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9TH INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY CONFERENCE

**Incorporating
RSIS Sideline Events**

7 - 8 May 2025

Co-organised by
*Maritime Security Studies Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies
S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, and
Republic of Singapore Navy*

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PROGRAMME

Day 1 – Wednesday, 7 May 2025	
INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY CONFERENCE Venue: Changi Exhibition Centre <i>For those that had registered to take the RSIS coach, please gather at PARKROYAL on Beach Road Ballroom Foyer by 0745hrs for coach transport to IMSC venue</i>	
0815 - 0900	Badge Collection at CEC Counter
0900 - 0905	OPENING REMARKS Rear Admiral Sean Wat <i>Chief of Navy, Republic of Singapore Navy</i>
0910 - 1030	PANEL 1: GEOPOLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS AND THEIR MARITIME CONSEQUENCES <u>Moderator</u> Professor Tommy Koh <i>Former President, UN Conference on the Law of the Sea</i> <u>Panellists</u> Dr Rizal Sukma <i>Senior Fellow, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta</i> Dr David Finkelstein <i>Vice President and Director, China and Indo-Pacific Security Affairs Division, Center for Naval Analyses, US</i> Dr Wu Shicun <i>Chairman, Huayang Center for Maritime Cooperation and Ocean Governance; and Founding President and Chairman of Academic Committees, National Institute for South China Sea Studies</i> Dr Sarah Kirchberger <i>Academic Director, Institute for Security Policy, Kiel University; and Vice President of the German Maritime Institute</i>
1030 - 1145	PANEL 2: MUTUAL COOPERATION AND COLLABORATION IN PIVOTAL TIMES <u>Moderator</u> Professor Joseph Liow <i>Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i> <u>Panellists</u> Admiral Datuk (Dr) Zulhemy Bin Ithnain <i>Chief of Navy, Royal Malaysian Navy</i>

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	<p>Rear Admiral Garin Golding <i>Chief of Navy, Royal New Zealand Navy</i></p> <p>Vice Admiral Kanchana Banagoda <i>Commander of the Sri Lanka Navy</i></p> <p>Admiral Stephen T. Koehler <i>Commander, US Pacific Fleet, United States Navy</i></p>
1145 - 1345	NETWORKING LUNCH
1345 - 1510	<p>PANEL 3: NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MARITIME DOMAIN AND THEIR IMPACT ON CONTEMPORARY MARITIME ISSUES</p> <p><u>Moderator</u></p> <p>Professor Geoffrey Till <i>Advisor, Maritime Security Programme, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies</i></p> <p><u>Panellists</u></p> <p>Rear-Admiral S.M. Waddell <i>Deputy Commander, Royal Canadian Navy</i></p> <p>Leitender Polizeidirektor Nils von Waaden <i>Head, Department for Maritime Security, German Federal Police</i></p> <p>Vice Admiral Erwin S. Aldedharma <i>Deputy Chief of Staff, Indonesian Navy</i></p> <p>Admiral Saito Akira <i>Chief of Staff, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force</i></p>
1510	<p>CLOSING REMARKS</p> <p>Ambassador Ong Keng Yong <i>Executive Deputy Chairman, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies</i></p>

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RSIS NETWORKING DINNER Venue: Jumbo Seafood Riverside Point	
1800 - 2030	Please gather at PARKROYAL on Beach Road Ballroom Foyer by 1800hrs for coach transport to dinner venue

Day 2 – Thursday, 8 May 2025

RSIS-KING’S COLLEGE LONDON WORKSHOP

Venue: PARKROYAL on Beach Road, Sky Ballroom 3, Level 1

0830 - 0900	REGISTRATION
0900 - 1230	<p>RSIS-KING’S COLLEGE LONDON WORKSHOP</p> <p>OPENING REMARKS</p> <p>Professor Kumar Ramakrishna <i>Provost’s Chair in National Security Studies, Dean, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p>PANEL 1: Maritime Conflict and Competition</p> <p><u>Moderator</u> Professor Alessio Patalano <i>Professor of War & Strategy King’s College London</i></p> <p><u>Panellists</u> Dr Nguyen Thi Lan Anh <i>Vice President, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam</i></p> <p>Dr Hideshi Tokuchi <i>President, Research Institute for Peace and Security (RIPS)</i></p> <p>Mr Shahrman Lockman <i>Director (Special Projects), ISIS Malaysia</i></p> <p>Dr Celine Pajon <i>Head of Japan and Indo-Pacific Research, Center for Asian Studies, French Institute of International Relations (IFRI)</i></p> <p>PANEL 2: Emerging Marsec Concerns</p> <p><u>Moderator</u> Ms Jane Chan <i>Senior Fellow and Coordinator, Maritime Security Programme, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</i></p> <p><u>Panellists</u> Associate Professor Jay Batongbacal <i>Director, Institute for Maritime Affairs and Law of the Sea, University of the Philippines</i></p> <p>Professor Raul “Pete” Pedrozo <i>Howard S. Levie Professor of the Law of Armed Conflict, Stockton Center for International Law, U.S. Naval War College</i></p>

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	<p>Senior Colonel (Ret.) Zhou Bo <i>Senior Fellow, Centre for International Security and Strategy, Tsinghua University</i></p> <p>Ms Dita Liliansa <i>Research Associate, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore</i></p>
1230 - 1400	LUNCH
<p>RSIS FIRESIDE CHATS Venue: PARKROYAL on Beach Road, Sky Ballroom 3, Level 1</p>	
1400 - 1500	<p>FIRESIDE CHAT (I)</p> <p>Moderator: Professor Geoffrey Till, RSIS</p> <p>Vice Admiral Aaron Beng <i>Chief of Defence Force, Singapore Armed Forces</i></p>
1500 - 1530	BREAK
1530 - 1630	<p>FIRESIDE CHAT (II) - Security of Critical Undersea Infrastructures</p> <p>Moderator: Professor Alessio Patalano, King's College London</p> <p>Professor Robert C. Beckman <i>Head, Ocean Law and Policy Programme, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore</i></p> <p>Dr Curie Maharani <i>Director of Research, Indo-Pacific Strategic Intelligence</i></p>
1630 - 1700	BREAK

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1700 - 1800	<p>FIRESIDE CHAT (III) - Geopolitical Developments and their Maritime Consequences</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Jane Chan, RSIS</p> <p>Dr Nguyen Hung Son <i>Acting President, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam</i></p> <p>Dr David Finkelstein <i>Vice President and Director, China and Indo-Pacific Security Affairs Division, Center for Naval Analyses (CNA), US</i></p> <p>Professor Hu Bo <i>Research Professor, Director of SCSPI, and Director of the Center for Maritime Strategy Studies Peking University, China</i></p> <p>Dr Shafiah Muhibat <i>Deputy Executive Director for Research, Centre for Strategic and International Studies</i></p>
1800	End of Event

Day 2 – Thursday, 8 May 2025

WARSHIP COCKTAIL RECEPTION

Venue: Changi Naval Base

1830 - 2130	<p>Please gather at PARKROYAL on Beach Road Ballroom Foyer by 1830hrs for coach transport to reception venue</p>
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