

34th ASEAN ROUNDTABLE

OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN UNCERTAINTY

9 December 2019
Singapore

PROGRAMME

- 9.00am – 9.30am Registration
- 9.30am – 9.45am **OPENING REMARKS**
Mr. *CHOI* Shing Kwok
Director, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute
- Mr Christian *ECHLE*
Director, Regional Programme Political Dialogue Asia
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung
- 9.45am – 11.00am **SESSION 1: A CODE OF CONDUCT IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA: A PANACEA OR POISON PILL?**
- Moderator:* Ms. *HOANG* Thi Ha
Lead Researcher (Political-Security Affairs), ASEAN
Studies Centre, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute
- Panelists:* Ms. Sumathy *PERMAL*
Centre Head for the Centre for Straits of Malacca
Maritime Institute of Malaysia (MIMA), Malaysia
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jay *BATONGBACAL*
Institute for Maritime Affairs and Law of the Sea,
University of the Philippines
- Dr. *HA* Anh Tuan
Assistant Director General, Diplomatic Academy of
Vietnam
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- 11.00am – 11.15am **Coffee Break**
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11.15am – 12.45pm **SESSION 2: RCEP: SO NEAR, YET SO FAR?**

Moderator: Ms. Alpana *ROY*
Director, ASEAN Division, Ministry of Trade and
Industry, Singapore

Panelists: Dato' Steven *WONG*
Former Deputy Chief Executive
Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS)
Malaysia

Mr. Greg *EARL*
Economic Diplomacy Columnist
The Interpreter, Lowy Institute, Australia

Ambassador Dr Mohan *KUMAR*
Chairman of Research and Information System for
Developing Countries (RIS), India

12.45pm – 2.00pm **Lunch**

2.00pm – 3.15pm **SESSION 3: THE US-CHINA TRADE WAR: IMPLICATIONS FOR
SOUTHEAST ASIAN ECONOMIES**

Moderator: Dr. Siwage Dharma *NEGARA*
Senior Fellow, Regional Economic Studies Programme,
ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute

Panelists: Dr Shankaran *NAMBIAR*
Head of Research
Malaysian Institute of Economic Research (MIER),
Malaysia

Dr. *CHUA* Hak Bin
Senior Economist, Maybank Kim Eng
Singapore

Dr. *CAN* Van Luc
Chief Economist, Bank for Investment and
Development of Vietnam (BIDV)

3.15pm – 3.30pm **Coffee Break**

3.30pm – 4.55pm **SESSION 4: CHINA OR THE US: A FALSE CHOICE FOR ASEAN?**

Moderator: Dr. *TANG* Siew Mun
Head, ASEAN Studies Centre, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak
Institute

Panelists: Dr. Edy *PRASETYONO*
Executive Director, Centre for ASEAN Studies,
University of Indonesia

Prof. Dr. Aileen *BAVIERA*
President, Asia Pacific Pathways to Progress,
The Philippines

Prof. Dr. Zakaria Hj *AHMAD*
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), HELP University,
Malaysia

4.55pm – 5.00pm **CLOSING REMARKS**

Dr. *TANG* Siew Mun
Head, ASEAN Studies Centre, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute

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