

PSNA and its role

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PSNA & Nagasaki Process

- The Panel on Peace and Security was set up by RECNA in 2016.
- It was one part of the Nagasaki Process launched by RECNA in the same year.
- The Nagasaki Process aims to:
- Advance diplomatic solutions to Northeast Asian conflicts and security issues
- In particular, to work towards establishing a Northeast Asian Nuclear Weapon Free Zone (NEANWFZ)

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PSNA as regional experts panel

- The panel brings together academic, civil society, humanitarian, and former diplomats.
- The initial four co-chairs were: Professor Chung-In Moon from South Korea, Professor Hiro Umebayashi from Japan, Dr Morton Halperin from the United States, and myself from Australia.
- Current PSNA co-chairs include: Dr Masao Tomonaga (Japan), Professor Chung-in Moon (with Dr Yongsoo Hwang currently acting co-chair in his place) (South Korea), Dr Peter Hayes (US), Dr Frank von Hippel (US), Dr Angela Kane (Germany), and myself.

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PSNA Mission

- to provide concise and timely policy recommendations on peace and security in Northeast Asia
- to particularly pursue political efforts to establish a Northeast Asian Nuclear Weapon Free Zone.
- to bring together experts from different countries in and beyond the region in policy development workshops and research
- to present policy alternatives in public forums;
- to foster regional dialogues with government, regional, and global, decision-makers on diplomatic options for denuclearizing the region.

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Wider PSNA membership

- The wider membership of PSNA includes 17 specialists from 8 countries (Australia, China, Germany, Japan, Mongolia, Republic of Korea, UK and US)
- They include, amongst others, Professor Hiro Umebayashi from Japan, Dr Morton Halperin from the US, Patricia Lewis from the UK, RECNA colleagues Tatsu Suzuki, Fumi Yoshida and Satoshi Hirose, Enkhsaikhan Jargalsaikhan (Mongolia), and Chinese and Russian experts.

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PSNA work to date

- PSNA work to date has taken the form of convening a series of major conferences involving all or most PSNA expert members.
- The first was in **Nagasaki, November 2016**.
- The second in **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, June 2017** in cooperation with the Asia Pacific Leadership for Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (APLN).
- The most recent was the **June 2018 Moscow Workshop** held in conjunction with Pugwash Russia, Moscow State Institute of International relations, and the Primakov Institute.

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Moscow PSNA outcomes

- The Moscow Workshop in particular took place in a more promising diplomatic context, shortly after the historic Panmunjom Summit and Declaration of April 2018 between North Korea's Kim Jong-un and South Korea's new president, Moon Jae-in.
- The Moscow workshop served to further identify and some of the key steps for achieving denuclearization on the Korean Peninsula, securing a permanent end to the Korean War, and negotiating wider regional frameworks for addressing nuclear, economic and security issues, including establishment of a regional Northeast Asian Nuclear Weapon Free Zone.

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PSNA work since Moscow workshop

- PSNA followed up the Moscow Workshop by commissioning, and publishing online (<http://www.recna.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/recna/en-topics/21359>), a number of expert working papers in cooperation with the Nautilus Institute and APLN.
- These include: John Carlson on verification issues; David von Hippel on uranium issues; Ramesh Thakur on the Kim-Trump negotiations; Mark Suh and Elisabeth Sue on the Kim-Trump Summit; Shen Dingli on applying diplomacy for the common good; Kyoji Yanagisawa giving a Japanese view of the DPRK-US negotiations; and Leon Sigal on the Hanoi Summit.

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Importance of this Seoul joint RECNA/Sejong Institute Workshop

We have convened the present workshop to review:

- the new possibilities for peace and denuclearization on the Korean Peninsula, including a peace settlement of the Korean War
- the wider possibilities for constructing a new regional security framework;
- potential new steps towards a Northeast Asian Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone.
- It is particularly important and urgent in this new diplomatic context for the workshop to identify policy recommendations that PSNA can advance and promote in national, regional and international forums on the key nuclear, peace and security issues affecting Northeast Asia.
- These might be ideas and recommendations oriented to either government or civil society levels, and look at both shorter and longer terms.

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PSNA/Sejong Institute follow-up to the Workshop

- We have formed a drafting team (Haksoon Paik, Fumi Yoshida, Peter Hayes and Michael Hamel-Green) to bring together the various strands and ideas that come out of the workshop into a single policy recommendations document.
- We will then circulate that back to you for your feedback and support.

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