

ASEAN**The ASEAN way as a symbol : an analysis of discourses on the ASEAN norms/ Taku Yukawa**

The Pacific Review : Vol.31, No.3, May 2018, pp. 298-314 (103)

This paper aims to analyse the discourses of each ASEAN country and empirically explain their attitudes toward the norm.

CHINA**China's South Asian miscalculation/ Raffaello Pantucci**

Current History: April 2018, pp.142-147 (20)

The article highlights Beijing miscalculations regarding India have created conflict with a regional power that has the capability and desire to disrupt China's outward push.

China envisions growing role in regional security/ Mark Metcalf

Proceedings US Naval Institute :April 2018, pp. 42-46 (86)

China's security role in Asia was one of several topics discussed at the 14th annual East Asia security symposium. China sees itself and the United States as key power brokers in Asia.

China developing UAVs for aircraft carriers/ Andrew Tate

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 15, 11 April 2018, p.6 (122)

Commercial satellite imagery captured in November 2016 shows a UAV at a catapult test site of the People's Liberation Army Navy Air Force (PLANAF) base at Huangdicun. China has an active programme for the development of autonomous aerial vehicles using artificial intelligence, and claims to have achieved a record number of 119 autonomous aerial vehicles flying in a swarm.

CHINA**Blue water PLAN: China's emerging high-seas fleet/ Andrew Tate**

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 15, 11 April 2018, pp.30-32 (122)

During the 1996 Taiwan Strait Crisis the imbalance of naval power in the Pacific between the United States and China was overwhelmingly in the favour of the USN. Two decades later things have changed dramatically, more in this article.

China reveals sale of advanced missile-tracking technology to Pakistan/ Richard D Fisher Jr

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 14, 4 April 2018, p.14 (122)

China has revealed the sale of an advanced missile-tracking system to Pakistan that may enhance the South Asian country's ability to develop multiple independently targetable re-entry vehicle (MIRV) technology for its medium-to long-range missile systems. Chinese engineers and technicians completed integration tests over the past three months and provided "training and guidance" to Pakistani personnel, said the Chinese Academy of Sciences, adding that the system meets or exceeds the agreed technical requirements "in terms of function, imaging quality, and distance and tracking accuracy"

CYBER**Help wanted : cyber pros/ Rick Adams**

Military Technology: Vol. XLII, Issue 4, 2018, pp.58-59 (38)

A severe shortage of cyber skilled personnel as militaries around the world scramble to scale-up to battle the bots being launched daily whether terrorists or national intelligence agencies.

CYBER**The cyber frontier and digital pitfalls in the global South/ Niels Nagelhus Schia**

Third World Quarterly : Vol.39, No.5, 2018, pp.821-837 (101)

This article examines the little studied issue of the new societal vulnerabilities emerging from digitalisation in global south. This article has drawn on the cyber frontier perspective in order to highlight pitfalls pertaining to security and development assistance

Global cyber : awareness/ Megan Gates

Security Management: January 2018, pp.28-31 (92)

The article highlights on risk of cyber-attacks. A global survey finds that many industries at risk of cyber-attacks are unprepared to deal and lack of information security strategy,

CYBERTERROR**Individual behaviour as a defense in the war on cyber terror: a system dynamics approach/ Stefano Armenia**

Studies in Conflict & Terrorism, Vol.41, No 1, 2, 3, January, February, March 2018, pp. 109-132 (114)

The objective of this article was to investigate how the individual behaviour of employees in critical infrastructures can help diminish the possibilities of a successful cyberterrorism act.

FINANCIAL WAR ON TERRORISM**Out with the old and ... in with the old? a critical review of the financial war on terrorism on the Islamic state of Iraq and Levant/ Nicholas Ryder**

Studies in Conflict & Terrorism, Vol.41, No 1, 2, 3, January, February, March 2018, pp. 79-95 (114)

The aim of this article has been highlight the likely impact of the financial war on terrorism on ISIL. This article has presented evidence that ISIL has been able to obtain funding from a very wide range of sources.

FORCE PROTECTION**Projecting the force in the Pacific/ James S Moore**

Army Sustainment : March-April 2018, pp.40-43 (74)

The article highlights on force projection. The processes of force projection mobilization, deployment, employment, sustainment and redeployment are a continuous, overlapping and repeating sequence of events throughout the operation. Force projection operations are inherently joint and require detailed planning and synchronization.

INDONESIA**Indonesian perceptions of the rise of China : dare you , dare you not/ Evi Fitriani**

The Pacific Review : Vol.31, No.3, May 2018, pp. 391-405 (103)

This article explores the inherent variability of Indonesia's relationship with China over the fifteen years.

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY**Turkey's intelligence service projects influence abroad**

Jane's Intelligence Review Dated 31 January 2018

German authorities are paying increased attention to the actions of Turkish groups in the country, amid concerns that such groups may operate as Ankara's agents of influence. This article examines the cases that have come to light and assesses the outlook for further allegations of covert Turkish activity in Germany.

IRAN**On the radar: Iranian air defence developments/ Jeremy Binnie**

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 15, 11 April 2018, pp.22-29 (122)

Iran's growing arsenal of ballistic missiles and anti-ship capabilities provide the country with an offensive deterrent capability, while its surface-to-air missile systems protect these and other strategic assets, making any attempt to attack the Islamic Republic a difficult proposition. This article reports.

ISIS**Turkey faces threat from transiting Islamist militants/ Metin Gurcan**

Jane's Intelligence Review Dated 17 January 2018

With Islamist militants leaving Iraq and Syria, Turkey is likely to become a transit country, a place of temporary residence, or even a final destination for militant fighters. This article examines the prospects for Turkey's fight against Islamist extremist networks in 2018.

Annual Defence Report 2017: Middle East & Africa/ Jeremy Binnie

Jane's Defence Weekly Dated 08 December 2017

The Islamic State has had a bad year, having lost almost all of its territory in Iraq and Syria by November. However, despite the collapse of their self-declared 'caliphate', the Sunni extremists will continue their campaign of violence by returning to insurgent and terrorist tactics, feeding on anti-Shia sentiment and opposition to Syria's President Bashar al-Assad.

JAPAN**Nato-Japan relations : projecting strategic narratives of natural partnership and cooperative security/ Paul Bacon**

Asian Security: Vol 14, No. 1, pp. 1-7

The article highlights on how Nato has successfully communicated narratives of natural partnership and cooperative security to Japan.

Changing course: JMSDF transforms to meet emerging challenges/ Ridzwan Rahmat

IHS Jane's Navy International: Vol.123, Issue 03, April 2018, p.12-19 (124)

Amid an increasingly charged security landscape in East Asia, the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force is adapting itself to deal with a wide spectrum of threats. This article reviews the Japanese fleet.

Wary of China, Japan to upgrade radar system on Iwo Jima/ Kosuke Takahashi

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 15, 11 April 2018, p.6 (122)

The MoD has repeatedly expressed "deep concern" over China's actions in the East China Sea, saying that the activities of Chinese vessels and military aircraft in the region have been "expanding and accelerating" as part of what Tokyo described as Beijing's attempt to rapidly change the military balance in the Asia-Pacific region.

JAPAN

JGSDF reorganises under single command, launches Amphibious Rapid Deployment Brigade/ Kosuke Takahashi

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 14, 4 April 2018, p.15 (122)

The Japan Ground Self-Defense Force (JGSDF) has undergone its largest reorganisation since its formation in 1954 with the creation of a unified command and the launch of an amphibious brigade tasked with defending Japan's remote islands.

LEADERSHIP

A commander's role in planning/ Eric P Wolfe

Marine Corps Gazette : Vol.102, No.3, March 2018, pp.9-12 (71)

The article highlights the visualization is the mental process of developing situational awareness, determining a desired end state. The commanders direct through their intent setting achievable objectives issuing clear tasks to their subordinates through integrated planning.

MALAYSIA

Defence for and from Malaysia/ Dzirhan Mahadzir

Military Technology: Vol. XLII, Issue 4, 2018, pp.50-52 (38)

The article looks at equipment and capability gaps in the Malaysia armed forces. It covers budget, defence industry and future procurement and development plans.

Malaysia in 2017 : clever politics deeper transformation/ Anthony Milner

Asian Survey: Vol.58 No.1, January- February 2018, pp.174-180 (12)

The article highlights on the government of Prime Minister Najib Rajak headed by the United Malays National organization (UMNO) looked more secure. Alongside the Najib administration's emphasis on moderation internationally, welcomed especially in Western countries, the domestic focus on gaining Malay support has encouraged less moderate initiatives.

MARITIME

On a sea of risk

Security Management: April 2018, pp.62-70 (92)

This article is aimed at assisting those who are exploring the question of acceptable levels of risk, and how those risks might be mitigated in the maritime sector. It discusses the information that informs a risk analysis breakdown potential bad actors their tactics and targets and appropriate protection strategies.

MYANMAR

In the space between exception and integration : the Kokang borderlands on the Periphery of China and Myanmar/ Zhiding Hu

Geo Politics : Vol 23 Issue 1, 2018, pp.147-179

The article addresses the changing role of the border under conditions of conflict and security enhancement and the malleable definition of borderlands territory.

NAVAL FORCES

Know the ropes : training to prevent disaster at sea/ Alix Valenti

Naval Forces: Vol.XXXIX, No.II, 2018, pp.35-37 (41)

The aimed of the courses developing both individual and team competencies to ensure that accidents are eliminated to the extent possible and to make sure that where accidents do happen.

NAVY

Radical turnaround: Australia's Collins class finally comes of age/ Julian Kerr

IHS Jane's Navy International: Vol.123, Issue 03, April 2018, p.20-25 (124)

In October 2017 Australia's problem-plagued Collins-class submarines were finally removed from the DoD's 'projects of concern' list after demonstrating a dramatic improvement in performance and availability during the past four years. This article reports on the maturing of the class

NAVY

Coastal connections: US marines test technology and tactics to secure the shoreline/ Michael Fabey

IHS Jane's Navy International: Vol.123, Issue 01, January/February 2018, p.14-19 (124)

The USMC is continuing its push to return to its expeditionary roots, focusing on equipment and systems that get it from ship to shore and inland more quickly and easily while enhancing operations in forward locations. This article reports.

NORTH KOREA

North Korean ICBM design shows external influence/ Nick Hansen

Jane's Intelligence Review Dated 09 February 2018

North Korea's ballistic missile programme made unprecedented advances during the course of 2017. This article examines the new Hwaseong-15 and determine that it is evidence of external support to North Korea's missile development.

NORTH KOREA

UN report reveals extent of North Korean arms sales/ James Bingham

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 15, 11 April 2018, p.8 (122)

A report by a United Nations panel of experts has identified a broad network of defence co-operation between North Korea and several other countries; Syria, Eritrea, North Korea, Myanmar and Sudan.

OPEN SOURCE INTELLIGENCE

OSINT transparency raises ethical questions/ Allison Puccioni and Melissa Hanham

Jane's Intelligence Review Dated 12 February 2018

Open-source intelligence has shifted from proving its value to becoming an enabler and an irritant for nations. This article considers the advantages and disadvantages of the transparency that OSINT affords.

PAKISTAN

The struggle for control of Pakistan's fragile democracy/ Umair Javed

Current History: April 2018, pp.123-128 (20)

Democracy returned to Pakistan on the shoulders of a rule of law movement against the military dictator President Pervez Musharraf.

Violent attacks on education in the tribal areas of Pakistan and the role of NGOs in providing educational services/ Muhammad Ammad Khan

Conflict, Security & Development: Vol 18, No. 2, March 2018, pp. 113-136

The study addresses a call for a better understanding of how non-governmental organisations (NGOs) function and contribute to peace building and development through the provision of educational services in conflict zones.

POLICY**Rising powers and order contestation: disaggregating the normative from the representational/ Edward Newman**

Third World Quarterly : Vol.39, No.5, 2018, pp.871-888 (101)

Rising powers and contestation, normative or representational will explore the discourse of rising powers how they individually and collectively define their place in the transitional order through elite discourse in particular as it relates to the norms which underpin international order and policy objectives and demands.

PROCUREMENT**Singapore reveals first images of Aster 30 SAM system, confirms delivery/ Kelvin Wong**

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 15, 11 April 2018, p.14 (122)

The Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) has revealed the first images of its newly delivered MBDA Aster 30 SAMP/T (Sol-Air Moyenne Portée Terrestre, or surface-to-air medium range/land) self-propelled surface-to-air missile (SAM) system. The system will replace the RSAF's heavily modified but ageing Raytheon MIM-23B Improved Homing All the Way Killer (I-HAWK) missile systems operated by 163 Squadron, which entered service in the early 1980s.

SINGAPORE**Singapore in 2017 : structural changes and political challenges/ Narayanan Ganesan**

Asian Survey: Vol.58 No.1, January- February 2018, pp.188-193 (12)

Singapore introduced new rules to guarantee the election of minority candidates to the elected presidency.

SOUTH KOREA**Anchors aweigh: south Korea's nuclear powered submarine project/ Sukjoon Yoon**

Naval Forces: Vol.XXXIX, No.II, 2018, pp.44-46 (41)

The progressive development of North Korean underwater assets together with the inexorable threat of its nuclear armed ballistic missiles, confronts South Korea with an existential imperative.

Evolving organised crime groups pose threat to South Korea Neuhaus Dolf-Alexander

Jane's Intelligence Review Dated 19 January 2018

South Korean organised crime has evolved since a government crackdown in the early 1990s. This article examines how these criminal groups have responded by becoming increasingly sophisticated and international in their operations.

First F-35 for South Korea rolled out/ Gareth Jennings

IHS Jane's Defence Weekly: Vol.55 Issue 14, 4 April 2018, p.5 (122)

In September 2014 South Korea approved a deal to acquire 40 F-35As for about USD6.8 billion. The F-35 made its national debut at the recent Seoul International Aerospace and Defence Exhibition (ADEX), when two aircraft from the US Air Force (USAF) appeared in the static display in October 2017. The first RoKAF F-35s will arrive in-country in 2019, to be operated out of South Korea's main operational base at Cheongju.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

The rise of China as a constructed narrative : Southeast Asia's response to Asia's power shift/ Ce Liang

The Pacific Review : Vol.31, No.3, May 2018, pp. 279-297 (103)

The article examines the rise of China from the perspective of three selected countries, the Philippines, Vietnam and Malaysia in Southeast Asia.

THAILAND

All signs point to continued military control

Asia Monitor South East Asia Vol.1 : Vol.29, Issue 5, January 2018, pp.4-5 (49)

The future forward party will focus on progressive policies based on democratic principles and intends to appeal to the country's dissatisfied youth.

TRAINING

Simulation lifts frontline flyers/ Jeremy Torr and Raaf Williamtown

Flight International: 13-19 March 2018, pp.32-34 (65)

To ramp up its training rate and efficiency, the Royal Australian Air Force is working with CAE to bring advanced flight mission simulators into a new pilot mission simulators into a new pilot readiness programme.

UNITED STATES

Moscow and Washington deadlocked over nuclear arms control/ Richard Weitz

Jane's Intelligence Review Dated 23 January 2018

As Russia and the United States meet the limits agreed by the New START treaty, the shared approach to arms control adopted during the past 50 years is unravelling. This article examines the differing attitudes towards the composition of strategic arsenals and the prospect for further arms reductions.

VIETNAM

Mansplaining Vietnam : male veterans and America's popular image of the Vietnam war/ Gregory A Daddis

The Journal of Military History: Vol 82, No.1, January 2018, pp. 184-207

The article examines some of the more lasting works sustaining the popular narrative of Vietnam, one that was constructed in substantial part, by veterans themselves and one in which the male voice resign supreme.

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