

“Defining a Maritime Security Partnership with China”

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Background

There are substantial shared interests that potentially serve as the basis for extensive U.S.-China maritime security cooperation. The global economy, wherein both states serve as vital participants, and indeed beneficiaries, creates the most fundamental imperative for transparent, mutually beneficial cooperation on the basis of equality and reciprocity. Whether one considers port operations, shipbuilding, or naval development, China’s maritime presence is growing at a prodigious rate. China’s growth in the maritime domain, when coupled with the critical role of seaborne trade for U.S. economic and national security, further underscores the potential value of bilateral maritime cooperation. The primary goal of this conference is to foster a dialogue between Chinese and American experts in order to generate ideas for potential areas of cooperation between the nations’ respective navies.

Day 1: Wednesday 5 December

0730 Buses Transport Attendees from Hotel Viking

0800–0900 Registration and Breakfast at McCarty Little Hall, Naval War College (NWC)

0900–0930 Welcoming Remarks: RADM Jacob L. Shuford, President, NWC

0945–1145 Panel 1: China, the United States and the Global Maritime Commons
Moderator: Lyle Goldstein (NWC)

“Regional Stability in the Period of Chinese Maritime Emergence”—Robert Ross (Boston College)

“China’s Maritime Development and U.S.-China Cooperation”—Zhuang Jianzhong (Shanghai Jiaotong University)

“China’s Dependence on the Global Commons”—Gabriel Collins (NWC)

“Challenges in the Development of Military-to-Military Relationships”—David Griffiths (Dalhousie University)

1145–1300 Catered Lunch

1300–1500 Panel 2: Maritime Domain Awareness
Moderator: RADM Michael McDevitt (Ret.) (Center for Naval Analyses)

“The Container Security Initiative and U.S.-China Relations”—Andrew Erickson (NWC)

“Maritime Technology Transfer in the U.S.-China Relationship”—Kathleen Walsh (NWC)

“A Sino-American Dialogue on Terrorism”—Paul Smith (NWC)

“U.S.-China Coast Guard Engagement”—CAPT Barney Moreland (USCG)

1515–1715 Panel 3: Maritime Legal Issues and Humanitarian Operations
Moderator: Bernard Cole (National Defense University)

“China and the Law of the Sea”—Julia Xue (Ocean University of China)

“China and the Proliferation Security Initiative”—Peter Dutton (NWC)

“Maritime Aspects of China’s Humanitarian Policy”—Su Hao (China Foreign Affairs University)

“Humanitarian Operations and U.S.-China Naval Cooperation: Prospects and Problems”—RADM Eric McVadon (Ret.) (Institute for Foreign Policy Analysis)

1830 Cocktails at Hotel Viking

1900–2130 Dinner at Hotel Viking—Keynote Address: VADM John G. Morgan, Jr., Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information, Plans, and Strategy (N3/N5)

Day 2: Thursday 6 December

0715 Buses Transport Attendees from Hotel Viking

0745–0845 Breakfast at McCarty Little Hall, NWC

0845–1045 Panel 4: Perspectives on Regional Security
Moderator: Yong Deng (Naval Academy)

“Future Missions for the PLA Navy and Implications for the U.S.”—Shen Dingli (Fudan University)

“U.S.-China Maritime Cooperation: Regional Implications and Prospects”—Michael Green (CSIS)

“Promoting U.S.-China Cooperation in Southeast Asia”—Zhu Huayou (China National Institute for South China Sea Studies)

“China and the U.S. in the Indian Ocean”—James Holmes (NWC) and Toshi Yoshihara (NWC)

1100–1300 Panel 5: Future Prospects for U.S.-China Maritime Security Cooperation
Moderator: Kenneth Lieberthal (University of Michigan)

“Similarities and Differences in American and Chinese Naval Education: Implications for Cooperation”—Nan Li (NWC)

“The American Factor in Chinese Maritime Strategy”—Jin Canrong (Renmin University)

“A PLA Navy Perspective on Maritime Security Cooperation”—RADM Yang Yi (China National Defense University)

“The China Factor in U.S. Maritime Strategy”—Jonathan Pollack (NWC)

1300–1400 Catered Lunch