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A Review of 2014

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A Message from the Dean

I write this review with a profound awareness of the transient nature of each of us in Life’s overall scheme of things, for this will be the last time that I will write this foreword.

I was appointed Director of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (IDSS) on 1 October 2000, and when IDSS was upgraded and renamed the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) on 1 January 2007, I became the Dean. On 3 November 2014, I stepped down and handed over the baton to my successor, Ambassador Ong Keng Yong, who under the new management structure, will be known as the Executive Deputy Chairman (EDC). As the new management structure also retains a Deanship, Professor Joseph Liow—until then the Associate Dean—became the Dean on the same day that Keng Yong succeeded me. In my new position as a Distinguished Fellow at RSIS, I will be focusing on my personal research—which I have not attended to as much as I would have liked—while assisting with the leadership transition as best as I can.

While freed of the responsibilities of running RSIS, I am not freed of having to review its accomplishments for 2014, given that the School was under my leadership for most of the year. It is, of course, a pleasure to do this, as I have been doing for the last 14 years.

Organisationally, we have continued to grow. The Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme established in 2013 was officially launched by President Tony Tan Keng Yam on 9 June 2014 at the Marina Mandarin. This new programme was predicated on the need for religious harmony in a multiracial society like ours. To give the SRP a boost, the Peter Lim Professorship in Peace Studies was established on the same day the programme was launched. This professorship was made possible by a $3 million dollar donation by well-known philanthropist, Mr. Peter Lim, and a matching grant by the Singapore Government. It will enable RSIS to appoint an eminent professor to lead the SRP in research and teaching.

For some time now, we have been concerned about cybersecurity, biosecurity and nuclear safety. In 2013, our International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research and Centre of Excellence for National Security—both working in collaboration with external agencies—had organised separate workshops on cyber extremism and cyber deterrence respectively. In January 2014, a three-day workshop on nuclear safety was held. More recently, in November, we collaborated with the Baltimore-based UPMC Center for Health Security in organising a strategic dialogue on biosecurity. Our work on cybersecurity, biosecurity and nuclear safety paved the way for a new programme on Science, Technology and Security in 2014. I hope that funds will be available in the years ahead to enable us to commit greater resources to this new programme.

During the year, we also established the RSIS Student and Alumni Affairs Office, which will offer career development and job search support to graduating Masters and doctoral students. Partnerships with government, corporations, NGOs and academia will be developed to provide our students and alumni with relevant training, internships and full-time job opportunities. Concurrent with this move, preparations were made to establish the RSIS Alumni Association (RAA), which was launched on
22 August 2014 during the 11th RSIS Alumni Dinner held at the InterContinental Singapore Hotel. The new alumni association will bring under its wings all the students that have successfully passed through the portals of RSIS since 1998 when the first Master of Science Programme was taught. Since then, and after 15 cohorts of students from more than 60 countries, a home has finally been established that will serve to connect our global community of alumni, which presently stands at 1,200 members.

The launch of the RAA was followed shortly by the launch of its Indonesian chapter in Jakarta on 7 November. I hope that many more overseas chapters will be established, as this will help in strengthening the RSIS network. Beyond networking, however, I hope that members of the RAA will maintain a lifelong interest in the alma mater, and help to keep the RSIS name aloft wherever they may be.

RSIS undertook a corporate brand and website review beginning in April 2013. This comprehensive project was completed during the year in review, and the revamped website was finally launched on 11 July. I hope that RSIS will stand out as a brand name as much as we have stood out as a policy think tank and professional graduate school of international affairs.

I would now like to say a few words about my successors. Ambassador Ong Keng Yong, who will succeed me, is a seasoned diplomat who has held many diplomatic postings overseas, including a posting as Singapore’s High Commissioner to Malaysia from 2011 to 2014. Before that, he was the Secretary-General of ASEAN based in Jakarta from 2003 to 2007. He also served as Press Secretary to Singapore’s Prime Minister from 1998 to 2002, and held senior positions in the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Arts, and the People’s Association of Singapore. As the Executive Deputy Chairman, Ambassador Ong will provide overall leadership and strategic directions in professional, academic and administrative matters. He will also manage policy research under RSIS’ role as a think tank.

With his experience at senior levels of management and policymaking, Ambassador Ong will bring RSIS to new heights of excellence in post-graduate education and research. In this, he will be ably assisted by Professor Joseph Liow, who, being the Dean, will be the School’s chief academic officer, with responsibilities for the conduct, coordination and the quality of the school’s academic programmes. Dean Liow will also lead in the school’s academic development and assist the EDC in the overall management of RSIS.

Lastly, I would like to sign off by thanking all my colleagues who have helped in building RSIS into one of Asia’s foremost think tanks and professional graduate schools of international affairs. I am certain that they will give my successors the same unstinting support they had given me during my tenure.

Barry Desker
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ABOUT RSIS
The S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) was officially inaugurated on 1 January 2007. Prior to this, it was known as the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (IDSS), which was established 10 years earlier, on 30 July 1996, by Dr. Tony Tan Keng Yam, then Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and now President of the Republic of Singapore. Like its predecessor, RSIS was established as an autonomous entity within Nanyang Technological University (NTU).

The establishment of RSIS was a crowning achievement for IDSS. Besides serving to honour the late Mr. S. Rajaratnam, who was Singapore’s first Foreign Minister, the renaming of IDSS reflected the progress of what was originally a modest research institute into a professional graduate school of international affairs. IDSS continues to exist within RSIS as its core component, focusing on security research. Its teaching functions now reside within the School.

RSIS exists to develop a community of scholars and policy analysts at the forefront of Asia-Pacific security studies and international affairs. Its motto, as before, is ‘Ponder the Improbable’. Its research, teaching and networking objectives are aimed at assisting policymakers to develop comprehensive approaches to strategic thinking in areas related to Singapore’s interests.

RSIS is guided by a Board of Governors chaired by Mr. Eddie Teo, Chairman of the Public Service Commission. His predecessor, Dr. Andrew Chew, stepped down from the Board on 31 December 2008, after having served as Chairman since the establishment of IDSS in 1996.

The Founding Director of IDSS was Mr. S R Nathan, who was then concurrently Ambassador-at-Large in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and formerly Singapore’s ambassador to the United States. Mr. Nathan established the Institute with start-up funds contributed by the government and the Singapore Totalisator Board. He relinquished his post on 17 August 1999 when he became President of the Republic of Singapore and was succeeded by his deputy, Professor Khong Yuen Foong. (Mr. Nathan re-joined RSIS as a Distinguished Senior Fellow on 1 September 2011.)

On 1 October 2000, Professor Khong Yuen Foong returned to his teaching career at Oxford University. He was succeeded by Ambassador Barry Desker, who was until then Chief Executive Officer of the Singapore Trade Development Board and prior to that, Singapore’s ambassador to Indonesia. Professor Khong remains affiliated to RSIS as Senior Research Advisor and Professor of International Relations. He continues to teach two graduate courses each year.

A change of leadership took place recently when, on 3 November 2014, Ambassador Barry Desker handed over the leadership of RSIS to Ambassador Ong Keng Yong. Ambassador Ong, who was Singapore’s High Commissioner to Malaysia until recently, took over as the Executive Deputy Chairman (EDC) of RSIS under a new management structure that also retained a Deanship for the School. As the EDC, Ambassador Ong will provide overall leadership and strategic directions in professional, academic and administrative matters. He will also manage policy research under RSIS’ role as a think tank. Ambassador Ong will be assisted by Professor Joseph Liow, who became Dean on the same day that he took office as the EDC. Before that, Professor Liow had been serving RSIS as Associate Dean from 2008. As Dean, he will be the chief academic officer of RSIS, with responsibilities for the con-
duct, coordination and quality of the School’s academic programmes. He will also lead in the School’s academic development and assist the EDC in the overall management of RSIS.

RSIS runs several series of conferences on security, including the annual Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO), the annual Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO) and the biennial Asia-Pacific Security Conference and International Maritime Security Conference, both organised jointly with Experia Events Pte Ltd on alternating years.

RSIS continues to serve as the Secretariat for the Singapore National Committee of the Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP), and in this role contributes actively to Track 2 discussions on regional security. RSIS is also the Secretariat for the Track II Network of ASEAN Defence and Security Institutions (NADI). NADI serves as a forum for ASEAN think tanks and research institutions to network and build confidence, as well as discuss and provide timely recommendations to the ADMM on issues of security cooperation.

The Master of Science programmes of RSIS—in Strategic Studies, International Relations, International Political Economy and Asian Studies—were inaugurated in 1998, 2002, 2004 and 2008 respectively to cater to the development of defence and security professionals, civil servants and others with an interest in these fields. The faculty comprises RSIS staff members as well as international and local specialists in the fields of strategic studies, terrorism studies, international relations, political economy, foreign-policy analysis, defence technology, history and law. To widen the choice for students, a two-year, double-degree programme, the NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme, was introduced in 2010. Students in this programme spend their first year at the University of Warwick and the second year at RSIS.

RSIS has benefited from IDSS’ earlier association with King’s College, London, and, in particular, the assistance of Professor Sir Lawrence Freedman, its Professor of War Studies. Professor Freedman was IDSS’ Consultant and External Examiner until June 2003, during which time he provided sterling service to the Institute and its Masters programmes. Professor Stephen Walt, the Robert and Renée Belfer
Professor of International Affairs at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, where he served as Academic Dean from 2002 to 2006, took over from Professor Freedman as RSIS’ consultant. Professor Walt relinquished this appointment on 30 June 2012. Professor Sir Steve Smith, Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive of the University of Exeter, took over as External Examiner and served in this capacity until 20 September 2011, when the position was discontinued following an NTU ruling.

The RSIS graduate programmes have drawn students from many countries around the world. To date, students have come from 64 countries, including Singapore:

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The Board of Governors and senior faculty of RSIS were hosted to a lunch at the Istana by President Tony Tan on 10 January 2014. In the front row (from left), Professor Wang Gungwu, Mr. Chee Wee Kiong, Mr. Eddie Teo (Chairman of the Board), President Tony Tan, Mr. Chan Yeng Kit, Professor Er Meng Hwa and Professor Sir Steve Smith. In the second row (from left), Professor Harry Harding, Ms. Chew Gek Khim, Dean Barry Desker (ex-officio member), Professor Bates Gill, Professor Chan Heng Chee and Professor Joseph Liow (Associate Dean, RSIS)
The success of RSIS' Master of Science programmes is reflected in the increasing numbers of students enrolled over the years. From only 10 students in 1998—all Singaporeans—the student enrolment in Academic Year 2014/2015 is 198. RSIS' role in teaching was enhanced when IDSS accepted its first doctoral student in 2003/2004. Since then, six students have graduated from the doctoral programme. RSIS presently has 26 doctoral students.

RSIS faculty members teach defence and security policy, geopolitics and regional security, and military history in various officer courses at the SAFTI Military Institute. These contractual obligations come under the rubric of the SAF-NTU Strategic Partnership, which came into being in 2009. That year, faculty involvement in SAFTI's Goh Keng Swee Command and Staff College reached a new milestone when courses conducted there became fully accredited towards NTU's Master of Science programmes conducted by the College of Engineering, Nanyang Business School and RSIS. RSIS' International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR), which was inaugurated on 20 February 2004, has also conducted courses on terrorism for officers of the Ministries of Defence and Home Affairs.

Faculty and research staff members of RSIS are also actively involved in research on issues related to the security and stability of the Asia Pacific and their implications for Singapore. Besides IDSS and ICPVTR, RSIS' research structure also includes the Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) and the Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies (Centre for NTS Studies), both of which host several programmes. CENS was inaugurated on 29 March 2006 while the Centre for NTS Studies was launched on 6 May 2008. RSIS' structure also includes the Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations (TFCTN), which was launched on 16 October 2008. TFCTN focuses mainly on capacity-building programmes in global and regional trade negotiations for mid-career officials from the Asian region.

RSIS' Centre for Multilateralism Studies (CMS) was launched on 14 October 2011. The CMS does not supplant the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme located within IDSS. While CMS tracks economic aspects of multilateral cooperation and regional integration, the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme focuses on defence and security multilateralism. More recently, on 9 June 2014, RSIS inaugurated the Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme, which will study models of how communities adapt their religious life and evolve their religious doctrines to cope with the realities of living in plural societies. It will also study and develop expertise in the conduct of inter-religious relations, including conflict resolution mechanisms and models that facilitate de-radicalisation, build peace and strengthen social ties.

The research agenda of RSIS includes terrorism, homeland security, non-traditional security, multilateralism and regionalism, maritime security, contemporary Islam, military transformations, international political economy, inter-religious relations, and country and area studies. Research findings are shared with those involved in security, diplomacy and business through articles in refereed journals and the School's monograph series, working papers, policy papers, commentaries and other publications. RSIS focuses on accessible analyses for the policy and business communities, in addition to publications for an academic audience.

RSIS hosts many local and foreign scholars under its Visiting Research Fellows Programme. The presence of such scholars enriches the intellectual milieu of RSIS and provides many opportunities through informal seminars for faculty and research staff to acquire additional perspectives and insights. Similarly, faculty and research staff as well as RSIS students and the general public benefit from the talks given by visiting luminaries under the School's Distinguished Speakers Programme.
RSIS has a growing number of sponsors. Those that have contributed grants to support the activities of the School and its predecessor, or to their respective endowment funds, include the following:

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◊ Bakrie Center Foundation
◊ Ngee Ann Kongsi
◊ Temasek Holdings (Private) Limited
◊ Lee Foundation
◊ Temasek Foundation
◊ Mr. Peter Lim
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◊ International Development Research Centre

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◊ Sasakawa Peace Foundation
◊ Ford Foundation
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◊ Ancora Foundation
◊ Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

RSIS is a non-profit organisation. Besides the sponsors listed above, other major sources of funds include the Ministry of Defence, the Ministry of Home Affairs, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the National Security Coordination Secretariat, which utilise RSIS’ teaching and consultancy services. Earnings from the IDSS Endowment Fund are used to support the Institute’s programmes.

When RSIS was inaugurated on 1 January 2007, a campaign to raise $40 million (including dollar-for-dollar matching grants from the Singapore Government) for the RSIS Endowment Fund was initiated. Led by Mr. S. Chandra Das, Chairman of NUR Investment and Trading Pte Ltd and Singapore’s Non-resident Ambassador to Turkey, the Fund Raising Campaign Committee achieved its target and the RSIS Endowment Fund was launched on 31 March 2008. Income from this endowment is used to engage world-class faculty and research staff and to award scholarships to talented students. This provides students with a wider choice of courses, higher levels of excellence in teaching and increased research support.

The RSIS Endowment Fund includes the provisions for three professorships that were established from donations by the Ngee Ann Kongsi, the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC), and the Bakrie Center Foundation, together with government matching grants. These are the NTUC Professorship in International Economic Relations, the Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in International Relations, and the Bakrie Professorship in Southeast Asia Policy. In 2014, a new professorship, the Peter Lim Professorship in Peace Studies, was established from a $3 million donation by Mr. Peter Lim, a well-known philanthropist, together with a matching grant from the government. These endowed professorships enable RSIS to engage renowned scholars in their respective fields to teach and to research at the School, besides sharing their knowledge with the wider community through public lectures and seminars. The Bakrie Center Foundation also donated $600,000, which, together with a matching grant from the Singapore Government, provided for a Bakrie Graduate Fellowship scholarship fund at RSIS over a period of five years beginning in 2011.

To date, RSIS employs 168 personnel comprising management, faculty, research and support staff. It has, beginning with its predecessor, IDSS, achieved a track record out of proportion to its youth and size. RSIS has come a long way in establishing itself as a leading centre for teaching and research, and as one of the key nodes in the global network of think tanks.
RSIS is guided by a Board of Governors appointed by the Nanyang Technological University Board of Trustees. The Board of Governors comprises members representing the University and organisations and international bodies concerned with defence, strategic studies, diplomacy and international affairs.

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Faculty and research staff at the annual Staff Dinner, 14 March 2014
HIGHLIGHTS
VISITING S. RAJARATNAM PROFESSOR OF STRATEGIC STUDIES

Professor Andrew Hurrell was at RSIS from 3 to 18 January 2014 as the School’s S. Rajaratnam Professor of Strategic Studies. Professor Hurrell, who is the Montague Burton Professor of International Relations at Balliol College of Oxford University, delivered several talks while at RSIS, including a Distinguished Public Lecture (“Do You Have to be a Regional Power to be a Great Power?”), a University Colloquium (“Emerging Powers and the New Global Order”) and a student seminar (“The BRICS and Beyond: IR Theory in a Global Age”). He also participated actively in RSIS’ weeklong 16th Asia Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers, where he gave a Distinguished Lunch Talk, and met with faculty and senior policymakers who were keen to hear his views.

7TH ASIA PACIFIC SECURITY CONFERENCE 2014

The 7th Asia Pacific Security Conference (APSEC) was held on 9–10 February 2014 as part of the Singapore Airshow. More than 200 participants attended the event, including Second Minister for Defence, Mr. Chan Chun Sing, who delivered the keynote address. The conference explored the continuity and change in East Asia’s security environment, both through the lens of U.S.-China strategic ambitions and through the impact of emerging fifth-generation airpower capabilities. General Herbert J. Carlisle, Commander of U.S. Pacific Air Forces, rounded up the event with a lunch talk where he spoke about the shared interests, shared challenges and shared responsibilities facing the countries in the Asia Pacific.
8th Asia Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers

The 8th Asia Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO 2014) was held at The Sentosa Resort & Spa on 6–11 April 2014. Organised by the Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) and with the support of the National Security Coordination Secretariat, APPSNO 2014 explored the theme “The Challenge of Systemic Resilience for National Security”. This conference brought together senior national security officers from the Asia Pacific and beyond for a week of intensive discussion and networking. They included 25 participants from the Asia Pacific and Europe, who were joined by 40 of their Singaporean counterparts from various government ministries and agencies. The Guest-of-Honour, Mr. S. Iswaran, Minister in the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister for Home Affairs, delivered the inaugural address.

Inauguration of the Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme

RSIS’ newest programme was inaugurated by President Tony Tan Keng Yam on 9 June 2014 in the presence of more than 500 guests, including Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean and several other Cabinet Ministers. The SRP Programme aims to study various models of how religious communities develop their teachings to meet the contemporary challenges of living in plural societies, deepen the study of inter-religious relations, formulate models for the positive role of religions in peace-building, and produce knowledge to strengthen social ties between communities. To commemorate the occasion, Sheikh Dr. Ali Gomaa, former Grand Mufti of Egypt and current Chairman of the Misr Al Khayr Foundation, delivered a Distinguished Public Lecture on "Reclaiming Our Common Humanity: Role of Religion Amidst Pluralism".

Guests at the inauguration of the SRP Programme, 9 June 2014
LAUNCH OF THE PETER LIM PROFESSORSHIP IN PEACE STUDIES
The Peter Lim Professorship in Peace Studies was launched on 9 June 2014 during the inauguration of RSIS’ Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme. The professorship was established through a generous gift of $3 million from Mr. Peter Lim and a matching grant from the Singapore Government. The endowment will enable the SRP Programme to appoint a professor who can lead the programme in researching and teaching Peace Studies. In making his donation, Mr. Lim hoped that the professorship would be able to bring together distinguished scholars and thought leaders to study how Singapore can further preserve and promote the existing harmonious relations among its different communities.

RSIS DELEGATION VISITS BEIJING THINK TANKS
On 22–26 June 2014, Dean Barry Desker led an RSIS delegation on a visit to major think tanks in Beijing, China. During the visit, the RSIS delegation participated in two workshops, on "Regional Architecture in the Asia Pacific" and on "Maritime Security in the Asia Pacific", which were co-organised with the School of International Studies at Renmin University and the National Institute for South China Sea Studies (NISCSS) respectively. The RSIS delegation also held roundtable discussions and meetings on various regional issues with leading analysts and officials from the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Commerce, Beijing Military Attaches Corps, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) and the National Defense University (NDU). Dean Desker was also invited to give a talk hosted by long-time RSIS associate Major General Yao Yunzhu at the Chinese Academy of Military Science.

Dean Desker with his host, Professor Jin Canrong (fourth from left) at the workshop on “Regional Architecture in the Asia-Pacific” held at Renmin University’s School of International Studies, 23 June 2014
BROOKINGS’ HONOUR FOR PROFESSOR JOSEPH LIOW
On 1 August 2014, Professor Joseph Liow, then Associate Dean of RSIS, was appointed by The Brookings Institution of Washington, D.C., as its inaugural Lee Kuan Yew Chair in Southeast Asia Studies and Senior Fellow in its Foreign Policy Program. This new research position aims to enhance America’s understanding and appreciation of the complex politics and the societies of Southeast Asia. During his two-year tenure at Brookings, Professor Liow will be doing research; giving talks and workshops to U.S. lawmakers, policy analysts, and scholars; and exchanging best practices with his host, such as in shaping policy discussions, influencing policy thought processes and engaging with the policy community. Professor Liow was doubly honoured when he was appointed Dean of RSIS on 3 November, a position which he is holding concurrently.

VISITING NGEE ANN KONGSI PROFESSOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Professor T. V. Paul, the James McGill Professor of International Relations in the Department of Political Science at McGill University, Canada, visited RSIS as its Ngee Ann Kongsi Professor of International Relations from 2 to 16 August 2014. During his visit, Professor Paul delivered a Distinguished Public Lecture (“Rising Powers: Is Peaceful Accommodation Possible?”), addressed a University Colloquium (“Pakistan: War and State Building in Comparative Perspective”) and gave a student seminar (“Restraining Great Powers through Institutions”). Professor Paul also spoke at RSIS’ 16th Asia Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers, and had meetings with the School’s faculty, senior policymakers and academics, as well as Mr. Teo Chiang Long, Vice President of the Ngee Ann Kongsi’s Management Committee, whose generous donation (together with a matching grant from the government) made it possible for RSIS to establish the Professorship.
16th ASIA PACIFIC PROGRAMME FOR SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS

The 16th Asia Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO 2014) was held at The Singapore Resort & Spa Sentosa from 4 to 10 August 2014. Organised by RSIS’ Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, APPSMO 2014 was attended by more than 50 military officers from 24 countries around the Asia Pacific and Europe. Based on the theme “The Changing Roles of the Military”, the participants addressed questions regarding the core roles of the armed forces today and in the near future, in the context of a rapidly evolving security environment. The Minister for Social and Family Development and Second Minister for Defence, Mr. Chan Chun Sing, delivered the keynote address at the opening of the conference. The Chief of Defence Force, Lieutenant General Ng Chee Meng, joined the participants for the conference opening dinner held at the Rasa Sentosa.

PERMANENT SECRETARY (DEFENCE) VISITS RSIS

Mr. Chan Yeng Kit, Permanent Secretary for Defence, led a delegation from the Ministry of Defence (MINDEF) on a visit to RSIS on 14 August 2014. He was accompanied by Brigadier General Tan Chee Wee, Director of Policy, and several other policy officers. The MINDEF delegation was briefed on the organisational structure, current research output, and forthcoming research projects that several of RSIS’ centres and programmes were engaged in. Mr. Chan noted the significance of RSIS’ work to MINDEF, and highlighted in particular the ways in which the School was adding value to Track 1. Both RSIS and MINDEF affirmed their commitment to a long-term partnership, and in this regard agreed to work on enhancing dialogue channels and strengthening collaboration.
LAUNCH OF THE RSIS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The RSIS Alumni Association (RAA) was launched on 22 August 2014 at the 11th RSIS Alumni Dinner held at the Intercontinental Singapore Hotel. More than 170 alumni, faculty and guests were present at the launch. The Executive Committee was formed by a group of dedicated alumni with Mr. Phillip Kwang Yong Ee of the Ministry of Defence as its President. The RAA will serve to connect RSIS’ global community of alumni, which presently has more than 1,200 members spread across more than 60 countries. To further facilitate networking within each country, efforts are being made to establish overseas chapters, with the RAA (Indonesia) being the first to be launched, on 7 November 2014 in Jakarta.

LAUNCH OF THE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY PROGRAMME

During his speech at the 11th RSIS Alumni Dinner on 22 August 2014, Dean Barry Desker announced the inauguration of the Science, Technology and Security Programme. The establishment of the new programme at RSIS followed some years of work on cybersecurity, biosecurity and nuclear safety. These are subjects that have become critically important, as terrorist movements have sought to exploit the use of the technologies available in these fields. In the last few years, RSIS centres have organised workshops—some in collaboration with external agencies—on cybersecurity, biosecurity and nuclear safety, including a high-profile workshop with the U.S.-based National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) on “Approaching Critical Mass: Asia’s Multipolar Nuclear Future” on 7–8 January 2014.
2nd International Conference on Asian Food Security

The Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies, supported by Singapore’s Ministry of National Development, the National Security Coordination Secretariat and the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia, hosted the 2nd International Conference on Asian Food Security (ICAFS 2014) on 22–23 August 2014 in Singapore. Following in the footsteps of the inaugural ICAFS in 2011, the forum addressed a wide range of topics and issues pertaining to food security in Asia with the theme “Towards 2025: Technological and Policy Imperatives”. The two-day event centred around five broad subjects: (i) Trends and Challenges to Food Security; (ii) Supply and Demand – Improving Productivity Growth and Supply Chains; (iii) Market Integration, Trade and Economic Access to Food; (iv) Financing and Investing in Agricultural Innovation and Technology; and (v) Charting an Integrative Approach for Asia towards 2025.

African PolicyMakers Visit Singapore

RSIS hosted a study tour by African policymakers from 8 to 12 September 2014. Led by Dr. Greg Mills, Director of the Brenthurst Foundation of South Africa, the delegation—which comprised officials from South Africa, Nigeria, Zambia, Burundi, Kenya, Namibia, Somaliland, Ghana and Malawi—met senior officials from various local organisations to learn from Singapore’s experience in port and industrial development. A highlight of the visit for the Africans was a fireside chat with Mr. S R Nathan, RSIS Distinguished Senior Fellow and sixth President of Singapore, on 11 September at the Marina Mandarin. With earlier visits in 2008 and 2009, this was the third time that RSIS hosted policymakers from Africa.
S.T. LEE DISTINGUISHED ANNUAL LECTURE

Professor Sir Lawrence Freedman, Professor of War Studies at King’s College, London, delivered the 6th S.T. Lee Distinguished Annual Lecture on 10 September 2014. Sir Lawrence, who was formerly the Consultant and External Examiner of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies until June 2003, gave his thoughts on the difficulties of creating strategy and offered insights into how governments could best conceptualise the idea of strategic thinking. Sir Lawrence also emphasised that the ability to think strategically is a process of constant adaptation where the strategist must pay attention to shifting power balances. Strategy is not about reaching predetermined goals or following a scientific system but about managing political relationships in order to reach the best possible outcome. It was noted that Sir Lawrence authored the book *Strategy: A History*, which was selected as a *Financial Times* Best Book of 2013.

RSIS DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC LECTURE BY GENERAL (RET.) LUHUT B. PANDJAITAN

On 22 September 2014, General (Ret.) Luhut B. Pandjaitan, Senior Advisor to then President-Elect Mr. Joko Widodo, spoke on the topic “Jokowi’s Government: Challenges and Opportunities” at a RSIS Distinguished Public Lecture. GEN Pandjaitan highlighted three areas of challenges that the new Jokowi Administration would face. These are political challenges, national security challenges, and challenges related to the domestic economy. The new administration will address these problems by formulating economic policies that focus on growth and equality, providing affordable access to high-quality education and healthcare as well as improving the capabilities of the police and the military. GEN Pandjaitan emphasised the need to revise the current fuel subsidy policy to tackle constraints on the infrastructural development budget. The opportunities for the administration lie in the expandable tax compliant rate and potential additional income from the eradication of illegal fishing and logging. More importantly, President Jokowi’s best advantage lies with his large base of supporters.
RSIS DISTINGUISHED VISITING FELLOW

Professor The Honourable Bob Carr, Director of the Australia-China Relations Institute at the University of Technology in Sydney, was at RSIS as a Distinguished Visiting Fellow from 28 September to 31 October 2014. During his visit, Professor Carr, who was a former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Australia, gave several talks, including a Distinguished Public Lecture (“Australia and the China-U.S. Relationships”), a University Colloquium (“Australia and China: Australian Policymaking, Case Studies”) and a student seminar (“Southeast Asia and Australia: Australia with ASEAN”). He also gave a talk at the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Besides these, Professor Carr had a busy schedule meeting key policymakers, China specialists and members of the media.

RSIS DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC LECTURE BY GENERAL DR. MOELDOKO

General Dr. Moeldoko, Commander-in-Chief of the Indonesian National Defence Forces (TNI), delivered an RSIS Distinguished Public Lecture on 29 October 2014, where he spoke on the topic “TNI Future Challenges and Opportunities”. In his presentation, GEN Moeldoko shared his thoughts on the possible paradigm shift of the TNI to fit into newly elected President Joko Widodo’s goals and policies, and the challenges it would have to face domestically and regionally. He noted that President Jokowi’s affirmation of Indonesia’s maritime prospects highlighted the importance of naval infrastructure as well as the maritime security of Indonesia. He pointed out that dynamics in the South China Sea might generate negative implications for Indonesia, even though Indonesia was not a party to the dispute. GEN Moeldoko also noted that radicalism and extremism were challenges that had to be monitored even though they were on the decline in Indonesia.
VISITING NTUC PROFESSOR OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS
Dr. Stephen Grenville visited RSIS from 1 to 30 November 2014 as the School’s NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations. Dr. Grenville is a Non-resident Fellow at the Lowy Institute for International Policy, where he blogs regularly. During his stay at RSIS, Dr. Grenville produced an RSIS Working Paper titled *Fixing Global Finance: Unfinished Business*, which was also the theme of the Distinguished Public Lecture that he delivered during his visit. He also wrote an RSIS Commentary titled *G20 and Global Governance: Can it Do Better?*, which was timed to coincide with the Brisbane meeting of the G20. The commentary had the honour of being selected by the U.S.-based Council of Councils for posting on its website. Dr. Grenville additionally participated in a conference on “ASEAN’s Long-term Economic Potential and Vision”. During his visit, Dr. Grenville addressed a university colloquium (“G20 After Brisbane”) and gave a student seminar (“Capital flows and the emerging Asian economies”) as well as contributed an article to the *Nikkei Asian Review* (“China Growth Not Reverting to Global Mean”), and met with senior policymakers and academics.

LEADERSHIP TRANSITION AT RSIS

*Staff of RSIS at the lunch marking the handing over of RSIS by (inset, from left) Ambassador Barry Desker to Ambassador Ong Keng Yong and Professor Joseph Liow, 5 November 2014*
On 3 November 2014, Ambassador Barry Desker handed over leadership of RSIS to Ambassador Ong Keng Yong after 14 years at the helm. Ambassador Ong became the Executive Deputy Chairman (EDC), a position created under the new management structure, which also retained a Deanship for the School. As EDC, Ambassador Ong will be the executive and administrative head of RSIS, and be responsible for providing overall leadership and strategic directions in professional, academic and administrative matters. Concurrent with Ambassador Ong’s appointment, Professor Joseph Liow is now the Dean of RSIS, having been its Associate Dean previously. As Dean, Professor Liow will be the chief academic officer, with responsibilities for the conduct, coordination and quality of the School’s academic programmes. He will also lead in the School’s academic development and assist the EDC in the overall management of RSIS. Ambassador Desker is now a Distinguished Fellow at RSIS.

CONFERENCE ON ASEAN’S LONG-TERM ECONOMIC POTENTIAL AND VISION
On 20–21 November 2014, RSIS and NTU’s Economic Growth Centre organised a conference on “ASEAN’s Long-term Economic Potential and Vision”. Opened by Ambassador Ong Keng Yong, Executive Deputy Chairman of RSIS, the conference focused on the long-term potential and challenges of ASEAN economic integration. Twenty-three participants from the academic and policy communities, including Professor Masahiro Kawai, Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo; Naoyuki Yoshino, Dean, Asian Development Bank Institute; Professor Euston Quah, NTU’s Professor and Head of Economics and Director of its Economic Growth Centre; Professor Chia Siow Yue, Senior Research Fellow, Singapore Institute of International Affairs; and Dr. Stephen Grenville, RSIS’ visiting NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations; discussed strategic issues, including long-term aspirations, modalities for integration, institutional issues, progress in key pillars of the ASEAN Economic Community, and ASEAN centrality and its engagement with the rest of Asia.
RESEARCH
RSIS has five endowed professorships that were established to enable the School to engage renowned scholars in their respective fields to participate in its research and teaching activities and to share the scholars’ knowledge with the wider community through public lectures and seminars. The professorships are as follows:

◊ S. Rajaratnam Professorship in Strategic Studies
◊ National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) Professorship in International Economic Relations
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S. RAJARATNAM PROFESSORSHIP IN STRATEGIC STUDIES

The S. Rajaratnam Professorship in Strategic Studies at RSIS was inaugurated on 31 August 1998 to enable the School to invite distinguished scholars in Strategic Studies and related fields to participate in its activities. The professorship was established in honour of Mr. Sinnathamby Rajaratnam for his distinguished services to the nation.

Mr. Rajaratnam, born in 1915, was elected Member of Parliament for Kampung Glam in 1959 and continued to represent the constituency until his retirement in 1988. He became the Minister for Culture in 1959 and the Minister for Foreign Affairs in 1965 and in the latter capacity he took on a second portfolio as the Minister for Labour from 1968 to 1971. He became Second Deputy Prime Minister (Foreign Affairs) in 1980, after which he was appointed Senior Minister until his retirement. He passed away in 2006.

The S. Rajaratnam Professorship in Strategic Studies is made possible by a $2.6 million fund (excluding a matching grant from the Singapore Government) raised by the Fund Raising Committee chaired by Mr. S. Chandra Das, former Member of Parliament for Cheng San Group Representative Constituency (1980–1996). Income generated from the invested endowment funds is used to invite internationally renowned scholars to teach and research at the School. The S. Rajaratnam Professorship thus enables RSIS to increase its international linkages as well as benefit from the knowledge, experience and wisdom of eminent scholars appointed to the chair.

The scholar appointed to the prestigious S. Rajaratnam Chair in the period reviewed was Professor Andrew Hurrell, Montague Burton Professor of International Relations, Balliol College, Oxford University, from 3 to 18 January 2014.
NATIONAL TRADES UNION CONGRESS (NTUC) PROFESSORSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS

In 2007, the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) raised a total of $2.5 million, which, with additional funding from the Singapore Government and other sources, enabled RSIS to establish an endowed chair known as the NTUC Professorship in International Economic Relations. Set up in 1961, the NTUC is the national federation of trade unions in Singapore, whose basic aim is to safeguard and enhance the interests of workers.

Income from the endowment enables RSIS to appoint an NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations to provide leadership for the School’s International Political Economy Programme. As such, besides possessing strong academic credentials, the holder of the chair will have policy experience working in multilateral institutions such as the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank and the World Trade Organization, as well as in government ministries responsible for policy formulation in international trade, investments and finance. He or she will also be familiar with increasingly important entities such as hedge funds, private equities, petrodollars and sovereign wealth funds.

The scholar who held this prestigious NTUC Chair in 2014 was Dr. Stephen Grenville, Non-Resident Fellow at The Lowy Institute for International Policy, Australia, from 1 to 30 November 2014. Dr. Grenville was the former Deputy Governor and Board Member of the Reserve Bank of Australia.

NGEE ANN KONGSI PROFESSORSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in International Relations was established on 27 November 2007 through a donation of $3 million from Ngee Ann Kongsi and a matching grant from the Singapore Government. Income from the endowment is used to engage renowned scholars in International Relations to teach and research at RSIS.

Ngee Ann Kongsi has a long history of promoting education in Singapore and Nanyang Technological University has benefited from its many generous donations. The University’s association with Ngee Ann Kongsi began in the 1990s when the kongsi donated $1 million to the Chinese Heritage Centre located in the University. In 2005, Ngee Ann Kongsi also donated $1.5 million to set up the Ngee Ann Kongsi Professorship in Traditional Chinese Medicine to help develop the University’s expertise in traditional Chinese medicine. Besides these, it has also awarded many scholarships and bursaries to students at NTU over the years.

The scholar appointed to this prestigious Ngee Ann Kongsi Chair in 2013 was Professor T. V. Paul, James McGill Professor of International Relations, Department of Political Science, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, from 2 to 16 August 2014.

BAKRIE PROFESSORSHIP IN SOUTHEAST ASIA POLICY

The Bakrie Professorship in Southeast Asia Policy was launched on 18 November 2010 at the Chinese Heritage Centre in Nanyang Technological University. Established to deepen knowledge of the region and its largest country, Indonesia, the professorship was made possible through a generous grant from the Bakrie Center Foundation of Indonesia, led by Mr.
Anindya Novyan Bakrie, and a matching grant from the Singapore Government. Its establishment is also in line with the donor’s belief in intellectual values and social responsibility and expectation of the chair holders’ commitment to advancing knowledge and deepening understanding of the domain they are appointed to. The Bakrie Professorship in Southeast Asia Policy at RSIS will be a prime anchor in providing insights into Southeast Asia policy. The chair holders are expected to mentor younger faculty members and research scholars, as well as serve as a beacon to attract and retain other illustrious academics with an interest in Southeast Asia.

The first scholar to hold this professorship is RSIS Distinguished Fellow, Ambassador Barry Desker. Appointed by Mr. Eddie Teo, Chairman of the RSIS Board of Governors, on 1 April 2011 when he was then Dean of the School, Ambassador Desker continues to hold the Bakrie Chair concurrently and in an honorary capacity.

PETER LIM PROFESSORSHIP IN PEACE STUDIES
The Peter Lim Professorship in Peace Studies was launched on 9 June 2014 during the inauguration of RSIS’ Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme. The professorship was established through a generous gift of $3 million from Mr. Peter Lim and a matching grant from the Singapore Government.

Mr. Lim, a well-known Singaporean philanthropist, hopes that his donation can bring together distinguished scholars and thought leaders to study how Singapore can further preserve and promote the existing harmonious relations amongst its different communities, so that the nation can continue to enjoy peace and harmony. The endowment will enable the SRP to appoint a professor who can lead the programme in researching and in teaching Peace Studies.
Visiting scholars play an important role in RSIS’ research agenda. Besides scholars appointed to the School’s endowed professorships, RSIS also has a Visiting Programme to enable local and overseas scholars to do research at the School for periods varying from one month to a year. Visiting scholars contribute to the intellectual life in RSIS by providing faculty and research staff with additional perspectives and insights through informal exchanges at in-house seminars.

VISITING SCHOLARS WHO SPENT TIME AT RSIS IN 2014

Lieutenant Colonel Guillaume Nicolas BEAURPERE  
Fellow, U.S. Army War College  
Visiting Fellow in the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, RSIS  

Professor The Honourable Bob CARR  
Director of the Australia-China Relations Institute at the University of Technology, Sydney  
Distinguished Visiting Fellow, RSIS  
28 September – 31 October 2014

Dr. Gerard CHALIAND  
Former Director, European Center for the Study of Conflicts (Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique), Paris  
Visiting Professor in the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, RSIS  
21 July 2014 – 6 August 2014

Professor Ian CLARK  
Professor of International Relations, University of Queensland  
Visiting Professor, RSIS  
3 March 2014 – 4 June 2014; 29 September 2014 – 3 October 2014

Dr. DASGUPTA Sumona  
Senior Research Consultant, Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA)  
Visiting Fellow in the South Asia Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS  
2 January 2014 – 1 April 2014

Dr. Peter Joseph DOMBROWSKI  
Professor of Strategy, U. S. Naval War College  
Visiting Fellow in the Military Transformations Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS  
4–22 March 2014

Mr. Yasutomo EGASHIRA  
Official, Defence Intelligence Division, Defence Policy Bureau, Ministry of Defence, Japan  
Visiting Fellow in the Multilateralism and Regionalism Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS  
2 July 2014 – 28 February 2015
Sir Jonathan EVANS KCB
Independent Non-Executive Director, Chairman of the Financial System, Vulnerabilities Committee and Member of the Conduct & Values Committee at HSBC
Distinguished Visiting Fellow in the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS
10–14 November 2014

Dr. FENG Huiyun
Assistant Professor, Utah State University
Visiting Senior Fellow in the China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
1 May 2014 – 1 August 2014

Dr. Ian Cameron FORSYTH
Senior Analyst, Booz Allen Hamilton Inc.
Visiting Fellow in the Military Transformations Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
8–30 November 2014

Mr. GAO Yuan
Ph.D. Candidate, Xiamen University
Visiting Scholar in the China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
18 August 2014 – 15 December 2014

Dr. Stephen GRENVILLE
Non-Resident Fellow, The Lowy Institute for International Policy, Sydney
NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations, RSIS
1–30 November 2014

Mr. HAN Feng
Scholar, National Institute of International Strategy, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences
Visiting Fellow in the China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
30 October 2014 – 25 January 2015

Professor Stephen E. FLYNN
Professor of Political Science and the Founding Director of the Center for Resilience Studies at Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts
Distinguished Visiting Fellow in the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS
6–18 April 2014

Professor Sir Lawrence FREEDMAN
Professor of War Studies, King’s College London; S. T. Lee Distinguished Speaker, RSIS
9–12 September 2014
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Professor Mark JUERGENSMEYER
Director, Orfalea Center for Global and International Studies,
Professor of Sociology and Global Studies and
Affiliate Professor of Religious Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara
Distinguished Visiting Fellow in the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS
19–24 January 2014

Mr. IISGINDARSAH
Researcher, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, Indonesia
Visiting Researcher in the Indonesia Programme,
Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
22 January 2014 – 1 April 2014

Dr. LEE Sang Ok
Deputy Director, Ministry of National Defence, South Korea
Visiting Fellow in the Military Studies Programme,
Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
22 September 2014 – 21 September 2015

Dr. Oliver Wendell MARKLEY
Professor Emeritus, University of Houston-Clear Lake
Visiting Fellow in the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS
1 March 2014 – 7 June 2014

Lieutenant General Prakash MENON
Visiting Senior Fellow in the South Asia Programme,
Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
7–28 October 2014

Dr. Greg MILLS
Director, Brenthurst Foundation, Johannesburg, South Africa
Visiting Senior Fellow, RSIS
6 August – 5 October 2014

Professor T. V. PAUL
James McGill Professor of International Relations,
Department of Political Science, McGill University, Montreal, Canada
Nghee Ann Kongsi Professor of International Relations, RSIS
2–16 August 2014

Professor Robert S. ROSS
Professor of Political Science, Boston College; and Associate, John King Fairbank Centre for Chinese Studies, Harvard University
Distinguished Speakers Programme
6–11 October 2014

The Honourable Mr. Andrew Shapiro
Founder and Managing Director, Beacon Global Strategies LLC
Distinguished Speakers Programme, RSIS
8–14 February 2014

Professor Emeritus Alex P. SCHMID
Research Fellow, International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT), The Hague;
Director, Terrorism Research Initiative (TRI), Vienna
Distinguished Visiting Fellow in the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS
27–31 October 2014

Dr. Benjamin SCHREER
Senior Analyst Defence Strategy, Australian Strategic Policy Institute
Visiting Fellow in the Military Transformations Programme,
Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
1 December 2014 – 9 January 2015

Professor Stephen SLOAN
Distinguished Fellow, Office of Global Perspective,
The University of Southern Florida; Professor Emeritus, University of Oklahoma
Visiting Professor in the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS
22 September – 8 October 2014
Dr. SUN Wei  
Teacher, Jilin University, China  
Visiting Fellow in the China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS  
30 September 2013 – 22 September 2014

Professor Geoffrey TILL  
Director, Corbett Centre for Maritime Policy Studies, King's College, London  
Visiting Professor in the Maritime Security Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS  
27 October 2014 – 11 March 2015

Ms. WANG Limin  
Ph.D. Candidate, Xiamen University, China  
Visiting Scholar in the China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS  
8 September – 31 December 2014

Lieutenant Colonel Douglas Rex WOODALL  
Fellow, U.S. Army War College  
Visiting Fellow in the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, RSIS  
8 July 2013 – 29 May 2014

Professor ZHU Feng  
CEAP Visiting Fellow of the Brookings Institution; Professor of School of International Studies, Peking University; and Executive Director of China Center for Collaborative Innovation of the South China Sea Studies, Nanjing University  
Distinguished Speakers Programme, RSIS  
3–8 March 2014
RSIS faculty and researchers conduct both academic and policy-oriented research on international security issues that affect Southeast Asia and the Asia Pacific regions, in the context of major developments and shifts in the international system. This report covers research conducted by the following centres and programmes of RSIS in 2014:

◊ Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies  
◊ International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research  
◊ Centre of Excellence for National Security  
◊ Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies  
◊ Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations  
◊ Centre for Multilateralism Studies  
◊ International Political Economy Programme  
◊ Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies Programme

INSTITUTE OF DEFENCE AND STRATEGIC STUDIES

The Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (IDSS) comprises five country/area-specific programmes (China, Indonesia, Malaysia, the United States and South Asia) and four functional programmes (Maritime Security, Military Studies, Military Transformations, and Multilateralism and Regionalism).

In 2013–2014, the Institute’s research agenda—typically diverse given its various programmes—sought to cross-cut among those programmes by bringing a range of expertise to bear on three clusters of issues. The first involved the socio-political, economic and foreign/security policy trajectories over the next 5–10 years of major powers such as China, India and the United States as well as Singapore’s closest neighbours, Indonesia and Malaysia. The second focused on relations among Southeast Asian countries and the development of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the ASEAN-led regional security architecture over the next 5–10 years. The third and final cluster centred on the evolution of global energy, demographic and strategic profiles over the next 10–20 years.

During the year, IDSS continued with the implementation of the USD500,000 MacArthur Foundation grant awarded for the project “Sources of Strategic Stability in Asia”. The grant, which ran from 2013 to 2014, facilitated research on bilateral relations between major and regional powers, strategic dynamics in Asia’s maritime domain, and the emergence of critical military technologies and its ramifications for the Asian region—all against the backdrop of China’s rise and the United States’ “rebalance” to the Asian region. The grant’s research deliverables are currently in print. IDSS was also the implementing agency that convened the 2014 edition of the RSIS Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO) held on Sentosa on 4–10 August.

In research, IDSS faculty published the following books during the course of the year: *India’s Military Modernization: Challenges and Prospects* by Oxford University Press; *New Dynamics in US-China Relations: Contending for the Asia-Pacific* by Routledge; *Emerging Critical Technologies and their Impact on...*
Asia-Pacific Security by Palgrave; and Malaysia’s Defeat of Armed Communism: Securing the Population from Subversion in the Second Emergency 1968–1981 by Routledge. The Institute was also responsible for a special issue of the leading refereed journal, Armed Forces & Society, which was dedicated to the study of “Small Wars in the New Millennium”. Faculty and researchers also successfully placed articles—multiple, in some instances—in the following refereed journals: Armed Forces & Society, Security Studies, The Pacific Review, Journal of Contemporary China, Indonesia, and Global Asia.

IDSS also produced a sizeable number of monographs, briefs, reports, working papers and op-ed commentaries, mostly through RSIS but also through international outlets. These covered topics as diverse as China’s view of America’s Asian alliances; China-EU security relations; Chinese views of China’s foreign policy “assertiveness”; India’s nuclear deterrent and its role as a security provider; reform of India’s national security system; India-Europe defence industrial cooperation; India-Singapore relations; Japan and South Korea’s views on regional security and the ASEAN-based regional architecture; Malaysia’s socioeconomic challenges; maritime hotlines in Asia; nuclear deterrence; East China Sea and South China Sea disputes; and, the United States’ growing security partnerships with Asian countries. The Institute also dedicated a number of studies on Indonesia’s 2014 presidential election and post-election developments, covering issues such as youth voters in Indonesia; the Democratic Party Convention; corruption, the media and political parties in Indonesia; expectations for the Joko Widodo presidency; and, the TNI’s arms procurement policy.

A number of international conferences were convened. In March, three meetings were held: first, in partnership with the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA), the Institute’s Maritime Security Programme organised a workshop (in Mauritius) on strategic stability in the Indian Ocean; second,
the Military Transformations Programme organised a conference on information and cyber warfare; and third, the China Programme hosted a workshop on China's economic statecraft. In April, as the secretariat for the Track II Network of ASEAN Defence and Security Institutions (NADI)—the non-official or Track 2 complement of the ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting (ADMM) process—the Institute, acting on behalf of the RSIS, supported Myanmar when it organised the annual meeting of NADI in Naypyidaw. In September, the Multilateralism and Regional Programme convened a roundtable on the impact of Sino-Japanese competition on Southeast Asia and ASEAN. In October, in partnership with the SAF-NTU Academy, the Military Studies Programme organised the Goh Keng Swee Command and Staff College Seminar 2014 at the SAFTI Military Institute, while the South Asia Programme hosted a conference on India-Singapore strategic and defence ties. Finally, in November, the China Programme hosted a conference on new trends in Chinese foreign policy.

Beyond the regular involvement of IDSS staff in RSIS graduate education, the Institute acted as a service provider of capacity building for various clients. For example, in partnership with the SAFTI Military Institute and the SAF-NTU Academy, the Military Studies Programme contributed significantly to the academic and executive education of Singapore Armed Forces personnel through the Command and Staff Course, Senior Commanders Course, Tri-Service Warfighters Course, Warrant Officer Course, and the Undergraduate Professional Military Education and Training (UGPMET) Programme. In partnership with the Republic of Singapore Navy, the Maritime Security Programme conducted the Regional Maritime Security Practitioner Course.

In 2014, the Institute hosted the following eminent visitors: Lieutenant-General (Ret.) Prakash Menon, former Military Advisor to the Government of India; General Dr. Moeldoko, the Commander-in-Chief of the Indonesian National Defence Forces; General (Ret.) Luhut Pandjaitan, Senior Advisor to President-elect Joko Widodo; Professor Robert Ross of Boston College, U.S.; and, Dr. Peter Dombrowski of the U.S. Naval War College.

Going forward, as part of its effort to facilitate a more holistic approach to its research, IDSS will effect a restructure of the issue domains of its existing research programmes into three broad programmes. They include: (i) a combined Malaysia-Indonesia Programme, which will comprise the research domains currently
covered by the Malaysia and Indonesia programmes; (ii) an Asia Pacific Programme, which will comprise the research domains currently covered by the Multilateralism and Regionalism, the United States, China and South Asia programmes; and, (iii) a Military and Security Programme, which will comprise the research domains currently covered by the Maritime Security and Military Transformations programmes. The Military and Security Programme will also host new and emerging research domains, with cybersecurity and humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) the likely latest additions.

INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM RESEARCH
Celebrating its tenth year as a centre, the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism (ICPVTR) continues to be a leading specialist on counter-terrorism and rehabilitation. Led by Professor Rohan Gunaratna, the centre endeavours to reduce the threat of politically motivated violence and mitigate its effects on the international system. Attuned with the evolving threat landscape, the centre provides relevant training and outreach programmes domestically and internationally. Through these engagements, the centre establishes new avenues for partnerships and collaboration while strengthening existing networks.

A key milestone of 2014 was the ICITAP-ICPVTR Southeast Asia Regional Prisons Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Project held on 6–10 October 2014. Co-organised with the International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Programme (ICITAP), the five-day event aimed at sharing
with participants through lectures and field visits the changing terrorism threat landscape and strategies to mitigate the threat. Participants included directors and chief superintendents from Indonesia and the Philippines who felt that they had greatly benefited from the course.

In its global outreach, ICPVTR conducted numerous overseas workshops in countries abroad, including the Philippines and Bangladesh. On 12–13 February 2014, it conducted the third workshop on rehabilitation in Manila, Philippines. The participants of this workshop were primarily members of the Salam Engagement Group Philippines Inc. (SEGP), which consisted of a group of volunteer Muslim clerics. Notably, ICPVTR played a significant role in the founding of the SEGP in late 2013.

Similarly, the centre conducted two workshops in Dhaka, Bangladesh, on 20–26 April 2014. The first workshop, entitled “Responding to Terrorism: Alternative Approaches”, brought together counter-terrorism professionals from various intelligence and law enforcement agencies. Inaugurated by Mr. Hassan Mahmood Khandker, the Inspector General of Bangladesh Police, participants of the workshop greatly benefited from the in-depth discussions on counter-terrorism measures. In the second workshop, ICPVTR shared insights on custodial rehabilitation and prison management of terrorist detainees with senior prison officials.

As part of the UNICRI-led Yemen Steering Committee for Rehabilitation/Reintegration Efforts, the centre is assisting in the establishment of programmes to facilitate rehabilitation and reintegration efforts. ICPVTR has also been invited by the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate to join its research network.

Another key milestone in the year was the annual Terrorism Analyst Training Course (TATC) held...
on 13–24 January 2014. In its seventh year, the course contributed to the professional development of local and foreign law enforcement and security personnel. Participants came from Bangladesh, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, the Maldives, Nigeria, the Philippines, and Singapore’s defence and home affairs ministries. This year, participants greatly benefited from lectures delivered by Professor Mark Juergensmeyer, Director of the Orfalea Center for Global and International Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, U.S.; Mr. Aviv Oreg, a veteran officer of the Israeli Intelligence community; Mr. Mohd Zaini Bin Mohd Akhir, Superintendent of Police attached to the Special Task Force of the Royal Malaysia Police; and Mr. Angelo Bani, formerly from Interpol and currently Security Advisor, Security Affairs, World Economic Forum. This training course aimed to strengthen the vital networks between counter-terrorism academics and practitioners.

The U.S. Army War College’s Senior Service College Fellowship to ICPVTR is in its second year, demonstrating the centre’s close ties with the U.S. Army War College. This year, ICPVTR welcomed U.S. Army Fellow Lt. Col. Guillaume Beaurpere, who served in various Special Operations command and staff positions with operational experience in Africa and the Middle East, including Iraq. Prior to his fellowship in ICPVTR, he served as a military assistant to the Honourable John M. McHugh, the 21st Secretary of the U.S. Army.

ICPVTR’s outreach encompasses significant publications both in print and online. Notable publications by centre staff during the year include *The Father of Jihad: 'Abd Allah 'Azzam's Jihad Ideas and Implications to National Security* by Muhammad Haniff Hassan published by Imperial College Press; *The Roots of Religious Extremism: Understanding the Salafi Doctrine of Al-Wala' wal Bara* by Mohamed Bin Ali published by Imperial College Press; and *Afghanistan on the Precipice* by Rohan Gunaratna and Douglas Woodall, published by Rowman & Littlefield. Additionally, ICPVTR’s monthly online publication, *Counter Terrorist Trends and Analysis* (CTTA), has over 11,000 subscribers and sees a continually growing readership.

Over the course of the year, ICPVTR has briefed a wide spectrum of visitors from various governments, the security and intelligence community worldwide, academia and the private sector. Mr. David Cohen, Deputy Commissioner for Intelligence (Ret.) of the New York Police Department, visited RSIS/ICPVTR on a distinguished fellowship. ICPVTR also hosted more than 90 visits from individuals and groups in 2014. High-profile individuals included Her Excellency Mrs. Bernadette Cavanagh, High Commissioner of New Zealand High Commission in Singapore; Ambassador Sven Håkan Oskar Jevrell, Swedish Ambassador to Singapore; Professor T. V. Paul, McGill University; Professor Ali Fayez Al-Jahny, Vice-President (Academic Affairs) Naif Arab University for Security Studies; Ms. Sidney Jones, Director, Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict; Mr. John Rendon, Chief Executive Officer, Rendon Group; RADM Paul Becker, Director for Intelligence, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Mr. Matthew Foster, Federal Bureau of Investigations; Mr. Suresh Jangu, Assistant Director, National Security Council Secretariat, Prime Minister’s Office, Government of India; and COL Jeremiah Maroko, Defence Advisor, Kenya High Commission, New Delhi, India.

The centre also welcomed delegations from the Singapore Ministry of Defence, the French Embassy, Myanmar Peace Centre and Bangladesh Police. Additionally, ICPVTR received expert scholars from top universities around the world and numerous highly qualified visiting researchers from countries such as United Arab Emirates, Australia, Indonesia, Italy, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and the United States.
CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

The Centre of Excellence for National Security (CENS) successfully spearheaded a number of events, produced high-quality publications and participated productively in important conferences abroad throughout 2014.

The centre’s flagship event, the Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers (APPSNO) was held in April 2014, while workshops on cybersecurity, online radicalisation and social media were conducted during the remaining half of the year. On 6–11 April, the eighth edition of APPSNO served as a platform for homeland security practitioners and experts from different parts of the globe to discuss the theme “The Challenge of Systemic Resilience for National Security”. On 3–4 July, the workshop on “Confidence Building Measures and Norms for Cybersecurity and the Future of Internet Governance” brought together researchers, analysts and policymakers, and gave them the opportunity to both acquire and express ideas on the relevant issue of cyber-war. The momentum on tackling internet-related issues continued with the workshops on “Extremism and Terrorism Online: A Multidisciplinary Examination on Current Trends and Challenges” held on 13–14 October and “Emerging Trends in the Social Media Domain: Perceptions, Behaviours, Communication and Governance” conducted on 27–28 November.

A year of significant seminars kick-started with Distinguished Visiting Fellow Professor Mark Juergensmeyer’s lectures on “Is Religion Inherently Violent?”, “How Interfaith Dialogue Can Effectively Promote Religious Harmony in a Multicultural Society”, and “Effective Ways of Countering Religious Extremism” in January. Professor Steve Flynn, Professor Alex Schmid and Sir Jonathan Evans, also Distinguished Visiting Fellows hosted by CENS, led seminars in April, October and November, respectively. Professor Flynn spoke on “Mastering Crisis Communications in the Fast-Moving Social Media Age: Lessons Learned for Practitioners”, “Balancing Security and Liberty in a Wikileaks Age: Some Personal Reflections” and “Community Resilience in a Disaster: What it Looks Like, How to Promote It?”, while Professor Schmid shared his ideas on “Emerging Trends in Terrorism Studies”, “Radicalism or Extrem-

On publications, CENS has been prolific in producing commentaries, journal articles and book chapters. Associate Professor Kumar Ramakrishna’s “From ‘Old’ to ‘New’ Terrorism: History, Current Trends and Future Prospects” was published in Palgrave Macmillan’s The Handbook of Security while his “The Police Must be Part of the People and the People Part of the Police: Policing in the Malayan Emergency” was included in Policing Insurgencies: Cops as Counterinsurgents, published by the Oxford University Press. In addition, Ramakrishna’s book Islamist Terrorism and Militancy in Indonesia: The Power of the Manichean Mindset was published by Springer. Norman Vasu’s “Singapore in 2013: The Times, They are a-Changin’” was included in Southeast Asian Affairs 2014. His article “Narratives and Governance: The Eroding Corporatist Narrative of Governance in Singapore”, co-written with Damien D. Cheong, was published in the Journal of Comparative Asian Development. Cheong also contributed to Stable States: Rethinking Social Cohesion and Good Governance, published by the Ministry of Interior, Austria. Caitríona H. Heinl’s “Regional Cybersecurity: Moving Toward a Resilient ASEAN Cybersecurity Regime” was published in Asia Policy and Joseph Franco’s “Self-Reliant Defense and People-Centered Security” was included in Security Sector Reform: Modern Defense Force Philippines. Navhat Nuraniyah’s commentaries were published in The Straits Times, Jakarta Post and Eurasia Review.

Headed by Associate Professor Mely Caballero-Anthony, the Centre for Non-Traditional Security (NTS) Studies leads research in the areas of (i) climate change, resilience and sustainable development; (ii) energy security; (iii) food security; (iv) health security; (v) peace, human security and development; and (vi) water security. During the year, the centre focused specifically on projects related to the themes of water security, food security, community resilience, trafficking in persons, nuclear energy, climate diplomacy and activities under the ASEAN-Canada Research Partnership.

With regard to water security, the centre, together with Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU), Japan, co-hosted a workshop on “Mitigating Freshwater Conflicts: Harnessing Avenues for Cooperation” in Singapore on 25–26 February 2014. The interdisciplinary workshop explored key water security challenges to promote cooperation and deter existing and potential conflicts around this essential natural resource. Case studies and examples of both conflict and cooperation from East, Southeast, South and West Asia were examined.

In the area of food security, the centre deepened its research on developing greater resilience in the Singapore and regional food systems under its three projects of “The Impact of Climate Change on ASEAN Food Security”, “The ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) and Food Security” and “Developing a Dynamic Model of Food Availability for Singapore”. The centre also organised its largest conference of the year in August, The 2nd International Conference on Asian Food Security (ICAFS). A high-level global dialogue that focused on food security issues in Asia, ICAFS 2014, brought together key stakeholders in the food landscape, including farmers, manufacturers, food companies, international organisations, NGOs, government policymakers and academics. The event featured prominent speakers from the Asian Development Bank (ADB), IFPRI (International Food Policy Research Institute) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), among others.
The topic of community resilience was explored in a workshop on “Community Resilience and Human Security: From Complex Humanitarian Emergencies to Sustainable Peace and Development” on 10–11 April 2014. It was an opportunity to study ways in which community-based initiatives enhanced resilience to complex humanitarian emergencies due to conflict and disasters and contributed to long-term sustainable development. Key areas of discussion included the framework of community resilience and human security, the enabling dynamics of housing infrastructure and urban planning for communities, and urban resilience elements of public transport systems and infrastructure.

With regard to trafficking in persons, the centre and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) hosted a consultative roundtable on the “Humanitarian Dimension and Protection Aspects of Trafficking in Persons (TIPs)” on 26–27 June to support and further advance current protection initiatives and activities for victims of TIP in the region. Apart from identifying the unmet needs of victims of TIP, the roundtable also shared country experiences, approaches, lessons learned and best practices in response to the protection needs of victims of trafficking, with the goal to further contribute to regional norms that can influence national and regional policies on the protection of victims of TIP.

The MEWR-supported project, “The Sustainability of Nuclear Energy in Southeast Asia: Opportunities and Challenges”, analysed the renewed interest in the civilian use of nuclear energy as a policy option in Southeast Asia. It focused on the recent developments in the energy industry in the region, and assessed the capacity of Vietnam, Indonesia and Malaysia to develop nuclear power plants as well as the prospects and challenges to effectively govern with security, safety and safeguards in place. It then looked at implications of these developments for Singapore.

The centre co-organised a series of events on climate diplomacy with the German Embassy in November. Under the theme “Securing Our Environmental Future: Bringing Sustainable Development Back In”, a keynote public lecture and a policy roundtable were organised to contribute to the wider conversation on sustainable development in Southeast Asia.

As part of its activities for the ASEAN-Canada Research Partnership supported by the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada, the centre organised the second ASEAN-Canada Forum on “Natural Resource Management for Sustainable Growth” in July in Singapore. The forum provided a space for senior and junior fellows of the partnership to discuss their research with Track I and Track II officials. It also facilitated discussions on key regional and bilateral issues. The centre then co-organised in August a writing workshop for junior fellows. This gave fellows the opportunity to further refine their research papers for publication.
Looking ahead, the centre will continue its projects on food security and activities under the ASEAN-Canada Research Partnership. It will also kickstart research on the impact of climate change on vector- and water-borne diseases in the ASEAN region and the implications for Singapore.

**TEMASEK FOUNDATION CENTRE FOR TRADE & NEGOTIATIONS**

The Temasek Foundation Centre for Trade & Negotiations (TFCTN) was formally launched in October 2008, following a generous initial donation from the Temasek Foundation. It is dedicated to improving the process of international negotiations, with a particular focus on increasing capabilities and access for developing states. The centre uses rigorous empirical research to create new ideas and generate informed debate leading to practical policy alternatives for improving global negotiations on trade and economic issues.

Over the last year, the centre had focused its research on the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) talks and on Global Value Chains (GVC). The findings of the research were published in numerous newspaper reports and journals. In addition, the centre received several invitations to present its findings on the TPP. These include invitations from the governments of Brunei, China, Chinese Taipei, the European Commission, Indonesia, Japan, Myanmar, the Philippines and Vietnam.

In the area of capacity building, TFCTN conducted the six-week long TFCTN Executive Programme for mid-level government officers. This executive programme provides government officials from developing countries in the region with the practical, interdisciplinary knowledge needed to effectively participate in international trade negotiations. The overall objective of the course was to assist regional states in
implementing WTO and FTA agreements domestically through training and to create a greater awareness of the rules of various trading regimes. This helps regional and local officials devise strategies to best meet the challenges of—and benefit from—global trade liberalisation and economic integration.

In addition to its executive programme, TFCTN also conducted customised training programmes for government officials and the business community in Singapore and overseas. In 2014, overseas workshops were conducted in Timor-Leste (February 2014) and Sri Lanka (May 2014).

CENTRE FOR MULTILATERALISM STUDIES
The Centre for Multilateralism Studies (CMS), in partnership with the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies and RSIS’ International Political Economy Programme, provided significant input to the High-Level Task Force on ASEAN Economic Integration (HLTF-EI) with a vision paper on the ASEAN Economic Community beyond 2015. The vision paper was presented to the HLTF-EI on 18 February in Yangon. Another key research accomplishment of CMS during the year was the RSIS Working Paper, *The Revival of the Silk Roads (Land Connectivity) in Asia*, co-authored by Associate Professor Pradumna B. Rana of RSIS and Assistant Professor Chia Wai Mun of NTU’s Economics Division. This paper assessed the prospect for enhanced economic connectivity between South Asia and East Asia. The research was presented in various fora, including in those in India, Nepal and China.

In partnership with the Asian Development Bank Institute and RSIS’ International Political Economy Programme, CMS organised a regional conference on “Trade in Value-added, Global Value Chains and Development Strategy”. Held on 6–8 May, the conference was for senior government officials from Central, South and Southeast Asian countries.

The centre, together with NTU’s Economic Growth Centre, also organised an academic conference on “ASEAN’s Long-term Economic Potential and Vision” on 20–21 November. The conference examined the following themes: (i) strategic issues within ASEAN including its long-term aspirations; (ii) modalities for ASEAN integration; (iii) institutional issues; (iv) progress in key pillars of the ASEAN Economic Com-
munity; and (v) ASEAN centrality and its engagement with the rest of Asia. The conference proceedings will be published as a special issue of the refereed journal, *Singapore Economic Review*.

Eminent visitors to CMS included Dr. Reza Siregar, Group Head and Lead Economist at the ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic Research Office (AMRO), who on 12 May delivered a lecture on AMRO’s role as an independent macroeconomic and financial surveillance unit for countries in the region and the challenges it faces in that regard. Other visitors to CMS contributed to the RSIS Seminar Series on International Political Economics Issues. They were Dr. Michael Plummer of the Johns Hopkins University’s School of Advanced International Studies who on 22 August delivered a lecture on ASEAN centrality and mega-regionalism in the Asia-Pacific region; and Dr. Parag Khana, Adjunct Professor at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, who on 26 September delivered a lecture on China’s supply chain grand strategy.

**INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMY PROGRAMME**

During the year, RSIS’ International Political Economy (IPE) faculty conducted research on the following topics:

◊ Regional economic integration (ASEAN, ASEAN+3, South Asia and East Asia)
◊ Global economic governance
◊ Foreign trade and investment
◊ Chinese economy

At the request of the High-Level Task Force on ASEAN Economic Integration (HLTF-EI), a number of IPE faculty, together with staff of the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies and RSIS’ Centre for Multilateralism Studies, prepared a vision paper on the ASEAN Economic Community beyond 2015.
The vision paper was presented to the HLTF-EI on 18 February in Yangon, which was much appreciated. Continuing its work on ASEAN economic integration, IPE faculty organised a joint conference on “ASEAN’s Long-term Economic Potential and Vision” with the Economic Growth Centre of Nanyang Technological University and RSIS’ Centre for Multilateralism Studies on 20–21 November. The conference had the participation of leading academics from Asia and Europe, and the Dean and staff of the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI). The output of the conference will be a Special Issue of the Singapore Economic Review and an edited book with World Scientific Publishing.

In partnership with the ADBI and RSIS’ Centre for Multilateralism Studies, the IPE Programme organised a regional conference on “Trade in Value-added, Global Value Chains and Development Strategy” on 6–8 May. IPE faculty also participated in various regional and international conferences where they presented papers, including the 12th International Conference on Thai Studies hosted by University of Sydney, Australia, on 22–24 April; and the Council of Councils 6th Regional Conference on “Managing the New Global Commons” in Ottawa, Canada, on 28–30 September.

In research, IPE faculty published articles in the Journal of Contemporary China, Journal of Asian Economics, Political Science Research and Methodology, Foreign Policy Forum, and Global Governance, and co-edited the book New Global Economic Architecture: The Asian Perspective published by Edward Elgar (London). IPE faculty also published a number of book chapters (including one on the Euro-zone crisis and connectivity in Asia), three RSIS working papers and one ADBI working paper. IPE faculty also published commentaries and op-eds in VoxEU.org, East Asia Forum, Business Times and New Straits Times, and gave interviews to international media such as Xinhua concerning Asian economic cooperation and the ASEAN Economic Community. Work on the Academic Research Fund (AcRF) Tier 1 research grant continued during the year, which will result in a book in 2015. The book proposal has been reviewed by Oxford University Press (India).

During the year, IPE faculty also won a new two-year AcRF research grant of $67,000 to conduct a study to analyse the impact of FTAs/mega-FTAs on Asia and third-party FTAs on Singapore.

It is also significant to report that the IPE Programme launched a new Seminar Series on International Political Economy Issues during the year. The seminars will focus on topics related to the needs of IPE students.

STUDIES IN INTER-RELIGIOUS RELATIONS IN PLURAL SOCIETIES PROGRAMME
The Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme was established at RSIS in September 2013, and was inaugurated by President Tony Tan Keng Yam on 9 June 2014. Its aims are to: (i) study various models of how communities adapt their religious life and evolve their religious doctrines to cope with the realities of living in plural societies; (ii) develop expertise in the study of inter-religious relations in plural societies, including their effective conflict resolution mechanisms; (ii) study models that facilitate peace and strengthen social ties; and (iv) enrich the academic and applied knowledge of inter-religious relations with a Singapore perspective within an Asian paradigm and global outlook.

At the inauguration, which was attended by more than 500 guests, the SRP announced the endowment gift of $3 million by philanthropist Mr. Peter Lim and a matching grant of $3 million by the Singapore Government for the establishment of the Peter Lim Professorship in Peace Studies. The $6 million endowment fund will allow RSIS to appoint a scholar to provide expertise in teaching and research for the SRP Programme.
The SRP Distinguished Lecture Programme was also launched at the inauguration, with Sheikh Dr. Ali Gomaa, the former Grand Mufti of Egypt and the current Chairman of Misr Al Khayr Foundation, delivering the inaugural lecture. Dr. Gomaa spoke on the theme “Reclaiming Our Common Humanity: Role of Religion Amidst Pluralism”. In his lecture, Dr. Gomaa called for the investment in honest dialogue across religions and cultures as a means to nurture a civilisation that thrived on diversity. Besides this lecture, the SRP also organised the inaugural SRP Seminar on 10 June 2014, which featured keynote speakers Professor Abdullah Saeed, University of Melbourne, and Archbishop Dr. Mouneer Hanna Anis, Bishop of the Episcopal/Anglican Diocese of Egypt, who spoke on the theme “Theological and Cultural Foundations for Positive Inter-Religious Relations”. There were also presentations by leaders and scholars from the Singapore Taoist Federation and the Singapore Buddhist Federation. During the panel discussion, the speakers were joined by Dr. Mohamed Fatris Bakaram, the Mufti of Singapore, and Right Reverend Dr. John Chew, the former Bishop of Singapore.

As part of the ongoing discourse programme, SRP also hosted Dr. Mustafa Ceric, Grand Mufti Emeritus of Bosnia-Herzegovina as its Distinguished Visiting Fellow in August 2014. Dr. Ceric delivered a series of lectures, including one at RSIS entitled “Lessons in Reconciliation and Peace-Building from Bosnia-Herzegovina”. In his lecture, Dr. Ceric shared the important lessons that could be learnt from the ongoing reconciliation process in Bosnia.

The SRP programme comprises three core components: education, research and community engagement. In education, it has offered its first module on “Violence and Peacebuilding in Islam and Other World Religions”, which is being taught by Dr. Mohamed Bin Ali in Academic Year 2014/2015. Under the SRP’s Community Access Programme, individuals could attend lectures delivered in the module as non-graduating students.

As for research, the SRP has embarked on several studies that fall under the following broad themes: (i) the formulation of a theoretical framework for inter-religious dialogue, discourse and relations in Singapore; (ii) an analysis of the management of inter-religious relations in Singapore in the last 50 years; (iii) a literature survey of the study of religion and inter-religious issues in Singapore; (iv) a documentation of the resources within religious traditions as practiced in Singapore for inter-religious dialogue; (v) a study of the sentiments of extreme religious exclusivism within religious communities; and (vi) a survey of the extent of availability of resources present in the different religious traditions to facilitate living in secular societies. SRP also introduced the Research Associate scheme to involve local domain specialists in its research work.
In community engagement, SRP staff visited the Trinity Theological College (TTC) in April 2014 to familiarise themselves with the postgraduate studies run by TTC and to explore opportunities for collaboration. The SRP also worked closely with religious bodies such as the Inter-Religious Organisation (IRO), Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (MUIS), National Council of Churches of Singapore (NCCS), Singapore Buddhist Federation (SBF), Singapore Taoist Federation (STF) and Hindu Endowment Board (HEB). Three public lectures were organised in collaboration with MUIS Academy. In January 2015, the SRP will be collaborating with the HEB to organise a public lecture on the Hindu perspective of inter-religious relations.

PUBLICATIONS
RSIS’ research activities have resulted in a variety of publications, including books, monographs, journal articles and policy papers. RSIS has several in-house publications: (i) a monograph series on projects carried out by staff and visiting research fellows and collaborating institutions; (ii) the RSIS Working Paper series that allows resident and visiting scholars to seek feedback on the initial draft of their research papers; (iii) RSIS Commentaries, offering timely analyses of major developments in regional and international affairs intended primarily for a policy audience; and (iv) Policy Papers and Policy Briefs, which analyse key policy issues and offer recommendations to policymakers and stakeholders. Besides these publications, RSIS faculty and researchers also actively publish in their own areas of interest and specialisation.

The publications of RSIS and RSIS staff members are listed in Annex A and Annex B, respectively.
EDUCATION
GRADUATE EDUCATION
Masters Programmes
In an increasingly competitive global graduate education market, RSIS has continued to attract highly qualified applicants with a wide range of educational, professional and cultural backgrounds. 198 Masters students from the following 30 countries are enrolled in RSIS M.Sc. programmes in AY2014/2015.

American  Czech  Indian  Norwegian  Sri Lankan
Austrian  Dutch  Indonesian  Omani  Swedish
British  Filipino  Italian  Polish  Swiss
Bruneian  French  Malaysian  Portuguese  Taiwanese
Canadian  Georgian  Maldivian  Romanian  Thai
Chinese  German  Myanmese  Singaporean  Vietnamese

Of the 198 students, 35% are Singaporean, 24% are Chinese, 9% are Indonesian and 6% are Indian. While the overall enrolment number has remained similar to that of AY2013/2014, the intake of new students this academic year has increased for the M.Sc. (Asian Studies), M.Sc. (International Relations) and M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) programmes whereas it decreased for the M.Sc. (International Political Economy) programme.

To ensure that student applications and admissions remain at robust levels, RSIS will continue to strengthen its marketing initiatives, including information-sharing sessions at RSIS, attendance of postgraduate education fairs, marketing visits to selected regional countries by RSIS faculty members, advertising on regional television channels, online and print advertising in local and international newspapers and magazines, advertising via social media as well as engaging relevant organisations to continue raising RSIS’ profile as a destination of choice for excellent professional education in the field of international affairs. RSIS will also be tapping on its alumni network to help promote our degree programmes. The overarching goal of these initiatives is to increase the number and quality of applications for AY2015/2016.

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|                      | 72       | 43       | 38       |
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It should be noted that the AY2014/2015 enrolment figures above also include four SAF-NTU students and the fourth cohort of nine students on the NTU-Warwick Double Masters Programme, joining as Year 2 students under the programme.

DOCTORAL PROGRAMME
Similarly to our Masters programmes, the RSIS Ph.D. programme has a diverse and cosmopolitan student body comprising 26 doctoral candidates. Thirteen nationalities are represented, including four candidates from Singapore, China and New Zealand who joined us in January and July 2014. Some of these students are integrated into both RSIS institutional and individual faculty research programmes, thus enriching their learning experience while also supporting a broad-based collegial research effort.

One of our doctoral candidates graduated in July 2014, raising the number of RSIS Ph.D. graduates to six. Seven other candidates have submitted their theses and are awaiting their final vivas. Almost all RSIS doctoral candidates have benefitted from competitive NTU Research Scholarships for a broad array of contemporary and relevant topics. Furthermore, two of our students were awarded the prestigious Nanyang President’s Graduate Scholarship, attesting to the high calibre of our Ph.D. cohort.

Associate Professor Ang Cheng Guan, Head of Graduate Studies, briefing the new students of Academic Year 2014/2015

RSIS M.Sc. students of Academic Year 2014/2015
OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Review of RSIS M.Sc. degree programmes – Eliot Cohen report on the M.Sc. (Strategic Studies)

With the aim of continuously improving our graduate programmes and upgrading our teaching, RSIS appointed Professor Eliot Cohen of the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, to undertake a comprehensive review of our M.Sc. (Strategic Studies). Professor Cohen visited RSIS on 6–10 January 2014, when he met with RSIS management, students and faculty members, and evaluated relevant records of the programme—including course curricula, teaching methods, assessment strategy, examination topics, student feedback, student numbers and alumni profiles—before submitting his report. A series of steps have already been taken in response to the recommendations of the report.

Establishment of RSIS Student and Alumni Affairs Office

The Graduate Programmes Office (GPO) has recently established the Student and Alumni Affairs Office, which will offer important career development and job search support to graduating Masters and doctoral students by developing governmental, corporate, NGO and academic partnerships to provide our students and alumni with relevant training, internships and full-time job opportunities. As part of its job search support initiatives, the Student and Alumni Affairs Office has just launched its “Career Talk” series, through which private and public sector organisations can come on campus to meet our students and share insights and career prospects relating to their respective industries. The career talks organised so far have involved the following organisations:

◊ Kroll
◊ Asia-Europe Foundation
◊ Channel NewsAsia
◊ International Committee of the Red Cross

Further to the work done by the Student and Alumni Affairs Office, RSIS students are now connected with our alumni via LinkedIn and various social events, including those organised by the RSIS Student Board and the RSIS Alumni Association, leading to networking opportunities for career development. Alumni are also invited to provide career mentorship for students, in addition to the career counselling services provided by the Student and Alumni Affairs Office in RSIS and the Career Affairs Office in NTU.

With the aim to better understand career outcomes for RSIS graduates as well as to enable the creation of better tailored career development activities, the RSIS Graduate Employment Survey will be launched early next year.

Launch of RSIS Alumni Association and RSIS Alumni Association (Indonesia)

Since the creation of IDSS in 1996 and the inauguration of the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies in 2007, more than 1,200 students from all over the globe have graduated from our degree programmes. To harness this significant global network and to better engage with and connect its alumni, it was timely for RSIS to finally launch its alumni association.

The GPO, via the Student and Alumni Affairs Office, worked with the NTU Alumni Affairs Office towards this goal. A group of dedicated alumni were elected to form the Executive Committee of the association with Phillip Kwang Yong Ee, Head of the International Relations Office, Ministry of Defence, as its president. Their proposal to form the association was endorsed by the NTU Alumni Affairs Office and approved by RSIS management. The RSIS Alumni Association was launched at the
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11th RSIS Alumni Dinner held on 22 August 2014 at InterContinental Singapore Hotel.

As part of our aims to facilitate networking within our global alumni community, the RSIS Alumni Association (Indonesia) was launched on 7 November 2014 in Jakarta.

Visiting Faculty
In AY2014/2015, RSIS hosted four visiting faculty members who taught courses in our M.Sc. (Strategic Studies) programme. They were Professor Ian Clark (S6039 – Ethics of War), Professor Geoffrey Till (S6031 – Globalisation, Maritime Security and Naval Development in the Asia-Pacific), Dr. Gerard Chaliand and Professor Stephen Sloan (S6024 – Problems in Combating Insurgency and Terrorism). We will continue to invite distinguished international scholars to teach at RSIS.

EXECUTIVE EDUCATION
Besides graduate education, RSIS is also actively involved in the teaching of executive programmes in the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF). RSIS’ role in the education of SAF officers goes back to 1999, when faculty members of its predecessor—the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies—were engaged to teach military history and geopolitics in courses conducted in the SAFTI Military Institute, the most important of which was the Command and Staff Course. The relationship between RSIS and SAFTI’s constituent schools culminated in an SAF-NTU Memorandum of Understanding in 2008, establishing RSIS firmly as the main source of officer education in strategic studies and military affairs in the SAF’s Continuing Education Master Programme. The modules taught by RSIS faculty in the Command and Staff Course and the Command and Staff Course (Executive) are accreditable modules should the students decide to pursue related post-graduate studies in NTU.

Another key component of military education is the Undergraduate Professional Military Education
and Training (UGPMET) programme, which is an accreditable module for young SAF officers at the local tertiary institutions. UGPMET aims to provide a strong foundation in the military arts and sciences before these young officers embark on their professional careers in the SAF. UGPMET, together with a wide spectrum of courses taught at SAFTI Military Institute for the professional development of both junior and senior officers, ensures that the SAF is kept at the forefront of education in strategic studies, military affairs and geopolitics. These executive programmes are taught primarily by the Military Studies Programme at RSIS.

On top of these, the Military Studies Programme also teaches short executive courses to officers in other government agencies. These courses usually focus on regional security, non-traditional security and international geopolitics.
RSIS M.Sc. Students of Academic Year 2014/2015

M.Sc. Class of 2014/2015 (Strategic Studies)

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RSIS M.Sc. Students of Academic Year 2014/2015

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47. Dr. Phillips Vermonte, Head, Department of Politics and International Relations, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, Indonesia; and Mr. Tobias Basuki, Researcher, Department of Politics and International Relations, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta, Indonesia, on “Electoral Behaviour in the 2014 Presidential Elections and Implications of the 2014 Legislative Elections”, 7 July 2014


50. Captain Justin Jones, RAN, Director of the Sea Power Centre, Australia, on “Navies and the Role of the Service Think Tanks in Track 1.5 Dialogues”, 17 July 2014
51. Roundtable by Mr. Yang Razali Kassim, Senior Fellow; Dr. Bilveer Singh, Adjunct Senior Fellow; Associate Professor Farish Noor; Ms. Jennifer Yang Hui, Associate Research Fellow; Mr. Jonathan Chen, Associate Research Fellow; Mr. Adri Wanto, Associate Research Fellow; and Mr. Adhi Priamarizki, Associate Research Fellow; on “Post-2014 Indonesian Presidential Election: Implications, Challenges and Opportunities”, 21 July 2014


53. Dr. Ahmed Salah Hashim, Associate Professor, Military Studies Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, on “The Evolution of ISIS: From Al-Qaeda Offshoot to Islamic Caliphate”, 22 July 2014

54. Mr. Apichai Sunchindah, Development Specialist and Former Executive Director of ASEAN Foundation, on “Transboundary Environmental Governance Issues in ASEAN: The Case of Mekong Water Management and Haze Pollution Control”, 23 July 2014

55. Dr. Kai He, Visiting Fellow, China Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS; and Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Utah State University; on “Prospect Theory and China’s Crisis Behaviour after the Cold War”, 23 July 2014

56. Roundtable Panel Discussion on “World War I 100th Anniversary Commemorative” by the Military Studies Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, on 25 July 2014

57. Professor Sumit Ganguly, Rabindranath Tagore Chair in Indian Cultures and Civilizations and Professor of Political Science, Indiana University, USA, on “How Will the India-Pakistan Rivalry End? A Comparative Perspective”, 29 July 2014

58. Roundtable with Professor Sumit Ganguly, Rabindranath Tagore Chair in Indian Cultures and Civilizations and Professor of Political Science, Indiana University, USA, on “Challenges and Optimal Strategies for Navigating the PhD Process”, 30 July 2014

59. Professor T. V. Paul, Ngee Ann Kongsi Professor of International Relations, RSIS; and James McGill Professor of International Relations, Department of Political Science, McGill University, Canada, on “Restraining Great Powers Through Institutions”, 4 August 2014

60. Mr. See Chak Mun, former Singapore Ambassador and former Senior Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore, on “Contemporary Developments in the International Trading System”, 5 August 2014

61. RSIS Roundtable with Professor Joseph Liow, Dr. Tan See Seng and Professor Pascal Vennesson on “Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Peer-Review Publishing in Academic Journals (But Were Afraid to Ask)”, 21 August 2014

62. Professor Michael Plummer, Director, SAIS Europe; Eni Professor of International Economics, The Johns Hopkins University; on “ASEAN Centrality and Mega-regionalism in the Asia Pacific”, 22 August 2014
63. Ambassador Rakesh Sood, Former Special Envoy for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, India, on “Afghanistan Post 2014 – Regional Implications and Beyond”, 25 August 2014

64. Dr. Sam Bateman, Advisor, Maritime Security Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, on “The Future Maritime Security Environment in Asia”, 26 August 2014

65. Dr. Mustafa Ceric, Grand Mufti Emeritus of Bosnia-Herzegovina, on “Lessons in Reconciliation and Peace-Building from Bosnia-Herzegovina”, 1 September 2014

66. Dr. Greg Mills, Visiting Senior Fellow, RSIS; and Director of the Brenthurst Foundation, on “Why States Fail: The African Experience”, 3 September 2014

67. Mr. Peh Shing Huei, News Editor, The Straits Times, on “When the Party Ends: China’s Leaps and Stumbles after the Beijing Olympics”, 17 September 2014

68. H.E. Suh Chung-ha, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea, on “ROK’s Foreign Policy: Challenges in the Evolving Geopolitical Landscape”, 25 September 2014

69. Dr. Parag Khanna, Adjunct Professor in the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore; Senior Fellow at the Singapore Institute of International Affairs; and Senior Fellow at the New America Foundation; on “China’s Supply Chain Grand Strategy”, 26 September 2014


71. Professor The Honourable Bob Carr, RSIS Distinguished Visiting Fellow; Director, Australia-China Relations Institute, University of Technology, Sydney; and former Minister for Foreign Affairs, Australia, on “Southeast Asia and Australia: Australia with ASEAN”, 1 October 2014

72. Dr. Manoj Joshi, Distinguished Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi, India, on “India’s Intelligence Agencies: Reform and Restructuring”, 2 October 2014
73. Professor Robert S. Ross, RSIS Distinguished Speaker; Professor of Political Science, Boston College; and Associate, John King Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University, on “Realism and the U.S.-China Power Transition”, 7 October 2014

74. Professor Stephen Sloan, Lawrence J. Chastang Distinguished Professor of Terrorism Studies, University of Central Florida; and Professor Emeritus at the University of Oklahoma, on “Understanding and Countering The Rapidly Evolving Threat of Terrorism: The Need for New Policies, Doctrine and Operational Capabilities”, 8 October 2014


76. Lieutenant General (Retired) Prakash Menon, Visiting Fellow, South Asia Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, on “Missing the Forest for the Trees: Professional Military Education in India”, 13 October 2014

77. RSIS Luncheon Seminar by Dr. Farish A. Noor, on “Mapping and Power: Raffles’ Map of Java of 1817”, 14 October 2014

78. H.E. Philip Green, Australia’s High Commissioner to Singapore, on “Australia’s Foreign Policy and New Orientations and its Engagement with East Asia”, 14 October 2014

79. Dr. Richard Youngs, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and Professor of International Relations, Warwick University, on “The Impact of Crises in Europe on EU-Asia Relations”, 17 October 2014

80. Mr. David Harris, Executive Director, American Jewish Committee, on “Hope Versus Fear: Middle East in Turmoil”, 24 October 2014

81. Professor Emeritus Alex P. Schmid, CENS Distinguished Visiting Fellow, RSIS; Research Fellow of the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT); and Director of the Terrorism Research Initiative (TRI), The Hague, on “Emerging Trends in Terrorism Studies”, 27 October 2014

82. Professor Emeritus Alex P. Schmid, CENS Distinguished Visiting Fellow, RSIS; Research Fellow of the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT); and Director of the Terrorism Research Initiative (TRI), The Hague; on “Radicalism’ or ‘Extremism’: What’s in a Name?”, 29 October 2014

83. Professor The Honourable Bob Carr, RSIS Distinguished Visiting Fellow; Director, Australia-China Relations Institute, University of Technology, Sydney; and former Minister for Foreign Affairs, Australia; on “The Palestinians: The Case Strengthens”, 29 October 2014

84. Professor Emeritus Alex P. Schmid, CENS Distinguished Visiting Fellow, RSIS; Research Fellow of the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT); and Director of the Terrorism Research Initiative (TRI), The Hague; on “Enhancing Collaboration between Governments and Universities for the Analysis of Terrorism”, 31 October 2014
85. Mr. Lim Siong Guan, Group President of the Singapore Government Investment Corporation; and former Head of the Singapore Civil Service, on “Leadership in the Civil Service and its Importance to Singapore’s Continued Success”, 5 November 2014

86. Sir Jonathan Evans, CENS Distinguished Visiting Fellow; and Independent Non-Executive Director and Chairman of the Financial System, Vulnerabilities Committee and Member of the Conduct & Values Committee, HSBC, on “The Evolving National Security Threat Landscape – What it means for Homeland Security”, 10 November 2014

87. Ambassador Dr. Joergen Oerstroem Moeller, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), on “Eurozone Economic Recovery: Challenges and Prospects in the Coming Decade”, 12 November 2014

88. Sir Jonathan Evans, CENS Distinguished Visiting Fellow; and Independent Non-Executive Director and Chairman of the Financial System, Vulnerabilities Committee and Member of the Conduct & Values Committee, HSBC, on “Intelligence Analysis in the Digital Age – How do we Strike a Balance between Privacy and National Security Concerns?”, 12 November 2014

89. Dr. You Ji, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, East Asian Institute, on “Xi Jinping and the People’s Liberation Army”, 13 November 2014

90. Professor Evelyn Goh, Shedden Professor of Strategic Policy Studies, Australian National University; Associate Professor Ang Cheng Guan, Head of Graduate Studies, RSIS; and Associate Professor Ralf Emmers, Associate Dean, RSIS, on “Rising China’s Influence in Developing Asia”, 13 November 2014

91. Sir Jonathan Evans, CENS Distinguished Visiting Fellow; and Independent Non-Executive Director and Chairman of the Financial System, Vulnerabilities Committee and Member of the Conduct & Values Committee, HSBC, on “Coping with Emerging Cyber Threats – A Practitioner’s Perspective”, 14 November 2014

92. Mr. Aakash Jayaprakash, Public Policy Graduate Student, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore; and Founding Director, Migrant Support – Qatar, on “The Migrant Worker Experience in Qatar: Illicit Recruitment, Normalised Trafficking, and their Solutions”, 17 November 2014

93. Dr. Rodolfo Severino, Head, ASEAN Studies Institute, ISEAS, on “ASEAN Community in 2015: Challenges and Prospects”, 17 November 2014

95. RSIS Seminar by Mr. Wong Kan Seng, former Deputy Prime Minister; General Dr. Tito Karnavian, former Commander Detachment 88, Indonesia; Professor Rohan Gunaratna, Head of International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, RSIS; and Ms. Murugaian Nirmala, former Senior Writer, The Straits Times, on “The New Threat Landscape” and book launch of “Old War, New Methods”, 18 November 2014

96. RSIS-Leiden University CTC Roundtable on “Civil-Military Relations in Cyberspace”, 18-19 November 2014

97. Roundtable discussion with Mr. Boris Palmer, Lord Mayor of Tübingen, and Member of Green Party, Germany; Mr. Herbert Bautista, Mayor of Quezon City, Philippines, and Chairperson of the Executive Committee, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability, Southeast Asia; Dr. Suzanty Sitorus, Secretary, Finance Working Group, Indonesia National Council on Climate Change, Member, UNFCCC Standing Committee on Finance; and Dr. Jay Mariyappan, Managing Director, Sindicatum Group, Sindicatum Sustainable Resources, Singapore, on “Sustainable Development, Environmental Security and Climate Change”, 20 November 2014

98. Carl Miller, Research Director, Centre for the Analysis of Social Media (CASM), DEMOS, United Kingdom, on “Listening to Digital Voices: Social Media Research to Understand Attitudes”, 26 November 2014

99. RSIS Luncheon Seminar by Professor Rajesh Basrur, Professor of International Relations and Coordinator of the South Asia Programme, Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, on Subcontinental Drift: Domestic Politics and India’s External Security Policy”, 26 November 2014

100. OSIPP-RSIS Japan Seminar 2014 on “Understanding Japan’s Identity Issues”, 27 November 2014

101. Mr. Satvinder Singh, Assistant Chief Executive Officer of International Enterprise (IE) Singapore, on “Lens on the Future of Singapore’s External Economy”, 28 November 2014

102. Dr. Stephen Grenville, NTUC Professor of International Economic Relations, RSIS; and Non-Resident Fellow, Lowy Institute for International Policy, on “Capital Flows to Emerging Asia: QE and Beyond”, 28 November 2014

103. Captain J. Ashley Roach, Global Associate and Senior Visiting Scholar (2014), Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore, on “Arctic Legal Issues in the Context of Diplomacy – Challenges and Opportunities”, 1 December 2014

104. Dr. Alan Bollard, Executive Director, the APEC Secretariat, Singapore, on “APEC’s Role in East Asian Regional Development”, 3 December 2014

105. Ambassador Omar Saif Ghobash, United Arab Emirates Ambassador to Russia, on “Where is the Moderate Muslim?”, 11 December 2014
8TH ANNUAL TERRORISM ANALYST TRAINING COURSE (TATC), 12–23 JANUARY 2015
RSIS’ International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR) will organise TATC 2015, which brings together analysts and scholars on terrorism and security. In addition to exploring new frontiers in counter-terrorism research, analyses and practice, ICPVTR constantly aims to maintain and improve the professional competence and development of analysts. Covering four broad areas, namely Terrorism Primer, Global and Regional Threat Landscape, Counter-Terrorism Response, and Research and Methodology, this training course will strive to deliver a holistic perspective aimed at building the knowledge and capacity of analysts specialising in counter-terrorism.

NADI WORKSHOP ON NEW TRENDS IN TERRORISM: CHALLENGES AND RESPONSES, 27–28 JANUARY 2015
This Network of ASEAN Defence and Security Institutions (NADI) Workshop will provide the opportunity for NADI members to present their national structures for counter-terrorism, and their national approaches and strategies to respond to emerging terrorism trends. They will exchange views on the role of the militaries of ASEAN countries in boosting counter-terrorism efforts and consider ways to strengthen regional cooperation. The workshop will also consider recommending to the ADMM Track closer cooperation among ASEAN militaries through seminars and workshops to share experiences on plans, preparedness and the building of capacities so that they can be more effective in managing and responding to terrorism threats. RSIS’ core NADI team will be supported by the School’s International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research. This workshop is timely in view of the prevailing terrorism situation.

ROUNDTABLES ON SG50, FEBRUARY AND JUNE 2015
As part of the commemorative events for Singapore's 50th year of independence, the Military Studies Programme of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, will be hosting two roundtables based on the theme “Evolution of Singapore’s Security Environment” in 2015. The first roundtable, which will be held on 13 February to commemorate Total Defence Day (15 February), will have an internal focus on topics such as the development of nationhood, security infrastructure and strategic relations that strengthened Singapore’s ability to defend its own shores. The second roundtable, which will be held on 30 June to commemorate SAF Day (1 July), will have an external focus on topics such as the imperatives behind the building of Singapore’s strategic foreign relations, strategic defence relations with key partners, the evolving role of Singapore’s participation in coalition operations, and the implications of hot spots in the Asia Pacific region.

EAS SYMPOSIUM ON REHABILITATION AND SOCIAL REINTEGRATION, 16–17 APRIL 2015
This two-day East Asia Summit (EAS) symposium will be organised by RSIS’ International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR). The symposium will explore emergent key challenges that have impacted on the terrorism landscape as well as ongoing efforts at rehabilitation and social reintegration. Bringing together security and law enforcement officials, practitioners, psychologists, academics and community partners, the symposium will facilitate the sharing of expert knowledge, best practices and experiences by policymakers from the EAS countries, research academics and practitioners in the field of countering radicalisation.
GLOBAL WORKSHOP ON HUMANITARIAN CIVIL-MILITARY COORDINATION, APRIL 2015
This workshop will be jointly organised by the UN OCHA and the Ministry of Defence, Singapore, in collaboration with the RSIS’ Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies. It is one of the regional consultations to be held in 2015 in support of the 2016 World Humanitarian Summit. The aim of the workshop is to increase the effectiveness of civil-military coordination in natural-disaster response operations and humanitarian assistance in complex emergencies. The workshop will also address issues at the global level while seeking to improve regional, sub-regional and national humanitarian-military response coordination mechanisms as well as identify best practices along with operational steps to address the issues.

8TH ASIA PACIFIC PROGRAMME FOR SENIOR NATIONAL SECURITY OFFICERS (APPSNO): GLOCALISATION AND NATIONAL SECURITY, 3–8 MAY 2015
The theme for APPSNO 2015 is Glocalisation and National Security. The main thrust of the conference will be an attempt to understand how specific outcomes of globalisation have specific and particular national-security implications. Singapore has continually been a site for glocalisation. Singapore has had to contend with its unique multicultural complexion while balancing this with the challenge of its need to be a global city owing to stark economic and geopolitical realities. Hence, Singapore has had to continually meld universal influences with local flavours across domains ranging from community preparedness and multicultural resilience to national defence, counter-extremism and internal security.

2ND EXPERT MEETING ON CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT ON FOOD SECURITY, 14–15 MAY 2015
RSIS’ Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies will organise its second Expert Meeting on Climate Change Impact on Food Security. The presentations from experts will include topics like climate impacts on the production of commodities such as rice, maize, wheat, soybean, beef, pork, poultry, eggs and fish. Experts will come from leading research institutions from around the world such as the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT), World Fish Centre, and World Vegetable Centre. Experts specialising in selected food-production countries from regions like Southeast Asia to North and South America will also be participating.

4TH INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY CONFERENCE (IMSC 2015), 20 MAY 2015
To be jointly organised by the Maritime Security Programme of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, and the Republic of Singapore Navy, the IMSC series serves as a platform for top maritime leaders and stakeholders to come together for open discourse and to share perspectives on pertinent maritime security issues.
ICITAP-ICPVTR SOUTHEAST ASIA REGION COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM IN PRISONS WORKSHOP 2015, MAY 2015

Following a successful run in October 2014, the five-day workshop will be reprised in Singapore and will feature several topics related to countering violent extremism (CVE) in prisons, including (i) the Southeast Asia terrorist threat spectrum; (ii) ideological drivers of terrorism; (iii) radicalisation in prisons; (iv) terrorist management in prisons; (v) modes of rehabilitation; and (vi) the Rome Memorandum on Good Practices for Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Violent Extremist Offenders. The workshop will also include field visits.

REGIONAL MARSEC PRACTITIONER COURSE (RMPC 2015), JUNE 2015

This course will be jointly organised by the Maritime Security Programme of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, and the Republic of Singapore Navy. It brings together maritime security practitioners from Singapore, regional and extra-regional navies, as well as law enforcement agencies. It aims to foster interaction, networking and sharing of diverse perspectives.

CYBERSECURITY WORKSHOP ON EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES AND IMPLICATIONS, 20–21 JULY 2015

As technology evolves, cybersecurity issues inevitably change as well. This workshop that RSIS’ Centre of Excellence for National Security is organising will look at some of these emerging technologies, and discuss the regulatory, operational and governance implications that relate to cybersecurity. Additional areas of inquiry include international and regional cooperation, privacy and risk management.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON REPORTING MIGRATION, 28 JULY 2015

RSIS’ Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies, together with the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information, will be co-organising an international conference on Reporting Migration. Supported by the Temasek Foundation, the aim of the conference is to bring together journalists from across Asia to discuss and examine migration-related issues, which are considered as some of the important issues in Asia.

ASEAN-CANADA RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE ON REFLECTIONS ON ASEAN COMMUNITY 2015, AUGUST 2015

This conference is the culmination of the two-year ASEAN-Canada Research Partnership Programme, which was launched in 2012 by RSIS’ Centre for Non-Traditional Security (NTS) Studies and the Institute of Asian Research, University of British Columbia (UBC), with the support of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada. This research partnership aims to facilitate cooperation in research among Canadian and Southeast Asian scholars and institutions on regional and international challenges, with a particular focus on promoting regional cooperation to help foster the building of an ASEAN Community by 2015. The 2015 conference will showcase the research findings of selected Senior and Junior Fellows who had worked on thematic issues of regional economic integration and economic inequality, and on natural resource management for sustainable growth.
17TH ASIA PACIFIC PROGRAMME FOR SENIOR MILITARY OFFICERS (APPSMO), AUGUST 2015
This annual event will be organised by the Military Studies Programme of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS. Aimed at fostering trust and developing mutual understanding among military organisations in the region, the conference will, as usual, be held in August 2015. It will bring to Singapore an impressive group of senior military officers representing Asia, Oceania, North America and Europe to participate in an extensive series of academic seminars and group discussions, and to visit places of security interest. The theme for next year’s conference is “Beyond Stovepipes: Adopting the Whole of Government Approach to Security Challenges”. It will address questions and issues on the core roles of armed forces today and in the near future.

WORKSHOP ON GEOPOLITICAL, IDEOLOGICAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL TRENDS IN THE EVOLUTION OF TERRORISM: GLOBAL AND REGIONAL VIEWS, 21–22 SEPTEMBER 2015
Contemporary terrorism has adapted itself to technological innovations such as social media for recruitment and propaganda purposes. However, the narratives that underpin terrorist groups such as ISIS continue to rely on archaic and erroneous references to religion—to foster “us-versus-them” enmity. Through this workshop, the Centre of Excellence for National Security, RSIS, intends to explore trends regarding religiously inspired extremism, such as the role of apocalyptic narratives and the foreign terrorist fighter phenomenon. On the response side, the workshop will assess measures of effectiveness, and recommend possible counter-violent extremism initiatives for policy stakeholders.

GOH KENG SWEE COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE (GKS CSC) SEMINAR, OCTOBER 2015
The Military Studies Programme of the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, RSIS, will again drive the GKS CSC Seminar in 2015. This seminar will bring together academics to present on themes and topics aimed at developing the military professional. The seminar’s theme and programme will, as usual, be drawn up through consultation between RSIS, the SAF-NTU Academy and GKS CSC, reflecting the close partnership between the three institutions to broaden the professional horizons of the command and staff college students.

INTER-RELIGIOUS SYMPOSIUM 2015, OCTOBER 2015
This symposium will be a gathering of scholars, community and religious leaders, policymakers and practitioners from Singapore as well as across the region and globe for a discourse on the contextualisation of religion in contemporary plural societies. They will evaluate contemporary thoughts on promoting engagement among world religions, discuss ideas that contribute to minimising the threat of religious conflicts, propose strategies to enlarge the common space shared by religious communities, and share experiences in developing peace-building models. Studies on inter-religious relations within the local context, resources within religious traditions that promote harmonious inter-religious relations and impediments that weaken them will be presented by RSIS’ Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Society (SRP) Programme to set the backdrop for meaningful discussions.
WORKSHOP ON SOCIAL FAULT LINES AND SINGAPORE, 19–20 OCTOBER 2015
With ethnic and religious tension part of its early history, the maintenance of social harmony is an issue of concern for policymakers in Singapore. Recent incidences such as the Little India Riot as well as the constant online expression of anti-immigrant sentiment may perhaps indicate that new social fault lines are developing. The Social Resilience Programme at RSIS’ Centre of Excellence for National Security will organise this conference in order to discuss current and possible future social fault lines within the Singaporean society. Speakers from multi-disciplinary backgrounds will offer insights that will be of utility to both policymakers and researchers.

SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOP ON NEW THINKING IN COMMUNICATION AND GOVERNANCE, 5–6 NOVEMBER 2015
This workshop, to be organised by RSIS’ Centre of Excellence for National Security, will examine innovations in communication methods and technologies as well as discuss related governance issues. Speakers from multi-disciplinary backgrounds will offer useful insights to policymakers, practitioners and researchers. Case studies from operational lessons that can be drawn from these insights will be employed to elucidate concepts and approaches.
FURTHER INFORMATION

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