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**"South China Sea: Nature of the dispute,
resolving or managing it?"**

**By Ambassador Arif Havas Oegroseno,
President of 20th Meetings of States Parties to the
1982 UNCLOS
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Federal Republic of Germany**

**"The Emerging Liberal Order in Asia and
Challenges in the South China Sea"**

**By Professor Nobukatsu Kanehara,
GRIPS Visiting Professor**



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◆Program:

- 16:00-16:10 Opening Remarks by Prof. Takashi Shiraishi, Senior Fellow, GRIPS Alliance
- 16:10-16:55 Keynote Speech by Ambassador Arif Havas Oegroseno
- 16:55-17:15 Speech by Prof. Nobukatsu Kanehara
- 17:15-18:00 Q&A with participants
(Moderated by Prof. Narushige Michishita, GRIPS Vice President)

◆Abstracts:

"South China Sea: Nature of the dispute, resolving or managing it?"

The South China Sea dispute has been more pronounced as flashpoint in East Asia and Southeast Asia, especially in the context of strategic rivalry between the US and China. There have been many analysis on ways to resolve the dispute without understanding the complexity of the legal dispute itself. This talk will attempt to shed lights on the nature of the dispute from legal perspective and find the best possible and realistic way to handle the issue in order to keep peace in East Asia and Southeast Asia. There is a greater good, larger than the South China Sea issue, which needs to be understood by all stakeholders in the region.

"The Emerging Liberal Order in Asia and Challenges in the South China Sea"

China has been the Western partner since President Nixon went to Beijing. Japan hoped that one day China would become like us. But China seems now confident to have its own way. Typical examples are seen in the South China Sea. In 2006, China filed an astonishing piece of paper to the United Nations that claimed the whole South China Sea. China has militarized the reefs and rocks there. The unity and realignment of the Western nations and the Asian friends are necessary, otherwise no one nation could stop powerful Chinese expansionism.

◆About Speakers:

Ambassador Arif Havas Oegroseno, Indonesian Ambassador to Federal Republic of Germany

Arif Havas Oegroseno has been Ambassador Plenipotentiary and Extraordinary of the Republic of Indonesia to the Federal Republic of Germany since 20 February 2018. Prior to this, he was the Vice Minister for Maritime Sovereignty at the Coordinating Ministry for Maritime Affairs from 2015 to 2018 after serving as Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to the Kingdom of Belgium, Grand Duchy of Luxemburg and the European Union from 10 August 2010 to January 2015. He also served as the Director General for Law and International Agreements of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2008 to 2010.

Prof. Nobukatsu Kanehara, GRIPS Visiting Professor

Mr. Kanehara served as Assistant Chief Cabinet Secretary to Prime Minister Shinzo Abe from 2012 to 2019. In 2014, Mr. Kanehara also became the inaugural Deputy Secretary-General of the National Security Secretariat, a role which he held until his retirement from government service in 2019. He also served as the Director-General of Bureau of International Law of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Deputy Director of the Cabinet Intelligence and Research Office.

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