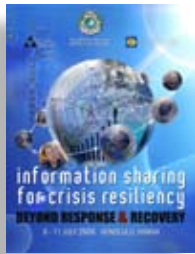


# Getting beyond response and recovery



More than 60 participants attended the 'Information-Sharing for Crisis Resiliency – Beyond Response and Recovery' workshop held July 8-11. The workshop was co-hosted by APCSS, the Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance, and the Pacific Disaster Center. The workshop brought together national crisis managers from 25 Asia-Pacific nations, along with representatives from U.S. inter-agency crisis management centers and various Non-Governmental Organizations.

This event was held based on feedback from nations in the region desiring an opportunity to explore how nations share information for the purpose of preventing or preparing for disasters and ways to improve that process. This workshop provided a forum to improve regional understanding and cooperation on this vital area of disaster management.



Jessica Adler (*center*) participates in workshop discussion.



(*Left to right*) Mr. Martin Studdert, Executive Director of Protective Security Coordination Centre for Australia's Attorney General, Dr. Nguyen Huu Ninh and Mr. Herman Finley.



More than 60 people participated in the workshop. A number of them also toured APCSS facilities.



Maj. Gen. Robert Lee, State of Hawaii Adjutant General and Director of State Civil Defense, provides a keynote address.



***Nobel Peace Prize Winner speaks on “Living with Environmental Change”***

Nobel Peace Prize winner, Dr. Nguyen Huu Ninh, was a keynote speaker during the ‘Information Sharing for Crisis Resiliency’ workshop on July 10th in Honolulu.

Dr. Ninh identified factors influencing social vulnerability and resilience to environmental change, specifically how Vietnam and other coastal nations can respond to effects of global warming such as typhoons, floods, and sea level rise. He highlighted various organizational principles that can be implemented in political, legal, scientific and financial frameworks in order to mitigate and manage disaster risks such as multi-level networks and adaptive governance. His book, “Living with Environmental Change: Social Vulnerability, Adaptation and Resilience in Vietnam,” expands on these issues.

As a keynote speaker of the workshop, Dr. Ninh discussed how Vietnam and many other countries of the region face a multitude of obstacles created by the rapid transformation of their economic, social, and environmental systems and resources. Taking a multidisciplinary approach,



APCSS’ Herman “Butch” Finley presents a workshop overview.



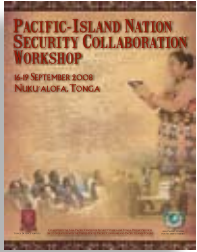
Senior Geospatial Data Analyst Todd Bosse from the Pacific Disaster Center presents information on GIS as a Sharing Tool.



Attendees discuss information sharing at the workshop held July 8-11, 2008.

*Dr. Ninh is the Director of the Centre for Environment Research Education and Development in Vietnam, an organization that carries out strategies for environmental conservation and sustainable socio-economic development. He was part of the group whose contribution to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change earned the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007.*

# Pacific-Island nations collaborate on security



The Pacific-Island Nation Security Collaboration Workshop concluded a three-

day agenda in Nuku'alofa, the capital city of Tonga, September 17-19, 2008. The workshop was jointly hosted by Tonga Defence Services and the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies located in Honolulu, with cooperating partners the Pacific Islands Forum and United States Pacific Command. The workshop was opened Wednesday by Tonga Prime Minister, Dr. Feleti Sevele. United States Charge d'Affairs in Suva, Fiji, Mr. Richard Pruett also participated.

TDS Commander, Brig. Gen. Tau'aika 'Uta'atu and APCSS foreign policy advisor, retired Ambassador Charles Salmon also welcomed the 39 workshop participants representing Pacific island military, civil and police agencies, as well as various non-government organizations and United Nations offices.

Noting that small island states must maintain their comprehensive, integrated and collaborative approach to each of the security issues in effective and appropriate ways, Prime Minister



Joint Operation Commander Col. Siamelie Latu, Tonga Defence Services, addresses conferees at the final plenary session.

Sevele also expressed the hope that through the workshop, security concerns would be better understood and regional preparedness and abilities to deal with security challenges enhanced.

During his address to participants, Brig. Gen. 'Uta'atu discussed security issues that threatened the stability of the Pacific region, from a Tongan perspective. Those issues included climate change, natural disasters, ethnic problems, environmental degradation, transnational crime, resources protection, good governance, and corruption. While acknowledging the efforts being made by Pacific Island Forum members to prepare for non-traditional security threats, these threats were often outside of their control. PIF members, however, could prepare for

the effects. He concluded there are no easy solutions to these security challenges, which can cause social, economic and political instability in the region.

Ambassador Salmon noted that although APCSS has organized several regional Pacific Island security conferences in Honolulu since 1995, this forum was the first such event in the region. It was also one of the most complex and ambitious APCSS outreaches in terms of resources and logistics, but it was clearly worth the effort. "The participant-centered and results-oriented workshop would draw on individual and national perspectives, as well as the participants' own rich personal and professional experience," he said. The workshop would look

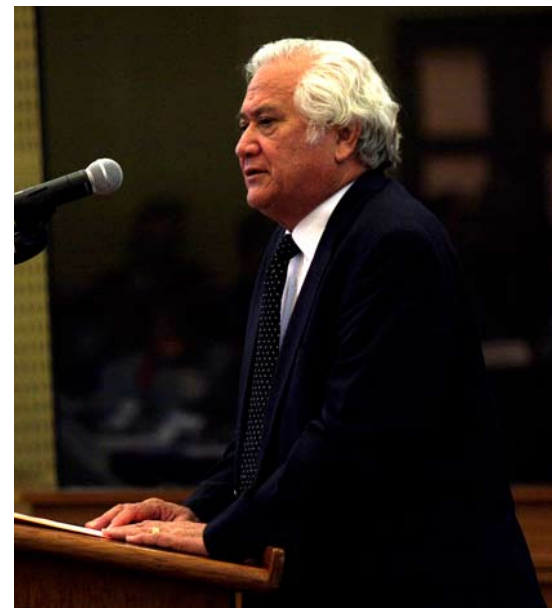
ahead and be of genuine value to governments and organizations in the region."

During the workshop, participants reviewed regional security and its many challenges, the existing political and socio-economic architecture to deal with those challenges and how it might be improved, as well as the specific capacity building required for more effective responses.

Workshop participants heard presentations from the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, the Foundation of the Peoples of the South Pacific International, the University of the South Pacific, the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, the UN Development Program, and the UN Pacific Center. Working



(l-r) Mr. Mathew Leslie, Regional Security Advisor, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, Defense Attaché, Cmdr. Robert Forwood, APCSS Associate Professor Dr. Alfred Oehlers, Charge d'Affairs for the U.S. Embassy in Suva, Fiji, Mr. Richard K. Pruet and Chief of Defence Brig. Gen. Tau'aika 'Uta'atu, Tonga Defence Services get down to business on the first day of the conference.



Tonga Prime Minister Prime Minister Dr. Feleti Sevele addresses participants during his opening remarks. He expressed his expectations and hope for increased understanding and readiness of the small island states' security challenges.



APCSS Foreign Policy Advisor, Ambassador Charles B. Salmon, Jr. presents his final report to conference attendees during closing ceremonies.

luncheon addresses covered health security and fisheries and security.

The workshop provided for three days of breakout discussions on the plenary presentations aimed at formulating concrete recommendations which could be made to regional organizations and PIF member states. The breakout groups' recommendations were reconciled and synthesized and then

presented for approval by a final plenary session. Highlights of the synthesis were then briefed to the Minister of Education in Tonga, Dr. Tevita Palefou.

Pacific Island nations represented at the workshop included Tonga, Papua New Guinea, Australia, Niue, the Solomon Islands, Cook Islands, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Vanuatu, Tuvalu, Kiribati, Samoa, Palau, and New Zealand.



Workshop participants at the Pacific-Island Nation Security Collaboration Workshop held in September 2008.

# Timor-Leste national security policy development



“During these times every nation has a responsibility toward the world and

the countries of the world. National security is no longer a private issue of a specific country but a global issue,” said Timor-Leste’s Deputy Prime Minister Jose-Luis Guterres during a workshop held on national security policy development at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies.

The “Timor-Leste National Security Policy Development Workshop,” held September 9-12 was hosted by the U.S. Pacific Command and brought more than 30 participants from Timor-Leste and around the world to APCSS.

Leading the workshop were Timor-Leste Deputy Prime Minister Guterres, U.S. Ambassador to Timor-Leste Hans Klemm and APCSS Director retired Army Lt. Gen. Ed Smith. Attendees included senior representatives of the Timor-Leste Government, defense and interior agencies and forces, parliamentarians, members of the civil society involved and interested in Timor-Leste security matters, and selected representatives of the international community.



According to Klemm, “The workshop was in response to a request made by the Foreign Minister of Timor-Leste for United States assistance in developing the country’s first-ever national security policy. The Center, by bringing together leaders from the Government, Parliament, civil society, security sector, as well as key bilateral and multilateral partners, facilitated a thorough discussion of the country’s national interests through analysis of internal and external threats. By providing a forum for thoughtful discussion, the Center has granted the leadership of Timor-Leste with an incomparable opportunity to make very important progress towards identifying a successful and coherent policy.”

“The participation of members of Parliament shows strong desire and willingness to have the participa-



Above: Timor-Leste’s Deputy Prime Minister Jose-Luis Guterres participates in discussions on national security policy.  
Left: U.S. Ambassador to Timor-Leste, Amb. Hans Klemm.



(Above and below) Attendees included senior representatives of the Timor-Leste Government including parliamentarians and members of the civil society involved and interested in Timor-Leste security matters and a number of international representatives.



tion of the people in defining the defense and security polities of Timor-Leste,” said Guterres of the seven parliamentarians who attended.

A number of ambassadors participated in a panel presentation on international experience in developing security policies. Ambassadors attending included: Australian Ambassador to Timor-Leste Peter Heyward, New Zealand Ambassador to Timor-Leste Ruth Nuttall, Portuguese Ambassador to Timor-Leste Joao Ramos-Pinto, Indonesia’s Charge’ d’Affairs Kiki Kusprabowo, and Mr. Colin Stewart representing the United Nations Integrated Mission to Timor-Leste.

Participants reflected on a number of key areas including key current and anticipated security concerns confronting Timor-Leste, evolving and expected roles and responsibilities of Timor-Leste security forces,



national security policy that effectively addresses security concerns, next steps required towards the development and implementation of national security policy, and further enhancement of the efficiency and effectiveness of the Timor-Leste security sector.

According to Smith, the workshop “really did succeed, by participant and APCSS measures. One of the reasons was our small

group analysis and action-plan orientation, vice the ‘anticipated’ format of outsiders ‘grading’ their current national security strategy.” “The conference was excellent,” said Guterres. “The fact that we came here [APCSS] shows the friendship and respect we have for the United States and the Center.

“We are happy with the facilitation and great help from the faculty – Professor

Azizian and his colleagues – gave greatly... to the success of the conference. The recommendations that were documented will now be analyzed by concerned institutions in Timor-Leste so that we can determine what types of actions we will take.”

Finally according to Dr. Rouben Azizian, “The workshop was a team effort and a combination of innovative methodological

and administrative approaches. The insights of Timorese participants, the experience of international attendees, facilitation skills of the APCSS team and the dedication of the conferencing, audio-visual and other APCSS departments all came together in a constructive and integrated manner.”



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# Managing the Global Commons



“Pacific Rim Security – Managing the Global Commons” was the

focus of a conference hosted by APCSS, the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies Stanford University, and Pacific Council on International Policy Jan. 12-14, 2009 at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif. Dr. William Perry, former U.S. Secretary of Defense actively participated as keynote speaker, synthesizing events and delivering final remarks.

The conference provided a focused dialogue to gain insights and mutual understanding of Pacific-Rim regional policies, initiate linkages, and explore potential collaborative security strategies for managing the global commons. Moderated panel discussions and guest speakers focused on China and Maritime Challenges, U.S Pacific Maritime Perspectives, Expansion of the Panama Canal, Opening of the Northern Passage, Challenges and Impacts on Pac-Rim Security, Energy and Resources Across the Pacific, and Coordinating for security – Port Security/Maritime Info-sharing. Robust interactive question/answer periods and lunch/



Delegates from 17 nations attended the workshop which focused on the Pacific Rim.

dinner guest speaker series enabled participants to share unique insights and perspectives and sustain dialogue throughout the Conference about the key issues addressed.

Attending were 45 delegates from 17 nations including: Australia, Canada, Chile, China(Hong Kong), Colombia, Ecuador, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, United States, and Vietnam. Delegates were senior government and non-governmental civilian and military leaders, security practitioners, and security studies experts.

CHDS Director Dr. Richard Downie remarked “the



Dr. Mohan Malik discusses regional issues with Dr. William J. Perry, former Secretary of Defense.

conference enabled the establishment of enduring linkages and high-level dialogue among senior Pacific Rim leaders.” Dr. Lee Endress, Academic Dean at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies said that “collectively, the panels demonstrated the profound confluence of economic interests, energy security, environmental impacts (especially climate change), and maritime domain

awareness in both Asia and the Americas.”

Key things learned during the course of the proceedings:

- (1) The rise of China is viewed differently by Asia-Pacific, the U.S.A. and Latin American countries.
- (2) The expansion of the Panama Canal and the opening of the northern passages has possible impact on ports and major trade routes.

(3) The climate change, especially the dramatic melting of the ice cap at the North Pole offers the availability of transpolar sea routes and enormous energy resources.

(4) The centrality of poverty as a fundamental security issue in South America, presented by Admiral Stavridis, Commander, U.S Southern Command.

(5) The troubling lack of PACRIM and, in fact, global cooperation on energy. The zero-sum nature of many national energy strategies makes global energy a big negative security issue with potential for conflict.

Building on these insights, APCSS and CHDS are placing special emphasis in their executive education on the themes and topics addressed and aim to work with regional organizations with the most potential to effect cooperation among PACRIM nations.

Dr. Perry concluded the event with a concise summary of the entire conference, acknowledging presenters in turn and praising the sophisticated and productive level of panel discussions.

In closing, he noted that the event included “the right people, with the right speakers, examining the right topics.” He thanked both Regional Centers and all three teams (APCSS/CHDS/FSI) for a program “very well conceived, laid out, and executed”...with a final remark for future collaboration ... “Let’s do it again!”

## Lemhannas Workshop

Professor Dr. Muladi, SH Governor of National Resilience Institute (Lemhannas) of Republic of Indonesia, and his executive team participated in a two-day leadership development workshop at APCSS.

The workshop included roundtable presentations, discussions, and meetings with Commander, U.S. Pacific Command, senior Pacific Command representatives, members of Hawaiian executive government and legislature, faculty and staff of Shidler School of Business, Executive Education Center of University of Hawaii as well as facilitated discussions at APCSS aimed at developing recommended “next steps” for Lemhannas’ executive education program.



*Above:* Lt. Gen. Smith greets Dr. Muladi



*Left:* Dr. Azizian leads discussions with workshop participants.

*Below:* Dr. Ardi Partadinata





# Building cross-regional cooperation



APCSS welcomed 27 senior alumni from APCSS and the George C. Marshall

European Center for Security Studies for a 5-day seminar on “Transnational Security Challenges and Cross-Regional Cooperation.”

The overall objective and theme of the seminar was enhanced inter-regional understanding of security issues and concerns in regions supported by both Centers, as well as logical security-cooperation interfaces requiring cross-regional collaboration. This inaugural seminar identified proven practices in responding to security trends and shocks and expanded potential areas of inter-regional cooperation.

Key Cross-Regional Strategic Security Trends identified included the changing strategic landscape and socio-economic issues. These issues included: the growing significance of energy security, a concern for economic stability, and the need for increased attention to environmental issues with transnational effects especially climate change. Security issues discussed included: the growing recognition of the importance of and increasing sophistication of

terrorism, the proliferation of human and drug trafficking, and the spread of WMD and uranium enrichment technology.

Dr. William J. Perry, former Secretary of Defense, attended the last day of the workshop to receive an outbrief from the participants.

A follow-up workshop is tentatively scheduled for Fall 2009 at the Marshall Center in Germany.

*Presentations from the workshop are posted on APCSSLink.*



Maj. Gen. Baljeet Singh (India, SEC06-3)



(l-r) Dr. Rouben Azizian, Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Ed Smith, Dr. John Rose, and Mr. Jahangler Arasli (Azerbaijan)



TSC-CRC Fellows review a presentation in the Center Conference Room.



Above: Brig. Gen. Zdravko Popovski of Macedonia discusses an item presented on display.

Left: Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Dadi Susanto (Indonesia, SE07-2)



APCSS alumni Maj. Gen. Koichiro Bansho (Japan, EC00-2) and Agha Jan Akhtar (Pakistan, EC07-1) both participated in the workshop.



Dr. William J. Perry attended the workshop to receive an outbrief from the participants.



Maj. Gen. Atifete Jahjaga (Kosovo) participating in a group discussion.



Professor Sridhar Khatri (Nepal, SEC07-1) and Mr. Nikolay Sofinskiy (Russia).



Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis and Mr. Mirko Cigler (Slovenia).



Senior alumni from both APCSS and the Marshall Center attended the workshop which was held October 26-31, 2008 in Honolulu.