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# Global and Collaborative Asian & Pacific Leadership for the G20

September 22-24, 2011

## Agenda

This is the second annual conference in Shanghai at the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies examining collaboration and cooperation in the Asian context. This year's Conference extends the examination to the Pacific G20 countries. The Conference continues the search, and explanation for, the collaboration between and among the G20 Asian and Pacific countries. The workshop looks at national perspectives on the large economic coordination policies centered in the G20 Leaders Summit. It further examines the regional dimension. For some time now analysts have identified the weak collaborative structures (see most recently Miles Kahler, "Why Ties Don't Bind: Asia Needs Stronger Structures to Build Lasting Peace", [Global Asia](#)) and the difficulty for states to collaborate around a number of large global governance questions at the regional level. Finally, we focus significant attention at the global governance issues and the ability of these states to collaborate and overcome the collective action problem.

## Documents

- Action Plan on Food Price Volatility and Agriculture
- Creating a More Global Collaborative Asian Leadership for the G20: Report from the Shanghai Conference 2010

### September 22, 2010 (Thursday)

Conference Participants arriving in Shanghai

**18:00** Informal Buffet Dinner

Venue: Ramada Plaza Caohejing

**September 23, 2010 (Friday)**

**08:40** Walk to Conference Venue: SIIS, 195-15 Tianlin Road

**09:00-09:15 Opening: Welcoming Remarks**

Prof. Yang Jiemian, President, SIIS

Alan S Alexandroff, Director of Online Research and Digital20 Project, Munk School of Global Affairs University of Toronto

David Shorr, Program Officer, The Stanley Foundation

**09:15-10:20 Session I: The G20 and Its Evolving Agenda – Cannes and Forward**

Is the purported loss of momentum in the G20 summits since the 2008-09 crisis reflected in member governments' level of engagement? Is G20 success tied to progress on the macroeconomic problems especially continuing global imbalances? Has the continuing debt crises in Europe and the stalemate in Washington over debt and economic growth distracted attention from the G20's framework for strong, sustainable, and balanced growth? This panel will discuss national perspectives on these issues and whether the G-20 agenda indeed contains the seeds for progress in the global economy.

Given its struggles with the core mandate of coordinated economic policy, how much should the G-20 broaden its scope? How successful has the G-20 been in the new areas it's already taken on? Does expansion of the agenda depend on what the additional subjects would entail—i.e. the added workload at various levels of government? If so, how should we judge candidate issues?

Chair –Alan S Alexandroff (Munk School of Global Affairs)

Discussants –

- Daniel Drezner (Fletcher School)

- Alan S Alexandroff (Munk School)
- Lv Bo (Ministry of Commerce affiliated institute)

**10:20-10:40 Group Photo and Coffee Break**

**10:40-11:40 Session II: The Reform and Management of the Global Economic**

**Agenda - Perspectives from the large emerging powers –China, India, and Indonesia**

What are the lessons that large emerging market countries may draw from the reforms to the IMF? Do they offer a good example of major reform that was slow in coming, yet ultimately successful? Has America's policies and demands inhibited coordination? Do the large emerging still raise concerns over the IMF policy requirements? What are the key matters/issues that these countries believe currently are vital for success? Are these countries prepared to take a lead, or more formative role, in achieving success of an issue(s)? What issues do these countries believe must be put on the table in order to avoid conflict and contention among the leaders?

Chair: John Ravenhill (ANU)

Discussants:

- Xu Mingqi (SASC)
- Maria Monica Wihardja (CISS)
- Jorge Alberto Schiavon (CIDE)

**12:00-14:00 Lunch** 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Building A, Ramada Plaza Caohejing

**14:00-15:30 Session III: The Economic Agenda - Perspectives from the advanced economy countries – Australia, Canada, Japan, Korea, and United States**

How much solidarity and unity do the Western countries still show? Are they in fact able to collaborate, and if so where? If not what is keeping them apart? Is the European debt crisis a major distraction for advanced states? Is focus and priority shifting for these advanced countries shifting to other partnerships and collaborations? How important do these countries see the role of the G8? Does the G8 impede current efforts to make the G20 the steering committee for global economics? Is representativeness, or its lack the central problem? Or is there a more pervasive challenge of domestic politics constraining the ability to collaborate with either the other traditional powers or the enlarged global leadership club?

Chair: Alan S Alexandroff

Discussants –

- Lim Wonhyuk (KDI)
- David Shorr (TSF)
- John Ravenhill (ANU)
- Wang Guoxing (PIUSE)

**15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break**

**15:45-17:15 Session IV: Global Economic Reform: The Question of Development and Global Economic Growth**

How do various developing countries view major elements of the G20 agenda for economic growth and development? Has there been adequate attention to the Korean Consensus and the link between the growth in the developing countries and growth in the global economy? How important to development are the various agricultural initiatives contained in the Ministerial Declaration entitled, “Action Plan on Food Price Volatility

and Agriculture”? Have officials implemented the staging identified in the June Declaration? Have their countries and leaders been able to make their views and preferences known to the members of the G20? What needs to be done to the outreach process to correct for this? Have their roles in regional organizations - ASEAN, 3G made them better able to identify their preferences with the G20? Who among the G20 is most approachable?

Chair – Lee Dong-hwi (IFANS)

Discussants –

- Jim Harkness (Institute for Agriculture and Trade)
- Lim Wonhyuk (KDI)
- Wu Xinbo (Fudan)
- Christopher Alden (SAIIA)

### **17:45-19:45 Dinner**

Venue: Private Room, Third Floor, Building B, Ramada Plaza Caohejing

### **September 24-h, 2010 (Saturday)**

**08:40** Walk to Conference Venue: SIIS, 195-15 Tianlin Road

### **9:00-10:10 Session V: Perspectives from the Summit Hosts – Present and Future**

This session gets insights from our colleagues from France and Mexico? Is France making progress in achieving success with the agenda items? Is the agenda promoted by the French Presidency likely to gain the attention of G20 leaders? What are the successes and problems currently? Who presents difficulties in overcoming the inability to achieve collective action? What issues may come onto the agenda once the leaders gather no matter what the agenda is? Where is Mexico likely to take the G20 agenda when it takes over in November?

Chair: Chen Dongxiao (SIIS)

Discussants –

- Bernice Diaz Ceballos, Chief of Staff to the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mexico
- Daniel Drezner (Tufts)
- Ye Jiang(SIIS)
- Wang Li(CICIR)

**10:10-10:30 Coffee Break**

**10:30-12:00 Session VI: Toward Collaborative Leadership –Regional and Global Governance Issues - Is it possible?**

Is the G20 track sufficient to deal with the many challenges in the Asia-Pacific? How can the key Asian countries resolve the many regional economic, financial and political/security matters? What is the relationship between global – G20 - and regional forum – APEC, ASEAN, APT, ARF, TPP - and where can key bilateral relations – China-US, China-Japan-Korea, ASEAN-China - and the identified problems best be discussed and resolved? Is there an appetite for an encompassing Asia or even Asia-Pacific regional forum? What challenges would such a forum tackle? How would it tackle the relationship with the G20?

Chair: Yang Jiemian

Discussants –

- Liu Mingzhi (SIIS)
- Lee Dong-hwi (IFANS)
- Deputy Secretary K V Vanu Gopala (MFA Singapore)
- Maria Monica Wihardja (CISS)

**12:00-14:00 Lunch** 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Building A, Ramada Plaza Caohejing