



22nd ASEAN REGIONAL FORUM HEADS OF DEFENSE UNIVERSITIES/ COLLEGES/INSTITUTIONS MEETING

September 25–29, 2018
Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

CONCEPT PAPER

Building Partnerships and Capacities to Meet Emerging Security Challenges in the Asia-Pacific Region

1. Purpose

The 22nd ASEAN Regional Forum Heads of Defense Universities/Colleges/Institutions Meeting (ARF HDUCIM) is intended to engage the senior leadership of the participating defense universities, colleges, and institutions (DUCIs) in discussions on many issues of mutual interest, primarily in the domains of defense education and research, defense exchanges and international cooperation, and regional security. The 22nd ARF HDUCIM is expected to foster trust within the region.

2. Key Topics for Discussion

a. Emerging Security Challenges, Capacity Building, and International Cooperation

This topic of discussion encompasses the new security challenges emerging in the Asia-Pacific region, the efforts to build an adequate capacity to deal with these challenges, and prospects for international cooperation in terms of capacity building, including the development of human resources.

b. Roles of Defense Universities, Colleges, and Institutions in Fostering Future Strategic Leaders

Discussions on this topic will encompass issues such as the desirable qualities of strategic leaders of armed forces, as well as strategies and methods for fostering and adequately preparing leaders to assume such important roles. It will also focus on the roles DUCIs can play in preparing these strategic leaders.

c. Building and Enhancing Partnerships in the Present-Day Security Environment

This topic of discussion will consider possible ways to build and enhance

partnerships among member countries in order to foster regional cooperation and stability, the role of DUCIs in enhancing such partnerships, and the function of international exchanges in the educational curricula of DUCIs.

3. Annotated Agenda

Activities	Description
September 25 (Day 1)	
Participants' arrival in Tokyo, and a welcome reception	
September 26 (Day 2)	
<p style="text-align: center;">Session I: Emerging security challenges, capacity building, and international cooperation</p>	<p>Nine presentations (15 minutes each).</p> <p>Points for Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the new security challenges emerging in the Asia-Pacific region, and what kind of capacities do we need to adequately deal with them? • How can we build such capacities, and how can international cooperation contribute to these efforts? • What kind of roles can DUCIs play in making armed forces/governments of member countries better prepared to deal with these emerging security challenges in the region?
<p style="text-align: center;">Session II: Roles of defense universities, colleges, and institutions in fostering future strategic leaders</p>	<p>Six presentations (15 minutes each).</p> <p>Points for Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the qualities required in future strategic leaders of armed forces? • What roles can DUCIs play in fostering such leaders, and what kind of strategies and methods can DUCIs employ in educating them? • How can educational, research, and other missions mutually reinforce the ability of DUCIs to nurture such leaders?
September 27 (Day 3)	
Session II	Three presentations (15 minutes each).

(continued from September 26)	
Session III: Building and enhancing partnerships in the present-day security environment	<p>Eight presentations (15 minutes each).</p> <p>Points for Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the ways to build and enhance partnerships to foster regional cooperation and stability? • How can DUCIs help enhance the partnerships among member countries? • What is the function of international exchanges in the educational curricula of DUCIs?
September 28 (Day 4)	
Excursion to cultural sites in Tokyo	
September 29 (Day 5)	
Participants' departure from Tokyo	