vietze**, German Foreign Office, asked

**Takako Ueta**, International Christian University, Japan

Chair: **Masako Ikegami**, Stockholm University

*4:30 pm Final drinks and snacks*



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