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25.09.2020

Mr. Bilahari Kausikan

Russia in Southeast Asia



Biography

Bilahari Kausikan is currently the Chairman of the Middle East Institute, an autonomous institute of the National University of Singapore. He has spent his entire career in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. During his 37 years in the Ministry, he served in a variety of appointments at home and abroad, including his posting as Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Permanent Representative to the UN in New York, and as the Permanent Secretary to the Ministry. Raffles Institution, the University of Singapore and Columbia University in New York all attempted to educate him.

<https://youtu.be/sB-M0QwpSYg>



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21.10.2020

Dr. Natalia Stapran

The Prospects of Russian Economic
Projects in Southeast Asia



Biography

Dr. Natalia Stapran is currently Director of the Department for Multilateral Economic Cooperation and Special Projects, Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation. She is a Candidate of Historical Sciences and graduated from Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO University), School of International Relations. She was an Associate Professor at the Department of Asian and African Studies at MGIMO University and served as Director of the Russian Research Center of Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (RRC APEC) at the RANEP. She was a guest lecturer at the Higher School of Economics and other leading Russian universities. From 2000 till 2004, Dr. Natalia Stapran worked at the Russian Embassy in Tokyo (Japan). During her past years in the Ministry of Economic Development, she also served as Director of the Department for Projects' Support in the Asia-Pacific Region. She was awarded a Recognition Certificate of the President of the Russian Federation. She authored a number of academic publications and articles.

<https://youtu.be/DgK7gtrbC-k>



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16.11.2020

Dr. Jittipat Poonkham

Pax Indo-Pacific: A Struggle
for Regional Power and Prestige



Biography

Dr. Jittipat Poonkham (PhD Aberystwyth University; MPhil Oxford University) is currently Director of International Studies Program and Assistant Professor of International Relations in the School of Political Science, Thammasat University, Thailand. His research interests include the great power politics, International Relations theories, and Russian foreign policy. Dr. Poonkham has recently co-edited a book titled "International Relations as a Discipline in Thailand: Theory and Sub-fields".

<https://youtu.be/UuTD1KLSJ4Y>



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23.11.2020

H.E. Mohamad Wahid Supriyadi

Book Presentation
"The Lighter and Funnier Side of Diplomacy"



Biography

H.E. Mohamad Wahid Supriyadi is an experienced and well-known diplomat, who has spent his entire career in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and served in a variety of appointments at home and abroad, including as Consul General in Melbourne (2004-2007), Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) (2008-2011) and as Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus (2016-2020). Mr. Supriyadi initiated the first Festival Indonesia in 2005 when he served as Consul General in Melbourne. This Festival later became an annual event. He also initiated a similar festival in Moscow and got MURI Award (Indonesia's Guinness Book of Records) for successfully organizing the festival successively for four times (from 2016 to 2019). Mr. Supriyadi authored a number of articles on international issues published by The Herald Sun, The Age, The Australian, Image Indonesia, Kompas Daily, Suara Pembaruan Daily, etc.

<https://youtu.be/3KUMKhd0IY8>



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02.12.2020

Dr. Elena Yakovleva

The Birth of the Republic
on the Mekong River (in Commemoration
of the 45th Anniversary of the Lao PDR)



Biography

Dr. Elena Yakovleva (PhD in History) is an author of a number of publications on Indochina's history. Her research interests include the history and sociocultural development of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos as well as of the Southeast Asian Region.

<https://youtu.be/xDPGTb-zyUU>



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16.12.2020

Mr. Chris Cheang

Book Presentation
"Life and Work in Post-Soviet Russia"



Biography

Mr. Chris Cheang is an experienced and well-known diplomat, who was a Singapore Foreign Service Officer, working in various capacities in the departments dealing with the Western European countries; Southeast Asian countries; computer and information security and international economics dealing with APEC, and Singapore's Free Trade Agreements. He also served in the Singapore Embassy as the First Secretary in Bonn (1983-1987). From 1994-1997, 1999-2004 and 2006-2013, he was the First Secretary and subsequently Counsellor and Deputy Chief of Mission in the Singapore Embassy in Moscow. His last overseas assignment was between 2013 and 2017, as Singapore Consul-General in San Francisco. He has been a Senior Fellow with the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) in Singapore since October 2017. Chris is relatively fluent in the Russian language, and has an excellent command of the German language.

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