

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS AND NEWS

DKI APCSS faculty members wrote the following articles and papers in their capacity as subject matter experts. The views expressed in these articles are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent those of the Department of Defense or the U.S. Government.

All listed writings are available online at www.apcss.org.



Dr. Christopher C. Harmon has finished a fifth book on terrorism and counterterrorism. In January 2018, The **Brookings Institution Press** released "The Terrorist Argument: Modern Advocacy & Propaganda," co-authored with Randall Bowdich, Ph.D.



Navy **Cmdr. Jonathan Odom** recently wrote an article titled "A Modern-Day Pentagon Paper in a Post-Pentagon Papers World: A Case Study of Negotiations Between The **Washington Post** and the U.S. Government Regarding Publication of the 2009 Afghanistan Assessment." A case study about a negotiation between The **Washington Post** and the Obama Administration over the publication of a 2009 classified report on Afghanistan operations, which had been leaked to reporter Bob Woodward.



Lt. Col. Alex Carter wrote a paper entitled, "Thinking through the Unthinkable – how help from an unlikely source will strengthen capacity and reduce terrorist threats in and around the Straits of Malacca and Singapore." This paper describes how the United States government can help Singapore's Information Fusion Center identify, target, and eliminate or reduce the threat of maritime terrorism in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore (Straits).



Dr. Alexander L. Vuving has a new paper entitled, "Vietnam's National Security Architecture," which is an overview of their system and some of their major security threats and concerns. These threats and concerns include the South China Sea disputes, regime critics and opposition, natural and environmental disasters and climate change, and trafficking.



Lt. Col. Scott McDonald recently completed an article entitled, "Wanted: A Strategy for the Indo-Pacific Region" in The National Interest. Excerpt: "Naturally, they completely changed the headline such that it misrepresents by argument. Contrary to the headline, the article does not deny the existence of the Free and Open Indo-Pacific strategy, rather it offers a concept for providing means to round out the ends and ways that are already articulated.



DKI APCSS professor **Dr. Mohan Malik** participated in the Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies' Strategic Forum 2018

on "Maritime Security in the Western Indian Ocean" in Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates). He delivered a presentation on "Maritime Domain Awareness in the WIOR and the Quad" at the workshop that was attended by diplomats, military and government officials from the region.

DKI APCSS Associate Professor **Dr.**

Benjamin J. Ryan recently spoke at the Malaysian Institute of Defence and Security's as part of their program called "MiDAS Executive Dialogue." His speech was on "Enhancing Regional Cooperation Through Military Involvement in HADR."



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Elina Noor was invited to speak on the topic of, "New Technologies, IHL and the Future of Warfare," focused on regional and international developments within the cyber domain as well as their

implications for IHL. She also participated in the Japan-ASEAN Media Forum in Bangkok held on Aug. 25 - 26, where she provided a briefing on the "Indo-Pacific Region – Economy, Society, and Politics" from a Malaysian and Southeast Asian perspective; and an update on Malaysia's strategic outlook following the country's 14th general elections in May 2018.

Ryan Speaks at Pacific Armies Management Symposium

The 42nd Pacific Armies Management Symposium (PAMS) was recently held in Hanoi, Vietnam, August 20-23, 2018, with the theme: “Cooperation among Indo-Pacific Land forces in Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Response (HA/DR).”

There were three plenaries: Land forces initial response to HA/DR; Multilateral cooperation; and Enhancing roles in regional cooperation for HA/DR. Dr. Benjamin Ryan, Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (DKI APCSS), presented in the third where there was a focus on addressing key issues land forces need to consider in order to enhance capabilities to effectively respond to future HA/DR events.

Dr. Ryan focused his discussion on what roles land forces could have in helping achieve resilience and cooperation. This included outlining the international humanitarian architecture (cluster system), describing resilience concepts and proposing land forces modify the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) Disaster Resilience Scorecard for Cities for HA/DR planning activities. Modification of the scorecard by land forces would reflect alignment with the civilian sector approach to measuring resilience, enable dialogue with all sectors at local and national levels (helping build trust) and allow systematic prioritization of resilience strategies.

Dr. Ryan suggested the capacities to identify disaster vulnerabilities and help mitigate the risks identified through a scorecard approach already exist within land forces across the region (for exam-



Dr. Ben Ryan (2nd from left) provides a focused discussion on resilience and cooperation during HA/DR.

ple, engineering units). Also, application of a scorecard approach to measuring and achieve resilience would help communities, nations and the region better resist, absorb, adapt to, transform and recover from the effects of a disaster in a timely and efficient manner. Finally, he advised that this type of approach would enhance capabilities of land forces to effectively prepare for and respond to future HA/DR events at local, provincial, national and regional levels.

PAMS is a U.S. Army Pacific-initiated seminar aimed at facilitating and enhancing interactions across the region. Participation has grown from nine nations at the first PAMS in Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1977, to over 30 nations. The forum provides an opportunity to enhance understanding of regional challenges and concerns, exchange perspectives in a professional and cooperative setting and participate in cultural and networking activities. This was the first time the event had been held in Vietnam. 🇻🇳

Understanding

Transnational Security Cooperation Wargames



“In-Stride Adjudication” is a collection of papers resulting from the U.S. Wargaming Conference 2018 held at the National Defense University. DKI APCSS’ Dr. Deon Canyon was a presenter and a member of a post-conference working group which worked on and compiled these papers into an edited book.

According to the book description, Canyon’s chapter “discusses the in-stride adjudication system used in Transnational Security Cooperation Wargames (TSCW) and the key insights into best practices for in-stride adjudication revealed by interviews with adjudicators of the TSCW. These include the importance of adjudicators having prior management and gaming experience, the importance of prioritizing adjudication on actions based on their complexity, urgency and relevance, and the importance of maintaining narrative coherence through adjudicator coordination and technological innovation.”

You can read “In-Stride Adjudication” online at: apcss.org/adjudication 🇺🇸