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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

The 28th Indo-Pacific Naval College Seminar (IPNCS)

The JMSDF will hold the 28th Indo-Pacific Naval College Seminar (IPNCS) as described below.

1. Objective

To promote mutual understanding through interactions in the seminar that contributes to the realization of Free and Open Indo-Pacific.

2. Period

February 3 to 7, 2025

FEB 3 : Opening Ceremony, Keynote Speech, Study Tour, Reception

FEB 4 : Session1

FEB 5 : Session2, 3

FEB 6 : Wrap-up Session, Closing Ceremony

FEB 7 : Cultural Tour

3. Implementation responsibility

JMSDF Command and Staff College

(VADM ISHIMAKI Yoshiyasu, President, JMSDF Command and Staff College)

4. Place

(1) Ceremony, Keynote speech, Session: JMSDF Command and Staff College

(2) Study tour: Japan Ministry of Defense and JSDF (Ichigaya Area)

(3) Cultural tour :Tokyo

5. Participant

Naval officer with the rank of Captain who is currently an instructor or faculty of the Command and Staff College/the Naval War College or equivalent

5. Participating countries (22 countries)

Australia
Brunei Darussalam
Cambodia
Canada
Chile
China
Fiji
India
Indonesia
Italy
Malaysia
Peru
Philippines
Republic of Korea
Singapore
South Africa
Sri Lanka
Thailand
Tonga
United Kingdom
United States of America
Viet Nam

(Underlined: First participation)

7. Main theme

Free and Open Maritime Order: Cooperative Efforts for future Indo-Pacific

8. Keynote Speech

(1) Keynote speaker

Prof. TOKUCHI Hideshi, President of the Research Institute for Peace and Security

(2) Presentation title

Competition and Cooperation to Enhance the Rules-based Indo-Pacific Maritime Order

9. Session Themes

(1) Session 1

The Role of the Navy and Multilateral Cooperation in HA/DR

(2) Session 2

Education and Training for Next-Generation Officers

(3) Session 3

On the Challenge of Unmanned Assets against Maritime Security challenges

10. Notes

The JMSDF has hosted the Indo-Pacific Naval College Seminar since 1998.