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Aloha from APCSS! We have just finished a number of APCSS program concept papers, which in sum, help us understand our prioritized next steps forward.

Whether in our evolving courses here in Hawaii, or in some shortened courses we will begin to offer in various Asia-Pacific national capitals probably once a year; or whether in our outreach activities, from full-up workshops addressing tough security challenges to consultancy work with organizations just needing APCSS help in organizing their analyses, we are trying to help alumni add new and necessary security capacity wherever it’s needed.

Further, with 41 APCSS alumni associations now energized and doing their own internal continuing education, and with expanding internet connectivity from the APCSS public website, to embedded information portals, to APCSSLink which now supports over 1,200 subscribers and will soon have continuing-education information, chat, and video-teleconferencing capability, APCSS is investing in its alumni.

At APCSS, new educational technology in all seminar rooms is also enabling better focused analyses and more timely application of real-time information to real-world security case discussions. Less conjecture, and more facts, upon which to debate issues of the day, which impact all of us. And the menu of possible APCSS virtual learning activities will increase on the internet.

Additionally, the areas of shared learning are evermore responsive to the most complex and challenging security issues of the day, as well as those most likely ahead. Whether it be civil-military relations as enabler and inhibitor, or water scarcity in South Asia as a conflict stimulant, or police and military mission interfacing, or ways and means to economic competitiveness, or security-sector development, or international organization preparedness to contribute to timely disaster relief management, or identifying ways to marginalize extremist elements and impacts, APCSS is contributing to tabling the right security issues for the right leaders to work together.

The physical plant at APCSS, moreover, is getting a “face-lift.” The roof will be renovated, energy-consumption will be “greener,” and a new wing will be added, funding permitting. This wing will house a new learning laboratory designed to help security practitioners better identify, aggregate, and apply critical, time-sensitive information during times of crisis, or routinely in anticipation of events, natural and man-made, which change the security situation within the region. The intent is to help these leaders know what they need to succeed.

As always, our alumni are our credentials at APCSS, and we continue to prioritize introducing valuable and proven ways, means and ends to help them help themselves.

And our APCSS alumni keep demonstrating how they are contributing to the betterment of their countrymen all over the region.

Keep up your superb work, alumni. We’re proud of you and your accomplishments! Aloha from Honolulu!
Auditorium gets a new look, upgrades

In Fall 2008, APCSS made significant changes in the appearance and functionality of the auditorium and six of the Center’s eight seminar rooms in order to highlight the use of relevant technology and enhance APCSS’s collaborative learning experience.

One of the most notable changes occurred in the auditorium where workers removed the large, steel-reinforced concrete stage which, when coupled with the removal of one row of theater seating, opened up the front area for future use as a secondary plenary venue for up to 40 people.

In the six seminar rooms, sound-dampening wall covering in six seminar rooms were installed along with a raised flooring in two seminar rooms. The flooring, which allows cabling to be run throughout each room without creating tripping or other safety hazards, makes the rooms vastly more configurable and capable of supporting future college requirements.

APCSS also upgraded electronic equipment and systems in the auditorium, the Center Conference Room, the Executive Conference Room and all eight seminar rooms. In the auditorium, the two primary rear-firing projectors were replaced with two synchronized projectors capable of creating one, seamless and overlapping multi-media presentation across the existing double-wide screen.

The seminar rooms received major technological facelifts in 2008. The Information Service Department oversaw Education Technology/Information Technology upgrades which included 94-inch SMART® interactive whiteboard with ceiling-mounted projectors; wall-mounted and/or portable 52-inch LCD monitors; 15-inch SMART® technology-based interactive displays (AKA Sympodium®); and wireless switching of up to 16 input devices into up to six displays. With the electronic suite in full operation, seminar leaders can use a wireless tablet to pick and choose what they want up on any of three large displays in their room, choosing from one of their own computers, a Sympodium®, a document camera or one of 13 Fellows’ computers to drive the lesson/discussion. The two seminar rooms in the Center’s modular building each received a 77-inch portable SMART® interactive whiteboard with an integrated projector.

Future initiatives include configuring the Dean’s Conference Room as a full-up seminar room and the installation of an auditorium sound system will support its use as for round-table/conference events.

New roof project for Wing “B”

In January, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Honolulu District awarded a contract to replace roofs on APCSS’ auditorium wing, or Wing “B,” and the restroom building and installation of a solar water heating system for the restroom building and new air conditioning equipment. Both roofs can support future installation of photovoltaic systems for power generation.

The new roofing will resolve ongoing water infiltration problems and will be compatible with the prevailing Fort De-Russy architectural theme.
APCSSLink online with more than 1,200 members

A new portal network to support current courses, alumni and interaction between the Regional Centers was officially opened for business in July 2008. Eight months later, more than 1,200 alumni, faculty, staff and key stakeholders have accounts on the system and that number is growing each day.

ASC09-1 is the first class to use APCSSLink for course readings, discussions, and other postings.

In addition to signing up new Fellows as they attend courses, many alumni including those from APCSS’ earliest classes are now members.

Training is offered to all Fellows while here and a Mobile Training Team was established to help train alumni in the region.

An upgrade to the system will be released this spring. The new system will include features such as chat, internal email, and video teleconferencing capabilities.

Future use of the system may include distance learning as APCSS faculty are able to develop online courses.

APCSS establishes Facebook, RSS feeds

APCSS now has its own page on Facebook. Fans and Friends include a mix of international graduate students, alumni, other Regional Center representatives, U.S. PACOM staff, Center of Excellence staff, regional subject matter experts, APCSS staff and former APCSS staff. We are also using Facebook to stay connected to other regional think tanks. The site is especially useful to alumni in those countries where it’s difficult to access APCSSLink.

RSS news feeds

Populating our various portals is now more efficient thanks to a newly-established APCSS News RSS feed. The feed, available for subscription, helps populate articles on our various websites and portals and also allows for reader feedback.

We have already made great strides to improving and enhancing our travel processes. DoD and USPACOM have implemented some rather strict training requirements for individuals traveling overseas, which we have already implemented internally. The Travel Office has also improved communications with travelers to keep everyone advised of travelers and status of their pending trips.

We stand ready to take care of the travelers so they can better focus on their mission.

APCSS Travel Team: Mr. Clif Johnson (Travel Chief), Staff Sgt. Darien Turpeau (Leading Travel Technician), Mrs. Linda Jimenez, Mrs. Raelyn Brett, and Mr. John Wang (travel technicians). Not pictured is Ms. Debb Dowell (Fellows Support Travel Technician).

Aloha from the recently established Travel Office. The Center established this office to consolidate all travel under one arena of travel experts to best take care of our staff travelers, as well as the hundreds of funded Fellows attending our courses annually.

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Visitors

APCSS was honored with a visit by His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah on Nov. 25, 2008. He was welcomed by Dean Lee Endress and received a Center overview from Deputy Dean Dave Shanahan. During a tour of the Center His Majesty also stopped to take a photo with some of the Fellows currently attending courses here.

Paul McHale, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Security Affairs, is greeted by APCSS Director Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ed Smith on August 6, 2008. Mr. McHale attended a roundtable at APCSS and was briefed on new APCSS initiatives including the Comprehensive Crisis Management Course, Trends Analysis Program, Asia Pacific Collaborative Security Consortium (APCSC), and international outreach workshops. Mr. McHale’s last visit to APCSS was in June 2006, when he inquired about APCSS involvement in “internationalizing” homeland defense.

APCSS was visited by the China Association for International Friendly Contact (CAIFC) led by Hon Xu Jialu, former Vice Chairman of National People’s Congress of China and CAIFC Senior Advisor, and 11 other delegates as well as three representatives from China’s Consul General’s Office in Los Angeles.

Constance Lau, president and CEO, Hawaiian Electric Industries Inc., tours APCSS with Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ed Smith. She is the newest member of the APCSS Foundation.
Hails & Farewells...

The second half of 2008 was witness many personnel changes as faculty and staff joined, departed, or were reassigned within the Center. The faculty was boosted with the arrival of Drs. Rollie Lal, James Campbell, William Wieninger, Ms. Jessica Ear Adler and Army Lt. Col. Mathew Schwab. Talented research intern, Dianna Hummel moved on. However, added good fortune appeared in the form of a new baby boy for Kerry and Justin Nan- kivell.

In Admissions, Camisha Hill signed in while Marine Lt. Col Michael Mollohan signed on for a temporary assignment with United Nations forces.

The Alumni Office acquired two new road warriors with the arrivals of Air Force Maj. Roderick Santulan and Army Maj. Stewart Taylor. Tonya Imus moved on and Cathy Moszkowicz was promoted and took her place. In the busy Conference section, Devonn Wood left us, but newcomers Iris Bertelmann and Terry Slattery are quickly learning the routine.

The Personnel Office itself was not spared its share of activity, losing long-time employee Pedro Gutierrez while another long-time employee Roberta Garrett returned. Sheryl Burgmann departed and Sharlyn Fahl not only departed...but also returned.

The Travel Office saw the departure of Patricia Burdett and the arrival of Raelyn Brett and a new chief, Clifton Johnson. In the Information Services office, another long-timer, the chief of Information Services, Thomas Thorton, retired, Jerome Sajulan became the security chief and Carol Oshiro was promoted.

Air Force Col. Michael Smith is filling the newly created role of Deputy Dean, Admissions and Operations. Gabe Morris temporarily departed as the RIO consultant as it became APCSSLink. Truman Leung came aboard in November until Gabe’s return in March. A few days after starting, Truman and his wife also became proud parents of a baby boy. Glenn Takemoto signed up a business consultant overseeing the details of our military construction project.

After an extended tour at APCSS, Air Force Tech. Sgt. Petree Buford from the Facilities Branch, was reassigned to the mainland. Tech. Sgt. Amanda Wakefield is now in that position. We also had to bid a fond farewell to Bette Uyeda, our comptroller.

Michael Marshall is the newest member of the Trends Analysis Program. Tami Rosado rejoined the library staff after finishing a tour in Japan.

In the front office, Maj. Rich Berry departed and Lt.Col “Fred” Frederick is leaving for temporary duty in Qatar.
In September and October, APCSS’ Trends Analysis Program (TAP) spent time on the road showcasing on-going initiatives and engaging regional audiences in exploring potential areas for collaboration. Interactions included humanitarian assistance and disaster management-focused discussions in Bangkok with the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and Thailand’s Department of Disaster Preparation and Mitigation.

In Singapore, TAP Chief Lt. Col. Bryan Greenstein, and Pacific Disaster Center colleague, Peter Co-vin, presented an overview of current efforts to develop the Disaster Resiliency Visualization and Assessment Tool (DRVAT), a web-based application for assessing disaster resiliency in Asia-Pacific nations, to an international audience of geospatial information systems professionals during the GIS Defence Asia 2008 Conference. DRVAT will be openly available on-line to interested parties via the APCSC website. Greenstein also attended the International Risk Assessment and Horizon Scanning Symposium in Singapore which brought together international experts in the field of strategic futures and complex systems analysis to discuss the latest methodologies and concepts for the detection of faint signals which might point to impending strategic shocks.

TAP also participated in the U.S. Resilience Summit, hosted by Global Health Initiatives’ Director Michael McDonald, which focused on exploring new strategies for building society-based, bottom-up capacity for better disaster preparedness and response. During the two-day event in Washington, D.C., various agency, NGO/IO, and private sector representatives, as well as APCSS-TAP and PDC participated in a scenario-based table-top exercise driven by a DRVAT-based disaster risk assessment of Vietnam and Cambodia. Summit findings are intended for presentation to the President’s transition team.

TAP continues to network with potential collaborative partners on a wide range of initiatives associated with comprehensive security and disaster management.

Col. Bruce Sweeney was named Director of Center Staff and Lt. Col. Dave Filer was named Deputy Director of Center Staff. Finally, we welcomed back Bob Goodwin, who left the Public Affairs Office as photographer and returned 18 months later as the Public Affairs Webmaster.
Dr. Ehsan Ahra-ri visited Indonesia to meet with academicians, community leaders, religious leaders, local and national government officials, including retired flag officers, and police officials to acquire a broad understanding of the political dynamics of Indonesia. He also gave several lectures, and held three seminars on various issues of international security. His initial report entitled “Au Revoir, Indonesia” is available on APCSSLink.

Dr. Rouben Azizian participated in a panel discussion on the Georgia-Russia war, co-sponsored by Hawai’i Pacific University and the United States and Caucasus Association for Democracy and Peace. It was the first of its kind and a part of many conferences that took place across the United States during the month of October on similar issues to encourage civic participation and to bring awareness of the Caucasus region.

Dr. Taj Hashmi visited the National Defence College of Bangladesh. He was invited to lecture at an ongoing senior executive course (meant for one and two star officers and their civilian equivalents from 12 countries including Bangladesh) on “Islam, Jihad and Terrorism.” The lecture provided a broader understanding of the concepts of jihad and Islamist terrorism in the Muslim world in counter-terrorism perspective.

Navy Capt. Brad Smith participated in two outreach events in October. First, the “Securing our Homelands Through International Collaboration” symposium: he attended presentations and participated in discussions with key senior leaders and experts in the fields of infrastructure protection, disaster response, cyber security and intelligence and to network with leading vendors and government agencies dedicated to homeland defense and security. Immediately following the symposium, he actively participated in an international forum, “Homeland Defense (HLD) and Civil Support Perspectives,” hosted by General Renuart, U.S. Northern Command. The symposium was conducted to share homeland security (HLS) perspectives and best practices among senior U.S. and international security practitioners, academics and HLD/HLS experts, and better understand unique challenges among participating nations.

Dr. Virginia Watson visited Thailand and the Philippines in October. The trip to Thailand included a survey of Thailand’s “Renewable Energy Strategy” and energy security issues. In the Philippines she did a survey on institution and policy responses to the Mindanao conflict.

According to Dr. Watson, the conflict is a great case study on understanding the complexities of conflict resolution, negotiation and management.
APCSS Professor Sato Publishes Two New Books

By Tamara Patton

Two of Dr. Yoichiro Sato’s long anticipated publications were released in October. He has been working on the two books for many years, and in both efforts, he played the fundamental roles of editor and research project coordinator.

“The Rise of China and International Security,” presents a myriad of regional views on China’s rise as well as a comprehensive analysis of its implications to the East Asian region and beyond. “The book looks at other countries’ perceptions of China’s rise as well as their relations with China, with each chapter of the book being written by an expert on the foreign policy of China’s various neighbors,” Sato described. The book’s publisher explains that this compilation depicts how the growth and integration of China has exposed its closest neighbors and even more remote countries to its various (previously internal) problems, as well as how the lagging political openness of China has often negatively impacted cooperation with other countries in dealing with these problems (i.e. trans-border pollution, epidemics, illegal migration, organized crime, financial management, etc.). Sato’s publisher also added that the book goes several steps further than the dichotomous debate between the American realists and liberals, adding finesse to the often simplified discussions on how to deal with the rising China.

Sato’s second publication, “Norms, Interests, and Power in Japanese Foreign Policy,” looks beyond Japan’s bilateral relations and explores the country’s foreign policy in terms of security, economic, and environmental policy on an international scale. According to the publisher, this edited volume explains the impact of norms on Japan’s foreign policy behavior, drawing on three major paradigms of international relations scholarship—constructivism, realism, and liberalism. Through nine case studies, the book examines how norms impact Japanese foreign policy and how they interact with interests and power. “The book digs into academic and theoretical debate and tries to harness discussions of policy with academic theories and approaches in the broader study of international relations,” Sato said.

For both projects, Sato was charged with choreographing the efforts of his team of experts into seamless works that will be of great interest to students of Asian Politics, Security Studies and International Relations, as well as decision makers beyond the academic domain.

Sato dedicates his Japanese foreign policy book to the two professors he and his co-editor, Keiko Hirata, were inspired by during their graduate school years. Also, because Sato has been obligated by these intense projects for many years, he dedicates The Rise of China to his children and the children of his co-editor, Kevin Cooney, “for the time they could otherwise have been playing with their dads.”

Improvized Infectious Devices (IID): The Next Generation Terrorist Threat


Conservatives and Progressives in South Korea

Dr. Steven Kim recently co-authored an article with Dr. Haesook Chae entitled “Conservatives and Progressives in South Korea.” This article received a “Certificate of Award for Outstanding Faculty Paper” at the meeting of the International Studies Association-West, San Francisco in September 2007 and was published in The Washington Quarterly (Autumn 2008).

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Over the last few months two classes of the Advanced Security Cooperation course graduated from APCSS. The first course, ASC08-2, graduated in September 2008 with 72 senior military and civilian government leaders from 35 countries. The most recent course, ASC09-1, completed in March 2009 with 79 Fellows representing 38 countries.

The focus of the six-week course is to advance comprehensive security knowledge, leader skills and security practitioner networks related to multilateral security cooperation in the Asia-Pacific Region among mid-career security practitioners representing national government agencies and other influential regional and national entities. Additionally, the course seeks to enhance individual skills in critical thinking, communication, negotiation, collaboration and decision-making in complex multinational and culturally diverse environments.

The course is intended to contribute to the following regional outcomes:

- Expanded capacity (and self-reliance) of key influencers in nations and international organizations to contend with current and anticipated security trends and challenges
- Enhanced effectiveness of civil-military relations and security sector activities
- Strengthened mechanisms for interagency coordination and multinational cooperation on regional security issues

During the first course phase, all Fellows participate in a curriculum of foundational knowledge and skills. Upon completion, the Fellows then focus on Regional Security Trends and Opportunities (RSTO). This phase lasts for approximately 3 weeks, during which time Fellows will also participate in a variety of elective classes on a wide range of security issues. The final phase, Phase III, of the course is constructed around the national and regional capacity building theme.

Beginning with ASC09-1, a new feature called the Fellows Project was added. It assists the participants in identifying their personal...
ASC at-a-glance
Since 1996
• 35 Classes
• 2,315 Fellows from 46 Countries
Advanced Security Cooperation

ASC09-1

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professional goals and developing objectives and steps of achieving them in relation with the knowledge, skills and networks gained during the course. After graduation, the Fellows continue to work on their plans in collaboration with the other members of their small working groups and under faculty supervision. They report progress in the execution of their individual plans within 90-days after the course.

ASC09-1 included 79 Fellows representing 38 countries and territories. The course was held January 22 through March 11.
Fellows Project

ASC 09-1 had the opportunity to beta test a new feature of the course called “The Fellows Project.” The objective of these projects is to connect the course learning to fellows’ jobs, connect fellows professionally to one another during and post course, and help fellows exert influence in an area that matters to them.

The project is broken down into teams of 4-5 Fellows for discussion, mentoring and cross-accountability with faculty support/guidance.

Fellows identify a problem or issue, then develop a goal(s), supporting objectives, and an action plan for one of their short term objectives capitalizing on knowledge, skills, and network gained in course. They follow-up with peers on APCSSLink during the course and for 90 days after the course to encourage and help one another.

“I chose a project related to my professional requirements, said Sajjad Haider Khan of Pakistan. “I work at the ministry of foreign affairs coordinating career management. My project improves the career planning program to make my life easier and the others who will follow into my position.”

ASC09-1 Fellows are helping refine the projects’ time and manpower requirements. “We understand that this is the first time they are doing the Fellows project so they are still trying to adjust the right amount of time needed for it,” said Khan.

“At the end of the day – the project provides the class a way of practically applying those things we learned early on, such as causal loops, problem solving and framing solutions.”

Some examples of the Fellows Projects include:

- **Cambodia**: Expand Peacekeeping Center Operations beyond de-mining capability.
- **India**: Stop mismanagement of deforestation in Hill State—causes flooding and kills innocent people.
- **Mongolia**: Upgrade Country-wide, Emergency Management Training and Services.
- **Philippines**: Develop a written National Security Strategy
- **Pakistan**: Modernize the Career Planning Directorate of MOFA by automating management of the Careers of Foreign Service Officers i.e. Training and selection for postings to various Missions Abroad. (Model)
- **Singapore**: Streamline Army T-3 research reports process so that there is only one source, eliminating redundancy.
A total of 97 military and civilian participants from 41 countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region graduated from the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies’ Comprehensive Security Responses to Terrorism (CSRT) courses in Honolulu. Participating in the three-week CSRT course were representatives from American Samoa, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Colombia, Egypt, El Salvador, Guam, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Laos, Lebanon, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Micronesia, Mongolia, Mozambique, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Tanzania, Thailand, United States and Vietnam.

CSRT provides key states in the Asia-Pacific region and other designated countries, the operational and strategic-level skills necessary to enhance their ability to combat terrorism and to cooperate with other regional nations. The course is designed to build relationships between and among the United States and current and future counterterrorism practitioners of participating countries, develop the trust and confidence necessary for increased information sharing, and identify ways to reduce obstacles to cooperation in the international struggle against those who use terror to promote their goals.
CSRT at-a-glance
Since 2004
• 11 Classes
• 554 Fellows from 65 Countries
Senior Executive Asia-Pacific Orientation Course

SEAPOC 08-1 and SEAPOC 09-1

The Senior Executive Asia-Pacific Orientation Course 08-1 was a pilot course which provides an overview of the Asia-Pacific region to senior military officers with respect for greater demands on their time and existing basis of knowledge. As a result of positive feedback from Fellows a second SEAPOC course was offered in January 2009.

This course directly supports the U.S. Pacific Command by providing its staff and supporting components a compressed and comprehensive educational environment. It builds upon existing Asia-Pacific experiences regarding trends and current issues shaping the Asia-Pacific security environment for senior military officers and civilians. According to one Fellow, “While I have considered our relationships with individual countries, I have not previously tied these together in a regional context. I now have a much better perspective of regional and cultural issues and will consider these when determining how best to facilitate activities in each.”

The course provides participants in trends and current issues shaping the Asia-Pacific security environment, equipping course Fellows with policy perspectives and tools important for duties at interagency/inter-ministry organizations/headquarters. As one Fellow wrote, “This course went well above my expectations. It provided me with critical information such as economic, security and cultural data that makes my understanding and future involvement in this regions much easier.”

SEAPOC is a highly-intensive course with a mix of electives that focuses on specific issues as needed by participants.
APOC 08-2 and APOC 09-1

Two recent Asia-Pacific Orientation Courses proved that the course can be effective as either a small or large course.

According to APOC program manager Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis, “APOC 08-2 was an unique course, not only because of its superb Fellows but also because of its small class size. It was a fast-paced, highly-intensive course.” The course was run concurrently with another APCSS course, and due to space constraints, was limited to 30 Fellows. This meant that lectures were more tailored toward Fellows interests and their knowledge base, providing a productive experience for faculty and Fellows alike.

To quote one Fellow, APOC would ‘still be good with 104’, just with a less personalized experience.

APOC supporting faculty had a chance to live up to this quote when APOC 09-1 was held with 91 Fellows.

All (100%) of the Fellows stated they would “likely” or “highly likely” recommend the course to their colleagues. In general, the comments provided noted an increase in knowledge and networking opportunities. These opportunities will facilitate better job performance for personnel assigned to work in the Asia-Pacific region.
Forty-nine Fellows graduated December 18 from the “Comprehensive Crisis Response Management: Preventing, Preparing, and Responding Course” (CCM) in Honolulu. The Fellows represented military and civilian government leaders from 25 countries throughout the Asia-Pacific region and Africa who attended the four-week course to study regional collaborative approaches to crisis management.

“This fifth edition of the CCM course continued to build and deepen regional agreement on how nations work together to prevent and respond to both natural and man made crises,” said Associate Professor Alfred Oehlers, CCM course manager.

The CCM course curriculum is generally divided into three major blocks: framing the problem, elements of response, and making collaborative response work. In addition to this conceptual framework, the course also addresses CCM coalition building and operations, inter-agency coordination, preventive activities, international responses, post-crisis reconstruction, transition shaping, and strategic communications.

Throughout the course, Fellows made extensive use of the APCSC web-based portal for seminar discussions, as well as collaborative work on various regional problems of crisis management. Combined with the new technology installed in seminar rooms (smart boards, etc.), Fellows enjoyed an Information Technology/Education Technology (IT/ET) enriched environment to support their learning efforts. Availing themselves of this opportunity, each seminar group conducted a research project focusing on a key challenge affecting the stability of the region and potential steps forward to address these. Excellent work was done highlighting issues such as corruption, energy security, food security, water security, and global warming, including highly innovative strategic communications packages to support key findings. Fellows participated fully in the two panels organized for them, with highly insightful and valuable presentations by presenters sharing their experience in past CCM situations. Capping off the course, Fellows spent two and a half days in a final exercise focused on the complexities of negotiating an international collaborative response effort.

Countries represented at the course were: American Samoa, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, India, Indonesia, Laos, Madagascar, Malaysia, Micronesia, Mongolia, Mozambique, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Thailand, Tonga, the United States, and Vietnam.
Getting beyond response and recovery

More than 60 participants attended the ‘Information-Sharing for Crisis Resilience – Beyond Response and Recovery’ workshop held July 8-11. The workshop was co-hosted by APCSS, the Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance, and the Pacific Disaster Center. The workshop brought together national crisis managers from 25 Asia-Pacific nations, along with representatives from U.S. inter-agency crisis management centers and various Non-Governmental Organizations.

This event was held based on feedback from nations in the region desiring an opportunity to explore how nations share information for the purpose of preventing or preparing for disasters and ways to improve that process. This workshop provided a forum to improve regional understanding and cooperation on this vital area of disaster management.
Nobel Peace Prize winner, Dr. Nguyen Huu Ninh, was a keynote speaker during the ‘Information Sharing for Crisis Resiliency’ workshop on July 10th in Honolulu.

As a keynote speaker of the workshop, Dr. Ninh discussed how Vietnam and many other countries of the region face a multitude of obstacles created by the rapid transformation of their economic, social, and environmental systems and resources. Taking a multidisciplinary approach, Dr. Ninh identified factors influencing social vulnerability and resilience to environmental change, specifically how Vietnam and other coastal nations can respond to effects of global warming such as typhoons, floods, and sea level rise. He highlighted various organizational principles that can be implemented in political, legal, scientific and financial frameworks in order to mitigate and manage disaster risks such as multi-level networks and adaptive governance. His book, “Living with Environmental Change: Social Vulnerability, Adaptation and Resilience in Vietnam,” expands on these issues.

Dr. Ninh is the Director of the Centre for Environment Research Education and Development in Vietnam, an organization that carries out strategies for environmental conservation and sustainable socio-economic development. He was part of the group whose contribution to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change earned the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007.
The Pacific-Island Nation Security Collaboration Workshop concluded a three-day agenda in Nuku’alofa, the capital city of Tonga, September 17-19, 2008. The workshop was jointly hosted by Tonga Defence Services and the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies located in Honolulu, with cooperating partners the Pacific Islands Forum and United States Pacific Command. The workshop was opened Wednesday by Tonga Prime Minister, Dr. Feleti Sevele. United States Charge d’Affairs in Suva, Fiji, Mr. Richard Pruett also participated.

TDS Commander, Brig. Gen. Tau’aika ‘Uta’atu and APCSS foreign policy advisor, retired Ambassador Charles Salmon also welcomed the 39 workshop participants representing Pacific island military, civil and police agencies, as well as various non-government organizations and United Nations offices.

Noting that small island states must maintain their comprehensive, integrated and collaborative approach to each of the security issues in effective and appropriate ways, Prime Minister Sevele also expressed the hope that through the workshop, security concerns would be better understood and regional preparedness and abilities to deal with security challenges enhanced.

During his address to participants, Brig. Gen. ‘Uta’atu discussed security issues that threatened the stability of the Pacific region, from a Tongan perspective. Those issues included climate change, natural disasters, ethnic problems, environmental degradation, transnational crime, resources protection, good governance, and corruption. While acknowledging the efforts being made by Pacific Island Forum members to prepare for non-traditional security threats, these threats were often outside of their control. PIF members, however, could prepare for the effects. He concluded there are no easy solutions to these security challenges, which can cause social, economic and political instability in the region.

Ambassador Salmon noted that although APCSS has organized several regional Pacific Island security conferences in Honolulu since 1995, this forum was the first such event in the region. It was also one of the most complex and ambitious APCSS outreaches in terms of resources and logistics, but it was clearly worth the effort. “The participant-centered and results-oriented workshop would draw on individual and national perspectives, as well as the participants’ own rich personal and professional experience,” he said. The workshop would look ahead and be of genuine value to governments and organizations in the region.”

During the workshop, participants reviewed regional security and its many challenges, the existing political and socio-economic architecture to deal with those challenges and how it might be improved, as well as the specific capacity building required for more effective responses.

Workshop participants heard presentations from the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, the Foundation of the Peoples of the South Pacific International, the University of the South Pacific, the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, the UN Development Program, and the UN Pacific Center. Working
luncheon addresses covered health security and fisheries and security.

The workshop provided for three days of breakout discussions on the plenary presentations aimed at formulating concrete recommendations which could be made to regional organizations and PIF member states. The breakout groups’ recommendations were reconciled and synthesized and then presented for approval by a final plenary session. Highlights of the synthesis were then briefed to the Minister of Education in Tonga, Dr. Tevita Palefou.

Pacific Island nations represented at the workshop included Tonga, Papua New Guinea, Australia, Niue, the Solomon Islands, Cook Islands, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Vanuatu, Tuvalu, Kiribati, Samoa, Palau, and New Zealand.
“During these times every nation has a responsibility toward the world and the countries of the world. National security is no longer a private issue of a specific country but a global issue,” said Timor-Leste’s Deputy Prime Minister Jose-Luis Guterres during a workshop held on national security policy development at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies.

The “Timor-Leste National Security Policy Development Workshop,” held September 9-12 was hosted by the U.S. Pacific Command and brought more than 30 participants from Timor-Leste and around the world to APCSS.

Leading the workshop were Timor-Leste Deputy Prime Minister Guterres, U.S. Ambassador to Timor-Leste Hans Klemm and APCSS Director retired Army Lt. Gen. Ed Smith. Attendees included senior representatives of the Timor-Leste Government, defense and interior agencies and forces, parliamentarians, members of the civil society involved and interested in Timor-Leste security matters, and a number of international representatives.

According to Klemm, “The workshop was in response to a request made by the Foreign Minister of Timor-Leste for United States assistance in developing the country’s first-ever national security policy. The Center, by bringing together leaders from the Government, Parliament, civil society, security sector, as well as key bilateral and multilateral partners, facilitated a thorough discussion of the country’s national interests through analysis of internal and external threats. By providing a forum for thoughtful discussion, the Center has granted the leadership of Timor-Leste with an incomparable opportunity to make very important progress towards identifying a successful and coherent policy.”

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tion of the people in defining the defense and security polities of Timor-Leste,” said Guterres of the seven parliamentarians who attended.

A number of ambassadors participated in a panel presentation on international experience in developing security policies. Ambassadors attending included: Australian Ambassador to Timor-Leste Peter Heyward, New Zealand Ambassador to Timor-Leste Ruth Nuttall, Portuguese Ambassador to Timor-Leste Joao Ramos-Pinto, Indonesia’s Charge d’Affairs Kiki Kusprabowo, and Mr. Colin Stewart representing the United Nations Integrated Mission to Timor-Leste.

Participants reflected on a number of key areas including key current and anticipated security concerns confronting Timor-Leste, evolving and expected roles and responsibilities of Timor-Leste security forces, national security policy that effectively addresses security concerns, next steps required towards the development and implementation of national security policy, and further enhancement of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Timor-Leste security sector.

According to Smith, the workshop “really did succeed, by participant and APCSS measures. One of the reasons was our small group analysis and action-plan orientation, vice the ‘anticipated’ format of outsiders ‘grading’ their current national security strategy.”

“The conference was excellent,” said Guterres. “The fact that we came here [APCSS] shows the friendship and respect we have for the United States and the Center.

“We are happy with the facilitation and great help from the faculty – Professor Azizian and his colleagues – gave greatly… to the success of the conference. The recommendations that were documented will now be analyzed by concerned institutions in Timor-Leste so that we can determine what types of actions we will take.”

Finally according to Dr. Rouben Azizian, “The workshop was a team effort and a combination of innovative methodological and administrative approaches. The insights of Timorese participants, the experience of international attendees, facilitation skills of the APCSS team and the dedication of the conferencing, audio-visual and other APCSS departments all came together in a constructive and integrated manner.”
“Pacific Rim Security – Managing the Global Commons” was the focus of a conference hosted by APCSS, the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies Stanford University, and Pacific Council on International Policy Jan. 12-14, 2009 at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif. Dr. William Perry, former U.S. Secretary of Defense actively participated as keynote speaker, synthesizing events and delivering final remarks.

The conference provided a focused dialogue to gain insights and mutual understanding of Pacific-Rim regional policies, initiate linkages, and explore potential collaborative security strategies for managing the global commons. Moderated panel discussions and guest speakers focused on China and Maritime Challenges, U.S. Pacific Maritime Perspectives, Expansion of the Panama Canal, Opening of the Northern Passage, Challenges and Impacts on Pac-Rim Security, Energy and Resources Across the Pacific, and Coordinating for security – Port Security/Maritime Info-sharing. Robust interactive question/answer periods and lunch/dinner guest speaker series enabled participants to share unique insights and perspectives and sustain dialogue throughout the Conference about the key issues addressed.

Attending were 45 delegates from 17 nations including: Australia, Canada, Chile, China (Hong Kong), Colombia, Ecuador, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, United States, and Vietnam. Delegates were senior government and non-governmental civilian and military leaders, security practitioners, and security studies experts.

CHDS Director Dr. Richard Downie remarked “the conference enabled the establishment of enduring linkages and high-level dialogue among senior Pacific Rim leaders.” Dr. Lee Endress, Academic Dean at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies said that “collectively, the panels demonstrated the profound confluence of economic interests, energy security, environmental impacts (especially climate change), and maritime domain awareness in both Asia and the Americas.”

Key things learned during the course of the proceedings:
(1) The rise of China is viewed differently by Asia-Pacific, the U.S.A. and Latin American countries.
(2) The expansion of the Panama Canal and the opening of the northern passages has possible impact on ports and major trade routes.
(3) The climate change, especially the dramatic melting of the ice cap at the North Pole offers the availability of transpolar sea routes and enormous energy resources.

(4) The centrality of poverty as a fundamental security issue in South America, presented by Admiral Stavridis, Commander, U.S. Southern Command.

(5) The troubling lack of PACRIM and, in fact, global cooperation on energy. The zero-sum nature of many national energy strategies makes global energy a big negative security issue with potential for conflict.

Building on these insights, APCSS and CHDS are placing special emphasis in their executive education on the themes and topics addressed and aim to work with regional organizations with the most potential to effect cooperation among PACRIM nations.

Dr. Perry concluded the event with a concise summary of the entire conference, acknowledging presenters in turn and praising the sophisticated and productive level of panel discussions.

In closing, he noted that the event included “the right people, with the right speakers, examining the right topics.” He thanked both Regional Centers and all three teams (APCSS/CHDS/FSI) for a program “very well conceived, laid out, and executed”...with a final remark for future collaboration ... “Let’s do it again!”
Building cross-regional cooperation

APCSS welcomed 27 senior alumni from APCSS and the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies for a 5-day seminar on “Transnational Security Challenges and Cross-Regional Cooperation.”

The overall objective and theme of the seminar was enhanced inter-regional understanding of security issues and concerns in regions supported by both Centers, as well as logical security-cooperation interfaces requiring cross-regional collaboration. This inaugural seminar identified proven practices in responding to security trends and shocks and expanded potential areas of inter-regional cooperation.

Key Cross-Regional Strategic Security Trends identified included the changing strategic landscape and socio-economic issues. These issues included: the growing significance of energy security, a concern for economic stability, and the need for increased attention to environmental issues with transnational effects especially climate change. Security issues discussed included: the growing recognition of the importance of and increasing sophistication of terrorism, the proliferation of human and drug trafficking, and the spread of WMD and uranium enrichment technology.

Dr. William J. Perry, former Secretary of Defense, attended the last day of the workshop to receive an outbrief from the participants.

A follow-up workshop is tentatively scheduled for Fall 2009 at the Marshall Center in Germany.

Presentations from the workshop are posted on APCSSLink.

TSC-CRC Fellows review a presentation in the Center Conference Room.

Above: Brig. Gen. Zdravko Popovski of Macedonia discusses an item presented on display.

Left: Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Dadi Susanto (Indonesia, SEC07-2)

(l-r) Dr. Rouben Azizian, Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ed Smith, Dr. John Rose, and Mr. Jahangler Arasli (Azerbaijan)
APCSS alumni Maj. Gen. Koichiro Bansho (Japan, EC00-2) and Agha Jan Akhtar (Pakistan, EC07-1) both participated in the workshop.

Senior alumni from both APCSS and the Marshall Center attended the workshop which was held October 26-31, 2008 in Honolulu.

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Maj. Gen. Atifete Jahjaga (Kosovo) participating in a group discussion.

Professor Sridhar Khatri (Nepal, SEC07-1) and Mr. Nikolay Sofinskiy (Russia).

Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis and Mr. Mirko Cigler (Slovenia).
New Alumni Initiative

APCSS has embarked on a new outreach initiative to help alumni stay connected with each other and APCSS by offering a system of “Enduring Links.” Enduring Links is comprised of four web-based systems: the public APCSS website, Library databases and research engines of the National Defense University, APCSS Link, and the Asia Pacific Collaborative Security Consortium (APCSC)-- a portal that captures security trends and discussions throughout the region. Fellows who participate in current in-residence courses are automatically provided access to these latest web-based portals.

The team conducting this initiative provides personal one-on-one, hands-on training of these systems. U.S. Army Maj. Stewart Taylor and U.S. Air Force Maj. Roderick Santulan, aka “The Two Majors,” form the nucleus of this team.

In October 2008, APCSS conducted its first Enduring Links alumni outreach in Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and the Philippines. One of the primary objectives of the alumni outreach was to help alumni connect with each other through APCSS Link. APCSS Link is a valuable tool that not only keeps alumni updated with news from other alumni and the Center, but allows members to collaborate on a range of security-related topics.

Maximizing the benefit of faculty visiting the region, the outreach team linked with two APCSS professors, (Dr. Ehsan Ahrari and Dr. Virginia Watson) who were conducting security-related research projects. With the help of alumni, the team organized security lectures and roundtable discussions for the alumni associations and other interested host-nation officials.

In February, a the second alumni outreach trip was made to the Philippines, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam. Again, the focus was on providing portal access to our alumni; however, this time, in response to the host-nations’ and U.S. embassies’ requests, the team expanded portal demonstrations to non-alumni government officials. Opening these information sessions to non-alumni furthered APCSS efforts towards transparency and helped expand the APCSS message to other key government officials.

The team also conducted a site visit to the Philippine Alumni Association. The focus of the PAA visit was to establish direct communications for the upcoming July Alumni Association Leadership Workshop which will be co-hosted by the PAA. The July workshop is intended to include alumni association representatives from 15 countries in the region. The workshop is aimed at enhancing cooperation among alumni associations and aid in developing and building alumni capacity.

On the alumni outreach horizon, we are planning a visit to South Asia and other parts of Southeast Asia. We look forward to working with the APCSS Alumni, host-nation officials and U.S. Embassy representatives to promote cooperation among APCSS friends.
Alumni Promotions

**Bangladesh**

Benazir Ahmed, CSRT07-1, transferred to United Nation’s Headquarters in New York as the “Chief of Mission Management and Support Services” in the Police Division under UN’s Department of Peace Keeping Operations (UNPKO).

Lt. Gen. Masud Uddin Chowdhury, EC02-2, was appointed the High Commissioner of Bangladesh to Australia.

**Brunei**

Joha Syafiqah Abdul Razzaq, EC07-2, is the Assistant Defense Adviser at the High Commission of Brunei Darussalam in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

**Comoros**

Salim Ibrahim, EC05-3, was promoted to major and remains the Chief of Finance and Financial Adviser to the General Chief of Staff.

**Fiji**

Jackson Evans, EC02-1, handed over command of the Fijian Forces in Iraq to newly promoted Col. Jonisio Mara, EC04-3.

**France**

Frank Crispino, CSRT04-2, was promoted to colonel. He is still in charge of the Section de Recherches (Criminal Investigation Department) in Bordeaux.

**India**

S. R. Sharma, CSRT06-2, is the Under Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Government of India.

Mandeep Singh, EC07-2, has been promoted to major general. He is serving as Additional DGAFMS in Delhi.

**Indonesia**

Fadjar Prasetyo, EC07-1, has been promoted to colonel.

**Malaysia**

Col. Md Tajri Alwi, EC01-2, was appointed Defence Advisor to Malaysia High Commission in London.

Dato Shariuddin bin Abd Ghani, EC06-3, has been posted to the state of Pahang on the east coast of Peninsular of Malaysia as the Deputy Chief Police Officer; he was promoted to Senior Assistant Commissioner.

**Maldives**

Moosa Ali Jaleel, EC00-3, has been promoted to major general and appointed as the Chief of Defence Staff.

**Mongolia**

Mr. Enkhbold Nyamaa, SEC01-1, has been promoted to lieutenant general.

**Nepal**

Anuj Basnyat, EC06-1, was promoted to brigadier general and posted to Jumla (western Nepal) as the Brigade Commander of no. 24 Brigade.

Keshav Nepal, CCM08-1, has been selected as Chairman of Peace Committee in Lalitpur, Nepal.

Ramesh Chand Thakuri, EC05-2, has been promoted to Additional Inspector General of Police and designated as the Executive Director of the National Police Academy.

**Pakistan**

Ambassador Syed Hasan Javed, EC99-3, has been promoted to Additional Foreign Secretary and posted as Additional Secretary Policy Planning.

Mohammad Mustafa Khan, SEC01-1, has been promoted to Vice Parliamentary Speaker of Mongolia.

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Muhammad Rafiq Sabir, EC00-1, has been promoted to major general.

Tanvir Tahir, EC98-3, has been promoted to lieutenant general.

Air Vice Marshal Muham- mad Yousaf, SEC06-3, was promoted to air marshal. He is performing duties as Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (Support) at Air Headquarters, Islamabad.

Philippines
Carlos Holganza, SEC08-2, was promoted to major general. He is the Commander of the Philippine Army’s Training and Doctrine Command (TRA- DOC).

Gilbert Rueras, EC08-2 and Eduardo Gongona (Philippines), EC05-1, were promoted to commodore in the Philippines Coast Guard. Commodore Gongona’s current post is District Commander Coast Guard District Northern Mindanao based in the beautiful city of golden friendship, Cagayan de Oro.

Poland
Dariusz Karwinski, CSRT08-1, was promoted to colonel and appointed Chief of J-2 Department of POL SO-COM.

Saipan
Santiago Tudela, EC04-1, has been promoted to Commissioner of Police for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Police Department.

Sri Lanka
Air Vice Marshal R Arun-thavanathan, EC01-2, has been promoted as Additional Secretary, Ministry of Defence (D1).

Vijayasiri Padukkage, EC03-1 has been promoted to ambassador and posted to Qatar.

Thailand
Chatree Chanpitak, EC06-3 was promoted to colonel.

Tonga
Siamelie Latu, EC01-1 and CSRT08-1, was promoted to colonel.

United States
Maj. Gen. John Allen, SE05-1, was promoted to lieutenant general and assigned to the U.S. Central Command as Deputy Commander.

Capt. (Ret) Tom Bayley, EC99-1, is working at the U.S. Naval War College as Co-Director for Operational Level Programs. He was recently promoted to Dean for the College of Operational & Strategic Leadership (Acting) at NWC.

Chris England, JEC07-1, was promoted to lieutenant commander and has been selected to attend the Naval War College in Newport, RI.

Jarod Hughes, JEC05-2, was promoted to major.

Rodney Mason, EC07-1, was selected for promotion to colonel.

James Westgate, CCM08-1, was selected for promotion to major and has been appointed Chief Engineer Planner for Eighth U.S. Army in the Republic of Korea.

Vietnam
Ms. Ngo Thi Hoa, EC06-2 was promoted as Minister and Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Vietnam to Cambodia.

Alumni Working Together at the United Nations

Lt. Col. Shirjeel Agha (Pakistan/ SSTR 07-1) and Eugenio Jr Gepte (Philippines/EC06-1) are both working in the same office at Current Military Operations Service, Office of Military Affairs, Department of Peacekeeping Operations, United Nations Headquarters, New York.
Alumni Retirements

Bangladesh
Lutfar R. Talukder, EC03-2, retired from government service. His last position and rank was Permanent Secretary to the Government of Bangladesh.

India
Group Capt Mugi Dhanraj, EC04-3, retired from Indian Air Force and is now instructing civil general flying, and he has joined the government of Maharashtra, India as the Chief Flight Instructor, Nagpur Flying Club.

TSR Swamy, EC05-2, retired from Government of India, Ministry of Defence.

He has joined a private company as Deputy General Manager (Admin) at Hyderabad.

Indonesia
Major General Heryadi, EC04-1, retired from the Army. His last position was Assistant for Intelligence to TNI’s Commander in Chief in the Indonesian National Defense Forces Headquarters, Jakarta.

Pakistan
Group Captain Nadeem Ahmed Khan, EC00-3, retired from the Air Force. He is presently flying with a Pakistan-based airline Shaheen Air International as a First Officer.

Maldives
Ibrahim Latheef, EC01-1, is working at Western Australia Police as the Manager Community Engagement and Policy. He retired from Maldives Police Service as the Senior Deputy Commissioner and moved to Australia to pursue a Doctorate Degree in Security Science and is working full time with WA Police as well.

Taiwan
Commander Yen-Ping Ho, EC03-3, has retired and is working on a Ph.D in marketing.

United States
Captain Curtis Chesnutt, EC07-1, is retired from the Navy and living in San Diego California.

Terry Daru, EC01-1, retired from the U.S. Department of State.

Major Richard Hill, JEC06-1, retired from the U.S. Marine Corps, and now serves in a government position as Southeast Asia Desk Officer/Theater Security Cooperation Plans Specialist for U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii.

Chataut receives Award

Congratulations to Aarti Chataut (CCM08-2) who recently received an award with honor from Nepal’s president Dr. Ram Baran Yadav for “for raising the voice of voiceless and vulnerable people” through her weekly TV show “SANGHRSHA.”

She is the first journalist to get any award from His Excellency.

According to Chataut, her show “is dedicated to women and children’s rights. It is raising voice for the voiceless and vulnerable people such as conflict victims, street kids, orphans and victims of violence, problems of single women, HIV/Aids affected people, trauma victim of civil war and other violence. The show also deals with the issue of conflict management the environmental issues such as...Natural disaster, water, gender, climate change, natural resources management etc.”

Nepal’s President Dr. Ram Baran Yadav presents an award to Aarti Chataut (CCM08-2).
News and Position Updates

Australia
Captain Richard McMillan, EC06-2, is now the Director of Studies for Navy Australian Command and Staff College.

Afghanistan
Ajmal Shirzai, CCM08-1, in support of Ministry of Rural Development, is working with the Africa Center and their alumni to learn about road construction and maintenance in South Africa/Lesotho.

Bangladesh
Lt. Cdr. A.T.M. Rezaul Hasan, CSRT06-3, returned from Sudan and is working with the Special Security Force at the Chief Advisors Office.

Monirul Islam, EC05-1, transferred from Beijing, China to Ottawa, Canada as the Bangladesh Deputy High Commissioner.

Wing Commander Reada, CSRT07-1, works in the Directorate General of Forces of Intelligence as Grade-I Staff officer.

Col. ZRM Ashraf Uddin, EC04-2, assisted Ms. Halmova, alumnus of the Marshall Center, during her visit to Bangladesh as a member of the international team monitoring the upcoming elections in Bangladesh. This is a great example of security cooperation between alumni from different regions.

Bodiruzzaman Zaman, CCM08-1, has been posted to Bangladesh Embassy in Riyadh as Counselor.

Canada
Cmdr. Kelly Larkin, EC04-1, completed his tour on the HMCS CALGARY and is heading home to Canada.

Cambodia
Major Bunthorng Nop, CCM08-1, is Operations Officer for United Nations Mission in Sudan (UNMIS).

Indonesia

Lt. Col. Dwi Purwiyanto, CSRT06-1, completed a three-month course on Management and Budgeting in Indonesian Department of Defence.

Japan
Dr. Reiji Takeishi, OR07-2 has transferred from Fujitsu Research Institute to the School of International Relations, Tokyo International University.

Kyrgyzstan
Lt. Col. Mrat Abytov, CCM08-1 is the senior officer of Combat Training

Mali

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Shaheed Zaki, EC02-3, was elected as one of the Deputy Leaders of the Republican Party in Maldives. He also continues his duties as a Member of Parliament.

Mongolia

Col. Jargalsaikhan Mendee, EC01-2, has been posted to Permanent Mission of Nepal to the United Nations in New York as Military Advisor. Nepal is the world’s fourth largest troop contributor to United Nations Peacekeeping Missions.

Nepal

Deepak Dhital, EC00-3, has been appointed DCM, Nepal Embassy in Brussels.

Col. Purna B. Silwal, EC07-1, has been posted to Pakistan Senior Superintendent Shoaib M. Kahoot, CSRT06-3, is the Deputy Chief of Security, United Nations Special Court for Sierra Leone, Freetown.

Professor Ghani Jafar Malik, EC03-3, joined the Institute of Strategic Studies, Islamabad, as “Project Consultant/Editor.”

Commodore Ayaz Ahmed Nasir, EC00-3 was appointed as the Defence Adviser in Malaysia

Brigadier Raza Nawab, EC07-1, is studying at Beijing NDU for a year.

Brigadier Bader uz Zaman, EC05-3, is now commanding an armored brigade.
Papua New Guinea
James Lak, EC01-2, is the Executive Director, Peace Foundation Melanesia, Inc. “Understanding high security issues at the Executive Course has been the key towards conflict resolution and mediation for community and individual security.”

New Zealand
Col. Rob Hitchings, SSTR07-1 has been posted as J3 in HQ Joint Forces New Zealand

Philippines
Robert Borje, ASC08-1, is working in the embassy in Washington D.C. as Third Secretary and Vice Consul.

Eric Guevarra, CSRT08-1, is in a Technology Management Masters Studies program at the University of the Philippines Technology Management Center. He is also the assistant commandant of the AFP Peacekeeping Operations School.

Lt. Col. Salih Indanan, SSTR06-2, completed his Masters in National Security Administration at the National Defense College of the Philippines. His new posting is Commandant of the Non-commissioned Officer’s Academy of the Philippine Army.

Major Moises Nayve Jr., CSRT04-1, graduated from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School with a Masters of Science degree in Defense Analysis (Special Operations/Low Intensity Conflict). He’s back at the AFP Joint Special Operations Group.

Col. Nicolas D. Ojeda, Jr., EC06-2 was designated as Chief, AFP Modernization Program Management Office effective June 9, 2008.

Sri Lanka
Maj. Gen. Lalith Daulagala, CSRT04-1 and EC06-3 is attending the Defence and Strategic Studies course, at the College of Defence Studies, National Defence University, Beijing, China.

Dayani Panagoda, EC04-1 and Sri Mudannayake, EC04-2, helped establish the Sri Lanka APCSS Alumni Association and arranged the inauguration ceremony to coincide with the Director Smith’s visit.

Brig. Gen. Udayanta Wijeratne, CSRT07-1 has been appointed as the Commander for Central Province in Sri Lanka

Switzerland
Fabio Rossi, CSRT08-2 is a Special officer in Information Operations of the Swiss Armed forces. He’ll also continue duties as judge in the Appeals Court, as well as in the office of the Federal Chancellor”

Thailand
Group Captain Kongsak Chantarasopa, EC02-2, transferred from Singapore to duties as Staff Officer to Commander-in-Chief, Royal Thai Air Force.

Col. Pisak Sungkobol, EC05-2, is now pursuing a Masters Degree in International Relations, at University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

APCSS Alumni in action
Lt. Col. Mark Hubner (EC02-2) and Navy Capt. Charles F. Craft (EC05-1, APOC08-1) arrive by military convoy to conduct a humanitarian dental mission in a village near Qulat, Afghanistan. Until recently, Hubner was the chief medical officer for the Zabul Provincial Reconstruction Team and Craft was on temporary assignment with the U.S. Army. They served in Operation Enduring Freedom, Combined Joint Task Force-101, NATO/ISAF, Region Command South, Zabul PRT, Forward Operating Base Lagman, Qulat, Afghanistan.

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Tonga
Leonaitasi Kuluni, EC04-3, was accepted to Oxford University for postgraduate studies

U.S.
Major William Boswell, CSRT07-1, JEC07-2 and CCM08-1, recently married Christine (Tin Tin). They are living in Fiji where he is the new Security Assistance Officer.

Mr. Scott Bush, CSRT05-2, SSTR06-2, and ASC08-1, is currently posted as an Embedded Training Team Advisor with 3rd Kandak (armored), 3rd Brigade, 201st Corps for the Afghan National Army.

Lt. Col. John Casey, JEC07-1 is currently serving as a team leader for a Military Transition Team. His responsibility is to coach, mentor, and train the Iraqi Army.

Col. John Cinco, EC05-2, has taken a new assignment as Medical Director of the Defense Institute for Medical Operations (DIMO). He trains international armed forces on various medical skills and conducts subject matter exchanges.

Col. John Comparetto, APOC07-3, deployed to Iraq and is working in the U.S. Embassy. He is a senior military advisor to the Director of the Office of Provincial Affairs.

U.S. Coast Guard Capt. T. F. Sutter Fox (ret.), EC99-2, graduated from the University of Southern California as a Doctor of Education.

Major Jamielyn Green, APOC08-2, has separated from active duty and will be in charge of Airlift Operations with the 202 AMOS of the HQ Hawaii Air National Guard. Recently married she now goes by Jamielyn G. Thompson.

Lt. Col. Jonathan Graff, SSTR06-1, commands a Training Support BN at Fort Bragg. He trains the U.S. provincial reconstruction teams that deploy to Afghanistan. “For that mission SSTR has really given me some excellent preparation that I can pass on to those PRT commanders that I help train.”

Paul Kreutzer, JEC05-3, returned to the State Department Stabilization and Civilian Response office after serving in Afghanistan as a political officer at U.S. brigades in RC East.

Lt. Cmdr. Edward Kruk, APOC08-1, has been re-assigned to Commander, Carrier Strike Group Nine. They are home ported in Everett, Washington.

James Myers, CSRT05-2, is now Passenger Service Manager (PSM) and the Honolulu Port alternate Public Affairs Liaison (PAL) uniformed officer at the Honolulu International Airport. Jim has helped ensure smooth processing of all Fellows through Customs.

Craig Reistad, JEC05-3, graduated from the National Defense Intelligence College with a Master of Science in Strategic Intelligence. He is assigned to MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida, as the Diplomatic Security Service’s LNO to United States Central Command.

Lt. Col. Jim Rickard (ret.), EC00-1, transferred from U.S. Pacific Command and is now working as the Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Marine Forces Europe in Stuttgart, Germany.

Victor Salazar, EC02-3, visited APCSS on his way to Mongolia to conduct Post Deployment Active Forces Counseling Training to selected leaders within Mongolia’s armed forces. This is a train the trainer concept, so the Mongolians can counsel their own troops returning from a combat environment.

Rear Adm. Steven G. Smith USN (Ret), SEC01-1 has returned to service with the federal government in the Senior Executive Service (SES) and is the Chief of the Executive Office of Disaster Strategic Planning and Operations for the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

Lillian Teng, EC08-2, transferred to the NCIS Field Office, Yokosuka, Japan.

Vanuatu
Lt. Col. Aru Malalau, EC98-3, is now Head of Special Branch in Intelligence.
Alumni Association
Events...

Additional APCSS Alumni Associations are sprouting throughout the region and these groups of alumni are becoming more active in terms of their collaboration on security-related issues.

Canada

Dr. James Boutilier, SEC99-1, indicated that Canadian APCSS alumni concluded a highly successful Maritime Security Challenges conference in Victoria. The keynote speaker for the conference was Rear Adm. Tyrone Pile, TSC08-2, Commander of Maritime Forces Pacific.

Mongolia

The Mongolia alumni through the Mongolian Institute for Strategic Studies and the George Marshall Center for European and International Security Studies have developed a workshop entitled “Present and Future Security Environment in Northeast and Central Asia: Mongolia as a New Helsinki?” Representatives from Central and Northeast Asia nations and APCSS will discuss issues related to promoting regional security and the possible role that Mongolia could play in the joint quest for stable security and developing future security arrangements.

Papua New Guinea

The Papua New Guinea APCSS Alumni Association hosted its inaugural conference on “Building a Reserve Force Capacity.” PNG invited various representatives from across the region to discuss perspectives about Reserve Forces and their potential influence on national and regional security.

Philippines

The APCSS Philippines Alumni Association (APA) conducted a roundtable discussion on the GRP-MILF peace process. The guest speaker was APCSS alumnus, Secretary Rodolfo C. Garcia, SEC01-1, chair of the GRP panel that negotiated with the MILF. In addition, alumni also joined together for dialogue on Philippines and China relations.

Bangladesh

Col (Ret.) ZRM Ashraf Uddin, EC04-2, organized an ‘Eid Reunion’ of Bangladesh Alumni Association of APCSS. APCSS Professor Taj Hasmi joined the alumni association in their celebration.

Tonga

Tonga established its APCSS Alumni Association during the South Pacific Security Collaboration Workshop cosponsored by APCSS and the government of Tonga. Brigadier General ‘Uta’atu, the CHOD is the president of the association. Mr. Feletau, EC03-2, Ms. Tupouniua, EC04-2 and Mr. Ngungutau, EC07-1 are the vice president, secretary and treasurer respectively.

Taiwan

Colonels Huang and Liao, EC08-2 established the Taiwan APCSS Alumni Association, marking the 39th alumni association.
Alumni Association Events

Peru

Rear Adm. (ret.) Juan Rodriguez Kelley, SEC07-1, and other members of the Peru APCSS Alumni Association including Rear Adm. (ret.) Ernesto Schroth SEC07-2 and EC07-2, conducted their first course “Security in Asia Pacific Region.” Using some of APCSS academic material and with a video teleconference assist from APCSS professors Dr. Rouben Azizian and Ms. Miemie Byrd, Peru launched a successful course. The first month-long course had 42 graduates from various professions. The success of this effort demonstrates the great things that can be achieved through collaboration.

Thailand

Rudi Kateluxaba also shared some photos of a EC03-2 gathering at the home of Mahadi Maidin (Brunei). According to Rudi, “Mahadi is very hospitable. Whenever he holds a party he always invites Japanese alumni of our class to join. This time came Takeomi (Yamamoto) and his wife; Naoki (Sonoda) and his wife. The event was in conjunction with Idul-Fitri open house in October 2008. Also attending were new Indonesian DCMs, Pak Ronny Yuliantoro and Ibu Vivien who enjoyed the company of others that included the DCMs of Cambodia, Malaysia, Singapore, the Philippines and Japan.
Maldives

Maldives established its APCSS Alumni Association and heading the list of key alumni at the inauguration ceremony was the newly appointed Chief of Defence, Maj. Gen. Moosa Ali Jaleel, EC00-3, Police Superintendent Mohamed Fayaz, EC05-3, Political leader Ahmed Rasheed, EC01-2 and the first APCSS Alumni from Maldives, EC97-2 Brig. Gen. Ahmed Naeem Mohamed. Rishyf Thoha, ASC08-2 performed superbly in arranging the event.

Sri Lanka

Ms. Dayani Panagoda, EC04-1 and Brigadier Sri Mudannayake, EC04-2, helped establish the Sri Lanka APCSS Alumni Association and arranged the inauguration ceremony in which over 70 people attended, including many members of the Sri Lankan Defence force. As one of its first orders of business, the alumni association conducted its first security-issues roundtable discussion with Director Smith and U.S. Embassy representatives.

Alumni Associations

Afghanistan
American Samoa
Australia
Bangladesh
Bhutan
Cambodia *
Canada
Chile
Comoros
Cook Islands
Fiji
Guam
Hong Kong
India
Indonesia
Japan
Madagascar **
Malaysia
Maldives
Marshall Islands
Micronesia
Mongolia
Nepal
Pakistan
Palau
Papua New Guinea
Peru
Philippines
Rep. of Korea
Russia
Solomon Islands
Sri Lanka
Taiwan
Thailand
Tonga
Vanuatu
Vietnam
United States
(Hawaii & DC)

Pending Associations
Brunei, Kenya, Tuvalu

* informal group
** Joint alumni association with the Africa Center

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Into the Region...

Giving APCSS program updates and getting feedback from regional leaders, alumni, U.S. Embassy officials and non-government and international organizations on how we can better meet the needs of the region is an important part of the APCSS outreach program.

Director Ed Smith frequently travels throughout the region to glean and provide this information. During the last half of 2008, Smith traveled to Bangladesh, Indonesia, Maldives, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.

Looking for ways to work better with ASEAN was one of the objectives of a recent trip to Indonesia. While in Indonesia, Smith visited ASEAN headquarters to discuss future partnering opportunities.

On occasion the director has an opportunity to speak before groups of regional leaders. Civil-Military relations was the topic of a lecture Smith presented at the Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies.

Events in Sri Lanka have been the topic of presentations and exercises in APCSS courses. To get an update on the situation and to learn how APCSS can help build further leader and institutional capacity, Smith travelled to Sri Lanka in December where he met with the Sri Lankan Chief of Defense Mr. Gotabaya Rajapaksa, Director General of the Coast Guard Rear Adm. Daya Dharmapriya, and the APCSS Sri Lanka Alumni Association.

Next, he travelled to the Maldives where he inaugurated the APCSS Maldives Alumni Association. He also met with the Honorable Mohamed Muizz Adnan, Minister of State for Defense and National Security, Chief of Defense Maj. Gen. Moosa Ali Jaleel (EC00-3) and Commissioner of Police Ahmed Faseeh.

Upcoming Trips

In the next few months the director will be traveling to the following countries:
- Vietnam
- Thailand
- Singapore

APCSS Director Lt. Gen. Ed Smith met with Dr. Soeung Rathchavy, ASEAN Deputy Secretary-General, on Feb. 5, 2009 at the ASEAN Secretariat in Jakarta, Indonesia. They discussed potential future partnering opportunities in the area of crisis management.

(L-R) Pratap Parameswaran (Asst. Director, Head ASEAN Regional Forum Unit and SEC08-2 alumni), Retno Astrini (Technical Officer for ASEAN Regional Forum Matters), Lt. Gen. Smith, Dr. Soeung Rathchavy (Deputy Secretary-General), Dr. Anish Kumar Roy (Director, Bureau for Resources Development), and Lt. Col. Brian Nelson.

Sri Lankan Chief of Defense Mr. Gotabaya Rajapaksa (left) with Lt. Gen. Smith and Terrance Slattery.

In Maldives with the Chief of Defense, Maj. Gen. Moosa Ali Jaleel (EC00-3)

Please don’t forget to contact the Outreach and Alumni Coordination Branch at AlumniDivision@apcss.org if you have been promoted, changed job positions, or moved.