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COMPREHENSIVE MARITIME SECURITY COOPERATION MODULE CONCEPT PAPER – CMSC 21-1

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MODULE LEADERSHIP

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MODULE DESCRIPTION

The Comprehensive Maritime Security Cooperation module 21-1 is designed to enhance the capability of security practitioners to support whole-of-society efforts to improve maritime security, promote a free and open Indo-Pacific region, and to foster shared understanding to protect the rules-based international order. The CMSC module informs mid-career security practitioners about contemporary maritime security themes in the Indo-Pacific region, including its numerous traditional and non-traditional challenges, complexities and opportunities for capacity building and maritime cooperation. The CMSC 21-1 module will focus on Southeast Asia and seeks to enhance the capability of participants in the areas of maritime security, strategy, and decision-making undertaken in complex and culturally-diverse environments. This module follows the DKI APCSS Maritime Shared Awareness workshop series that culminated in 2019. After two years, DKI APCSS can provide value to Southeast Asia participants concerned with ongoing regional maritime security issues. Additionally, The Center will recruit a Southeast Asia multilateral cohort from the ADMM+ EWG MarSec group to participate and develop related projects.

This module is intended to provide a maritime security forum to study regional maritime security concerns in lieu of the full CMSC 21-1 course due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. This module will engage regional security practitioners in maritime study as a bridge to the Comprehensive Security Cooperation (CSC) course is offered in the autumn of 2021 with a maritime security concentration. This module will award a DKI APCSS Certificate of Completion, but will not confer alumni status.

MODULE OBJECTIVES

CMSC 21-1 Theme

- Multilateral Maritime Security in Southeast Asia.

CMSC 21-1 Focus Statement

- Promote Southeast Asian multilateral cooperation to improve regional state sovereignty at sea, safeguard the maritime environment, and harness the economic potential of the sea.

CMSC 21-1 Desired Outcomes

1. Participants will be able to describe how challenges to the rules-based international order, and climate change in the maritime environment, degrade state sovereignty and global prosperity.

2. Participants will be able to apply enhanced understanding of maritime security in approaching national and regional threats in the maritime domain.
3. Participants will be able to advance regional maritime security by strengthening state sovereignty and environmental stewardship, leading to economic prosperity.

MODULE STRUCTURE & REQUIREMENTS

The CMSC 21-1 module will run for three-hours per day, for four days, and will maximize the potential of the virtual environment to cooperatively address the significant maritime issues in Southeast Asia. The module is structured around panel presentations with plenary discussion, followed by seminar dialogue. This format is designed to educate, connect, and empower participants in the potential of the maritime domain, as well as how to approach challenges in it. This module will also provide the opportunity for participants to brief-back their findings on module Desired Outcomes. In addition to the 12-hour core curriculum, Fellows will have opportunity to participate in two 1-hour electives scheduled both before and after the Day 2 program.

CENTER'S GUIDING & LEARNING PRINCIPLES

Panels and seminar discussions are facilitated by professionals who adhere to the Center's guiding principles of mutual respect, transparency and inclusion. All discussions take place in an academic environment of non-attribution. Critical thinking and dialogue affords participants the opportunity to reflect and connect newly acquired knowledge with previous knowledge and experiences to enhance learning. Facilitated exchanges of perspectives provide participants the opportunity to reflect with diversity of thought. Participants connect with each other to build networks and partnerships that will benefit their professional work.

MODULE PARTICIPANTS

CMSC 21-1 participants are mid-career to senior-level (O4 to O7 grade equivalency) international military and civilian officials whose current position involves operating or decision-making in international or inter-governmental settings relevant to the Indo-Pacific, particularly those in the field of maritime security. This module will focus on participation from Southeast Asia, although security professionals from all of the Indo-Pacific are welcome. Security practitioners of equal rank and responsibility from the United States whose current or future responsibilities require significant input to policy analysis, formulation, and execution regarding the Indo-Pacific will also attend. All attendees should demonstrate aptitude or potential for graduate-level studies.

APCSS apportions allocations to international security partners, as well as U.S. attendees, approximately three months in advance of the module start date to military and civilian officials in the aforementioned qualifications who are interested in attending CMSC 21-1. Nominations of international participants will be forwarded to the U.S. Embassy Security Cooperation Office (SCO) in their country. Each nomination will be submitted to the Center's recruiter by the established deadline. Final approval of the applicant is contingent on the Module Manager's acceptance based on the qualifications of the applicant. CMSC 21-1 will be conducted virtually and is therefore is a tuition-free, self-funded event.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

CMSC 21-1 participants who have successfully demonstrated module competencies through active engagement in all aspects of the program, including full attendance, completion of all activities, and mutually respectful engagements in plenaries and seminars will be awarded a DKI APCSS Certificate of Completion. CMSC 21-1 is a non-graded academic experience. World class DKI APCSS online library resources are available to all module participants during CMSC 21-1.

CMSC 21-1 AGENDA

Monday, June 14	Tuesday, June 15	Wednesday, June 16	Thursday, June 17
	Electives		
Welcome and opening	Administrative remarks	Administrative remarks	Administrative remarks
Ice breaker	Panel 2 with theme: Maritime environment in Southeast Asia	Panel 3 with theme: Challenges to the rules- based international order – South China Sea	Seminar discussion 4: Promote Southeast Asian multilateral cooperation to improve regional state sovereignty at sea, safeguard the maritime environment, and harness the economic potential of the sea
Foundational event 1 – Maritime security – sovereignty and environmental stewardship for prosperity			
Seminar discussion 1			
Project coordination	Project coordination	Project coordination	Closing remarks
	Electives		

INDICATORS OF ACHIEVEMENT

The success of CMSC 21-1 is directly attributed to participant involvement that is advanced through Center transformational learning methodologies. With the understanding that transformational learning is difficult to measure, the Center collects quantitative and qualitative data to determine measures of effectiveness with a special emphasis on long-term indicators. Indicators of achievement for modules are based on the *New World Kirkpatrick Model for Training Evaluation*. The levels and associated measures provide levels of achievement. The measurements indicated are examples and do not necessarily represent the total data set. These data are generated through module polling, surveys, assessments, and observations.

Level 1 – Reaction. *The degree to which participants find the module favorable, engaging and relevant to their jobs.*

Measurement:

1. Participants were satisfied with the module experience.
2. Participants were actively engaged in the module.
3. Participants assessed the module as relevant to their job.

Level 2 – Learning. *The degree to which Participants acquire the intended knowledge, skills, attitude, confidence, and commitment (KSACC) based on their participation in the module.*

Measurement:

1. Participants assessed that knowledge gained in the module better prepared them for their jobs.
2. Participants assessed that skills taught during the module better prepared them for their jobs.

3. Participants assessed and demonstrated that learning the module material was an important aspect (attitude) of their work as a security practitioner.
4. Participants assessed and demonstrated greater confidence in their abilities to perform their jobs.
5. Participants assessed and demonstrated a commitment to apply what they learned in their jobs.

Level 3 – Behavior. *The degree to which Participants apply what they learned during the module when they are back on the job.*

Measurement:

1. In a post module surveys, Participants assessed that they used the knowledge and skills gained in the module in their jobs.

Level 4 – Results. *The degree to which long-term objectives occur as a result of the module.*

Measurement:

1. In post module surveys, participants assessed that their longer term achievement of module objectives can be attributed to their module experience.