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Tan Sri Rastam Mohd Isa was appointed Chairman of the Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia on 9 January 2015. Since 1 January 2014, he has also served as Chief Executive of ISIS Malaysia. He holds a Bachelor of Social Science (Hons) degree from Universiti Sains Malaysia, a Master of Arts degree in International Relations and Strategic Studies from the University of Lancaster and a Certificate of Diplomacy from the University of Oxford.

Tan Sri Rastam spent more than 36 years in the Malaysian diplomatic service. He served in various capacities at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Malaysian diplomatic missions abroad, including as High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan, Ambassador of Malaysia to Bosnia Herzegovina, Ambassador of Malaysia to the Republic of Indonesia and Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations in New York. He was Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 8 January 2006 until he officially retired from public service on 2 September 2010. Prior to his appointment as Chief Executive of ISIS Malaysia, he was Advisor at the Chief Minister's Department in Sarawak. He serves as chairman of the board of directors of one Malaysian public listed company. He also sits as director on the board of two other companies.

Tan Sri Rastam is Chairman of the Malaysian National Committee for the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC) and Chairman of the Malaysian National Committee of the Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP).

Tan Sri Rastam has received Federal and State awards and decorations namely, the Panglima Setia Mahkota (PSM), SSAP, PJN, SIMP, DIMP, KMN and AMN. He is also a recipient of the DSLJ from His Majesty the Sultan of Brunei Darussalam. He is married to Puan Sri Norizan Sulaiman. They have three children.



Kazumasa Kusaka
Chairman and CEO
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Mr. Kazumasa Kusaka has been Chairman and CEO of the Japan Economic Foundation (JEF) since April 1, 2013 and is also a Professor at University of Tokyo Graduate School of Public Policy.

He previously served for 36 years in Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI), rising to become vice-minister for international affairs in the reorganized Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) in 2004. During his long career in public service, Kusaka was seconded to the International Energy Agency (IEA)/OECD and was Japan's senior official for Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC). He played a central role in Asia's economic integration, promoting FTAs in the region as well as serving as a senior official negotiating the Doha development agenda of the WTO. He was head of Japan's Energy Agency and held director-general positions in technology and environmental policy in addition to trade and investment-related areas within METI. He was also instrumental in finalizing the Kyoto Protocol, and developing Japan's energy and environment policies. Among many other posts Kusaka has held are Special Adviser to the Prime Minister on Global Warming, senior vice president of Mitsubishi Electric, executive adviser to Dentsu Inc., and president of the Japan Cooperation Center for the Middle East.



Ong Kian Ming is Deputy Minister of International Trade and Industry (MITI) for Malaysia. He is also the Member of Parliament for Bangi (since May 2018) and Assistant National Director for Political Education for the Democrat Action party (DAP). He was formerly the Member of Parliament for Serdang (2013-2018). A former Fulbright Scholar, he holds a PhD in Political Science from Duke University, an MPhil in Economics from the University of Cambridge and a BSc in Economics from the London School of Economics. Prior to his political life, he was formerly a lecturer at UCSI University, a researcher at the Scio-Economic Development and Research (SEDAR) Institute and the Institute of Strategic Analysis and Policy Research (INSAP), and a consultant with the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) in Kuala Lumpur.



Dr. Josef T. Yap
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Josef T. Yap was President of the Philippine Institute for Development Studies, where he worked for 26 years until his retirement on June 30, 2013. While at PIDS, he specialized in macroeconomic policy and applied econometrics. Dr. Yap finished his undergraduate and doctoral studies at the University of the Philippines Diliman and went to the University of Pennsylvania on a post-graduate program. In 2010, Dr. Yap was honored as one of the 100 outstanding alumni of the UP Diliman College of Engineering as part of its Centennial celebration. His current research interest centers on regional economic integration in East Asia and promoting energy security in the Philippines. Dr. Yap was the regional coordinator of the East Asian Development Network and was actively involved in the establishment of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). He is co-author of the books *The Philippine Economy: East Asia's Stray Cat? Structure, Finance and Adjustment* and *Lessons from Nationalist Struggle: The Life of Emmanuel Quiason Yap*. At present, Dr. Yap is Senior Technical Advisor to the ASEP-CELLs Project (Access to Sustainable Energy Program, Clean Energy Living Laboratories) which is being implemented under the auspices of the European Union and the Ateneo School of Government.

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Research Adviser for the Executive Director of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) in Jakarta, and Visiting Fellow at the Asian Development Bank Institute. Professor Urata received his B.A. in Economics from Keio University in 1973 and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics at Stanford University in 1976 and 1978. He is a former Research Associate at the Brookings Institution, an Economist at the World Bank. He specializes in International Economics and Economics of Development. He has held a number of research and advisory positions including senior advisor to the Government of Indonesia, consultant to the World Bank, OECD, the Asian Development Bank and the Government of Japan. He published and edited a number of books on international economic issues and is an author and co-author of numerous articles in professional journals. His recent book publications in English include *Emerging Global Trade Governance*, co-editor, Routledge, 2018, *East Asian Integration*, co-editor, Routledge, 2019 and others.



Dr. Man-jung Mignonne Chan
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Dr. Man-jung Mignonne CHAN has extensive experience in academia, government, business consultancy, and media. She is currently Co-Founder and Chief Strategy Officer in the Forum on Humanities (人文薈), and sits in many Boards, including Commissioner of the KMT Party Review & Disciplinary Commission, Board Member of the National Policy Research Foundation, Independent Non-Executive Director of Standard Chartered Bank (Taiwan), Executive Board Member of Association of Emerging Market Studies, Association of Strategic Environmental Resources, and the Sino-U.S. Economic & Cultural Association. In addition, she is also commissioned as Senior Advisor to the Legislative Yuan.

Dr. Chan currently also serves as Advisor to Chinese Taipei APEC Study Center, and Advisor to the Chinese Cyan Geese Peace Education Foundation. She is also coaching negotiation regularly at public and private institutions.

Dr. Chan used to serve as KMT Member of the Parliament at-Large and sat as Chair of the Judicial Committee in 2016. She was Senior Adviser to President Ma Ying-Jeou at the National Security Council of ROC 2008~2010, Director General of International Secretariat of Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC) 1999~2001; Director (Research) at the International Secretariat of Asia-Pacific

Cooperation Council (APEC) 1996~1999, and Chief of Staff at the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC). In addition, she used to serve as Research Associate at the Harvard University Negotiation Roundtable—a consortium organized by



Prof. Gary Hawke
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Gary Hawke was Head of the School of Government and Professor of Economic History at Victoria University of Wellington. He held visiting appointments at Stanford University, All Souls' College, Oxford, the Australian National University and a number of institutions in Japan. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand, Distinguished Fellow of the NZ Association of Economists and Fellow of the Institute of Public Administration of New Zealand. He is a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit. He consults for government on education policy. As Director of the Institute of Policy Studies from 1987 to 1998, the projects for which he was responsible included relations among Australia, New Zealand and the United States and New Zealand's position in the Asia-Pacific region. He is a member of the board of the New Zealand Committee of the Pacific Economic Co-operation Council, NZPECC, a member of the Academic Advisory Council of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia and represents NZ Institute for Economic Research on its Research Institutes Network. He is now Emeritus Professor, Victoria University of Wellington, and Senior Fellow, NZ Institute of Economic Research.



Dr. Wisarn Pupphavesa
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Dr. Wisarn Pupphavesa is currently Senior Advisor and Research Director on International Trade and Development Policy at Thailand Development Research Institute (since 2005). He was former Dean of the School of Development Economics (1996-2002), Director of Center for International Economics and Development Studies (2002-2005) and

Assistant Professor (1983-2005) at the National Institute of Development Administration. Earlier, he was Economist at Asian Development Bank (1980-1983) and Consultant, ASEAN-MTN Project at UN-ESCAP (1978-1980).

Dr. Wisarn Pupphavesa has been appointed to various important posts and functions such as Member of the Subcommittee on Research (2006-2016), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Development of Transparency Index for Government Agencies (2010-2013) and Member of the Subcommittee on Development and Supervision of Integrity and Transparency Assessment of Government Agencies (2018-present), all under the National Anti-Corruption Commission, Director of Export-Import Bank of Thailand (2007-2008) and Member of the Subcommittee on Dumping and Subsidy Investigation (2001- 2008). He was also an Honorary Advisor to Minister of Commerce (2006-2007), Member of the Council of Economic Advisors to the Prime Minister (2001-2005), Member of the International Economic Policy Committee (1997-2003), Member (Thailand's Representative) of the High Level Task Force on ASEAN-CER FTA (1999-2000) and



Dr. Vo Tri Thanh

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Dr. Zhong Feiteng
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Professor Zhong Feiteng received his Ph.D. (2009) in international relations from the Waseda University as well as the Peking University. He used to work at the Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences since 2009. He is now senior research fellow, professor, and head of Department of Great Power Relations Studies, National Institute of International Strategy, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. He is the author of *Developmental Security: China Rise and Regional Order Reconstruction* (China Social Sciences Press, 2017) and *Managing Investment Liberalization: the Political Economy of Japanese Foreign Direct Investment in the United States, 1985-1993* (Social Sciences Academic Press, 2011). Dr. Zhong has advanced academic research centered on international political economy, China's international economic policy, energy security and maritime security issues, and China's foreign policy. He published more than 40 articles in Chinese leading journals. Dr. Zhong also touches on policy-oriented research work and involves various research programmes initiated by the Chinese central government. During

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Amb. Murray McLean AO
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Murray McLean is Chair, Australia Japan Foundation (since 2012); Chair, Foundation of Australian and Japanese Studies (NPO); a Fellow of the Australian Institute for International Affairs (since 2018); and Chairman of his family company, Dunmore McLean Pty Ltd. He was a Vice Chancellor's Professorial Fellow at Monash University (2012 to 2015) and a non-resident Fellow at the Lowy Institute 2014-2016

Formerly a senior officer of the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), he retired in 2012 after a 42 year career culminating in his role as Ambassador to Japan (2004-2011) initiating negotiations on the Japan/Australia EPA and on growing security cooperation as well as leading Australia's response to the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disasters of 2011.

Prior to that role, he served as Deputy Secretary of DFAT (2004); First Assistant Secretary, North Asia Division (2001-2003), High Commissioner to Singapore (1997-2001); Assistant Secretary, East Asia Branch, (1992-1996), and Consul General, Shanghai (1987-1992). His other DFAT postings were at the Australian Embassy in Washington D.C. (1983-1986); the Australian Embassy in Beijing (twice) (1973-1976 and 1979-1983) and in Hong Kong (1971-1973). He speaks fluent Chinese. In DFAT, he was consistently involved in the formulation of Australian policy towards Asia and also served as a special ministerial envoy on North Korean nuclear matters visiting North Korea on several occasions.

He was appointed as an officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in the Australia Day Honours list 2013 and in November 2014, the Japanese Emperor presented him with the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun.



Datuk Seri Jayasiri Jayasena
Former Secretary General
Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI), Malaysia

Datuk Seri J.Jayasiri is the former Secretary General, Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia. He joined the civil service in December 1981 as Assistant Secretary of International Affairs, Ministry of Primary Industries dealing with international commodity issues. He later assumed the post of First Secretary/Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of Malaysia in Geneva from 1988 to 1997 representing Malaysia in the Uruguay Round of negotiations to establish the WTO. He returned to MITI in 1997 and served in various positions. He was Malaysia's Senior Official to APEC from 2002 – 2006. He assumed the post of Deputy Secretary-General, MITI, in charge of strategy and monitoring in January 2015 before serving as the Secretary-General from July 2016 until his retirement from civil service in May 2018. On 15 August 2019 he was appointed as a member of the Public Services Commission.

Throughout his career, he represented Malaysia in numerous international meetings and trade negotiations. He led Malaysia's team in the ASEAN-China FTA, Malaysia-Japan FTA, the TPPA and CPTPP negotiations.

He was also deeply involved in many industry related issues and led the High-Level Task Force on the way forward for Malaysia to embrace Industry 4.0. He is also a strong advocate of Good Regulatory Practice.

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Anita Prakash is Director, Policy Relations, at the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) in Jakarta,

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She has worked extensively on the ASEAN-India free trade agreements and the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP). She developed the vision document for 'Asia Africa Growth Corridor' which was presented in the Africa Development Bank Annual Meeting in India, in May 2017. In 2018, she wrote the "Brussels Report on Asia Europe Connectivity" for the 12th ASEM Summit. She also developed the report on "ASEAN-Russia economic cooperation framework" for the ASEAN-Russia meeting in 2018.

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Having been posted in the industrial policy section and the international trade policy section for a few years, he was enrolled in a two year MPA (Master of Public Administration) programme at Woodrow Wilson School of Princeton University in the US on a Japanese government sponsorship. After having acquired MPA at Princeton, he rejoined MITI in 1984 as an economist. Since then he had been posted as Deputy Director and Director of a number of MITI divisions including Research Division of International Trade Policy Bureau. He was also posted in Paris twice, firstly, Principal Economist of Trade Bureau of OECD (Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development) from 1988 to 92 and secondly Counselor to Japanese Delegation of OECD from 1996 to 99. After coming back to MITI from his second stay in Paris, at the occasion of the government structural reform in 2001 when MITI was remodeled as METI (Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry) he joined the efforts to found METI research institute, Research Institute of Economy Trade and Industry as its Director of Administration. He became Chief Executive Director of JETRO San Francisco in 2003 and stayed in San Francisco until 2006. He was Director-General of METI Training Institute from 2006 until July, 2007 when he left METI permanently.



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Dr. Ahn's honors include the Economist of the Year Award from the Maeil Business Daily Newspaper in Korea, the Okita Policy Research Award by the National Institute for Research Advancement in Japan for his publication on "Modern East Asian Economy," and Free Economy Publication Award by the Federation of Korean Industries. Since receiving his Ph.D. from Ohio State University and his MA from University of Hawaii in association with the East West Center, Dr. Ahn has published many articles in international journals including Review of Economics and Statistics, European Economic Review, Japanese Economic Review, Journal of Asian Economics, Global Asia, and Monograph papers in North-Holland, Cambridge University Press, Springer, Edward Elgar, Palgrave Macmillan, Iwanami Shoten of Japan, Peking University Press, etc.



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From 1992 to 2008, he served in a number of public appointments for Singapore including as Chairman of the National Environment Agency (2002-08); an independent Member of Parliament (1997-2001); and to coordinate the country's equivalent of the Peace Corps (1990-93). He was chair or co-chair for a number of public commissions such as Singapore 21, the Singapore Green Plan and the Singapore Concept Plan 2010. In 2006, Prof Tay received a National Day Award. He served Singapore as an Expert and Eminent Person in the ASEAN Regional Forum from 2002 to March 2019.

He is a prize winning author of fiction and poetry. His 2010 novel *City of Small Blessings* was awarded the Singapore Literature Prize. He graduated in law from the National University of Singapore (1986), where he was president of the student union for three terms. He also holds a Masters in Law from Harvard Law School (1993-94), which he attended on a Fulbright Scholarship and where he won the Laylin prize for the best thesis in international law.

He was born in 1961 and is the only son of the late Tay Seow Huah, who was a senior civil servant in the government reporting to the Prime Minister and Defence Minister, and the late Madam Cheong Keong Hin, a teacher. Prof Tay has one son.



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