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**THE ULAANBAATAR DIALOGUE ON NORTHEAST ASIAN SECURITY**  
**The Eighth International Conference**  
**15–16 June 2023**

Consensus Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

**AGENDA**

**15 June 2023, Thursday (Day 1)**

**08:30 - 09:00** Registration

**09:00 - 09:45** **OPENING SESSION**

Chair: **Ms. Mandkhai Batsuren**, Director General, Department of Multilateral Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

Remarks by **H.E. Ms. Battsetseg Batmunkh**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

Remarks by **Prof. Davaadorj Begz**, Director of the Institute for Strategic Studies of Mongolia

Remarks by **Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu**, the United Nations Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for Disarmament Affairs

Video message by **Ms. Rosemary Di Carlo**, the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs

Photo Session (all participants)

**09:45 - 10:00** Coffee break (*Nomin* Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

**10:00 - 12:30** **SESSION 1: SECURITY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE REGION**

Despite the ramifications of the pandemic, security tensions remain high in Northeast Asia due to ongoing geopolitical and geo-economic competition among the great powers and uncertainty on the Korean Peninsula. This session will provide a platform for regional experts, policymakers, and academics to discuss security challenges and opportunities in the sub-region.

*What are the most pressing security challenges and their trends? What are the short, medium, and long-term implications for the region and beyond?*

Moderator: **Dr. Mendee Jargalsaikhan**, Deputy Director, Institute for Strategic Studies of Mongolia

**COL Munkh-Ochir Dorjjugder**, Head of Department for Strategic Policy and Analysis, Executive Office of the National Security Council, Mongolia

**Dr. Sun Ru**, Research Professor, the Institute of World Political Studies, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR), PRC  
**Dr. Noboru Miyawaki**, Professor, Faculty of Policy Science, Ritsumeikan University, Osaka, Japan  
**Dr. Bomi Kim**, Research Fellow, Institute for National Security Strategy, ROK  
**Dr. Vladimir Evseev**, Head, Division for Eurasian Integration and SCO, Institute of CIS Countries, Russian Federation  
**Dr. Satu P. Limaye**, Vice President, East-West Center, and Director of Research, East-West Center in Washington, USA

Q&A

**12:30 - 13:30** Lunch (*Nomin* Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

**13:30 - 15:30** **TRACK I ROUNDTABLE MEETING** (CLOSED SESSION/BY INVITATION ONLY)

**13:30 - 15:30** **SESSION 2: MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN NORTHEAST ASIA**

Although the Northeast Asian region lacks an overarching security mechanism, there are numerous efforts that have been made to build confidence and trust. State actors as well as even non-governmental organizations have put forward and tried to promote various types of confidence-building measures (CBMs). This session will be welcoming experts from the sub-region and beyond to share their perspectives on successful CBMs, examine past and current examples, and explore practical steps for sustainable CBMs in the region.

*How can countries contribute to effective CBM? What are the best practices for CBM?*

Moderator: **Mr. Paul Dziatkowiec**, Head of Diplomatic Dialogue, Geneva Centre for Security Policy

**Dr. Antoine Maire**, Research Associate, Foundation for Strategic Research (FRS), France  
**Mr. Aidar Kurmashev**, Head, Department of Asian Studies, Center for International Studies, ISS, Kazakhstan  
**COL Altankhuu Badarch**, Research Fellow, Institute for Strategic Studies, Mongolia  
**Dr hab. Michał Lubina**, Jagiellonian University, Institute of Middle and Far East, Poland  
**Dr. Huseyin Bagci**, Professor, Middle East Technical University, Türkiye

Q&A

**15:30 - 15:45** Coffee break (*Nomin* Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

**15:45 - 17:00** **SESSION 3: FUTURING PEACE IN NORTHEAST ASIA**

This session will be jointly organized with the UN Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) and will provide a platform for youth representatives to share their views and recommendations on regional peace and security with policymakers. Youth representatives will discuss ways to strengthen ties between youth in the region, create common narratives, promote confidence-building measures, and bridge gaps between generations.

*How could policymakers better hear young people's voices and allow for contributions to policymaking? In what areas should youth expertise be prioritized?*

Moderator: **Ms. Sonja Bachmann**, Team Leader, Northeast Asia and the Pacific, UN Department of Political Affairs, United Nations

**Ms. Ijun Kim**, Youth Peacebuilder, UNDPPA's 'Futuring Peace in Northeast Asia'; UNICEF Youth Foresight Fellow, ROK

**Ms. Yuefeng Shi**, Youth Peacebuilder, UNDPPA's 'Futuring Peace in Northeast Asia', PRC

**Ms. Khishigjargal Enkhbayar**, Youth Peacebuilder, UNDPPA's 'Futuring Peace in Northeast Asia'; Secretary General of the NGO 'United Nations Association of Mongolia', Mongolia

**Mr. Tengis Batbayar**, Youth Peacebuilder, UNDPPA's 'Futuring Peace in Northeast Asia', Mongolia

Q&A

**18:30 - 20:30** Reception co-hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia and the Institute for Strategic Studies of Mongolia  
(*Soyombo Hall, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, The Best Western Tuushin Hotel*)

### **16 June 2023, Friday (Day 2)**

**08:30 - 09:00** Registration

#### **09:00 - 10:40** **SESSION 4: THE POST-COVID ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN THE REGION**

The pandemic has had a strong impact on trade, investment, and financial markets while impacting all communities, and individuals. International financial institutions and countries have implemented substantial policy measures and stimulus programs to reduce the impacts of the pandemic. This session will provide a platform for economists, policymakers, and business representatives from Asian countries and international financial institutions to engage in constructive discussions about the post-COVID-19 economic collaboration.

*How can regional countries and international financial organizations cooperate to stabilize regional economy, improve connectivity, and prepare for future crises?*

Moderator: **Mr. Tumentsogt Tsevegmid**, Chairman of the Business Council of Mongolia

**Dr. Mimura Mitsuhiro**, Professor, Economic and Social Research Institute for Northeast Asia, University of Niigata Prefecture (ERINA-UNP), Japan

**Dr. Gregory Gleson**, Professor, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, USA

**Ms. Lakshmi Boojo**, Director, Economic Policy and Competitiveness Research Center, Mongolia

**Mr. Yesukhei Enkhuvshin**, Director, Investment Research Center, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

**Mr. Hannes A. Takacs**, Head of Mongolia, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

**Mr. Rufat Alimardanov**, Resident Representative for Mongolia, IFC

Q&A

**10:40 - 11:00** Coffee break (*Nomin Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia*)

#### **11:00 - 12:40** **SESSION 5: POWER GRID CONNECTIVITY FOR THE ENERGY TRANSITION IN NORTHEAST ASIA**

This session will be jointly organized with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP) inviting government officials and regional experts on energy cooperation. Participants will share their views on the potential for power interconnections in Northeast Asia based on

the “Green Power Corridor Roadmap” proposed by UN ESCAP and the preliminary outcomes of scenario modelling on cross-border grid connectivity using renewable sources of energy. The session will also encourage participants to focus on challenges and opportunities for addressing the interlinked targets of Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG 7) and 13 as well as how to promote regional energy integration through bilateral and multilateral cooperation.

11:00 – 11:05 Opening remarks and Progress on the “Green Power Corridor Road Map”

**Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav**, Head, Subregional Office for East and North-East Asia, ESCAP

11:05 – 11:20 Modelling Scenarios for the Green Power Corridor

**Mr. Jason Vesey**, Stockholm Environment Institute

11:20 – 12:40 Panel Discussion with Government representatives and Sub-regional experts on the Green Power Corridor Road Map

Moderator: **Mr. Matthew Wittenstein**, Chief, Energy Connectivity Section, ESCAP

Panel:

**Mr. Xun Wang**, National Energy Administration, PRC

**Mr. Enkhtuvshin Ganbaatar**, Head of Investment and Production Division, Ministry of Energy, Mongolia

**Ms. Anna Pribylova**, Counsellor, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Energy, Russian Federation

**Dr. Dongil Lee**, Secretary-General, CIGRE Korea

**Mr. Baldorj Chimeddorj**, Solar Engineer, World Bank PMO

**Mr. Seiichiro Kimura**, Renewable Energy Institute

**Dr. Xinzhi Xu**, Senior Engineer, GEIDCO

**Mr. Yanqin Song**, Senior Energy Specialist, World Bank, Mongolia

Q&A

**12:40 - 14:00** Lunch (*Nomin* Hall, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia)

**14:00 - 15:00** **CLOSING SESSION**

Chair:

**Dr. Mendee Jargalsaikhan**, Deputy Director, the Institute for Strategic Studies, Mongolia

Moderators' summary:

**Mr. Paul Dziatkowiec**, Head of Diplomatic Dialogue, Geneva Centre for Security Policy

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Remarks by **Mr. Ankhbayar Nyamdorj**, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia

