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***Peaceful Maritime Engagement in East Asia  
and the Pacific Region***

International Conference Hall, Sasakawa Peace Foundation Building, Tokyo  
10 – 13 May 2021

**Monday, May 10**

**18:00-19:30**      **Opening Reception**, Akasaka Excel Hotel (by private invitation)  
Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae, President, JIIA (TBD)  
Professor Myron Nordquist, Center for Oceans Law & Policy

**Tuesday, May 11**

**8:30-8:50**      **Conference Opening**  
Mr. Nobuo Tanaka, Chairman, the Sasakawa Peace Foundation or Dr. Atsushi  
Sunami, President, the Ocean Policy Research Institute,  
Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry, President, World Maritime University

**8:50-9:10**      **Introduction**  
Professor Emeritus Naoya Okuwaki, the University of Tokyo and Senior Adjunct  
Fellow, JIIA (as JIIA rep.)

**9:10-10:50**      **Panel 1: Baselines and Archipelagic States**  
*Moderator: Professor Masaharu Yanagihara, The Open University of Japan*  
Speaker 1 Professor Clive Schofield, Head of Research, WMU - Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute  
Speaker 2 Professor Dai Tamada, Kobe University  
Speaker 3 Mr. Henry S. Bensurto, Jr., Consul General of the Philippines in San Francisco  
Speaker 4 Professor Richard Barnes, University of Hull

**10:50-11:00**      **Break**

**11:00-12:40**      **Panel 2: Navigation Rights/Law Enforcement**  
*Moderator: Executive Director Nong Hong, Institute for China-America Studies*  
Speaker 1 Rear Admiral Fred W. Kacher, United States Navy  
Speaker 2 “Combatting International Maritime Crimes in Southeast Asia” Professor Robert Beckman,  
Centre for International Law, Singapore  
Speaker 3 “Navigation Rights and Law Enforcement: An Australian Perspective” Professor David  
Letts, Australian National University & Australian National Centre for Ocean  
Resources & Security, University of Wollongong  
Speaker 4 Professor Kyo Arai, Doshisha University

**12:40-14:10**      **Luncheon**  
Keynote speaker: Judge Shunji Yanai, International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea  
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**14:10-15:50**      **Panel 3: Arctic Shipping**  
*Moderator: Douglas Burnett, General Counsel, US Maritime Administration*

Speaker 1 “Beyond the Polar Code: How Canada might Regulate Low Impact Corridors in the Northwest Passage” Professor Aldo Chircop, Dalhousie University  
Speaker 2 Associate Professor Kentaro Wani, Osaka University  
Speaker 3 “Arctic Shipping on the Northern Sea Route - Balance of National and International Interests” Dr. Mikhail Grigoryev, Director, GECON  
Speaker 4 Dr. Zhen Sun, Research Officer, WMU - Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute

**15:50-16:00**      **Break**

**16:00-17:30**      **Panel 4: Maritime Security Issues Concerning Small Island States**

*Moderator: TBD*

Speaker 1 Raul “Pete” Pedrozo, Principal Deputy Legal Adviser, INDOPACOM

Speaker 2 Professor Donald Rothwell, Australian National University

Speaker 3 Associate Professor Masahiro Kurosaki, National Defense Academy

## **Wednesday, May 12**

**8:30-9:00**      **Policy Speech:** *Official from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (TBD)*

**9:00-10:40**      **Panel 5: East China Sea Maritime Boundaries**

*Moderator: Myron Nordquist, Center for Oceans Law and Policy*

Speaker 1 Professor Shigeki Sakamoto, Doshisha University and Trustee, Sasakawa Peace Foundation

Speaker 2 TBD

Speaker 3 Professor LEE Keun-Gwan, Seoul National University

Speaker 4 Professor Stuart Kaye, University of Wollongong

**10:40-11:00**      **Break**

**11:00-12:30**      **Panel 6: Preservation of the Marine Environment, Including the Hazard of Plastic Debris**

*Moderator: Ambassador Havas Oegroseno, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Germany*

Speaker 1 Associate Professor Tomofumi Kitamura, the University of Tokyo

Speaker 2 “The Implications of the BBNJ Treaty for the Region” Professor Joanna Mossop, Victoria University of Wellington

Speaker 3 Dr. Aleke Stöfen-O'Brien, Associate Research Officer, WMU - Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute

**12:30-14:00**      **Luncheon**

Keynote speaker: Michael Lodge, Secretary-General, ISA

*Introduced by Myron Nordquist*

**14:00-15:40**      **Panel 7: Issues Arising Out of Climate Change**

*Moderator: Professor Ronán Long, WMU - Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute*

Speaker 1 “Sea Level Issues in the Region” Professor Larry Mayer, University of New Hampshire, USA

Speaker 2 Professor Sherry Broder, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

Speaker 3 Professor Naoki Iwatsuki, Rikkyo University

Speaker 4 Professor Karen Scott, University of Canterbury

**15:40-16:10 Conclusion**

*Moderator: tba Under consideration*

Speaker: Professor Atsuko Kanehara, Sophia University

**18:00-20:00 Gala Dinner**

*Speaker: tba Under consideration*

**Thursday, May 13**

Cultural Tour