“The Political Structure in the ARF: what matters for security regime development in the Asia-Pacific region?”

Satoshi MARUYAMA

Ph.D. candidate at Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSAPS), Waseda University and Research Fellow at Global Institute for Asian Regional Integration (GIARI), Waseda University.

The research objective is to explore and identify improving factors and hindering factors in the development of the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) which is a comprehensive and cooperative security dialogue framework in the Asia-Pacific region. The region currently faces not only traditional security issues such as proliferation of nuclear weapon and territorial disputes, but also increasing non-traditional security issues such as terrorism, transnational crimes and natural disasters. The ARF has dealt with the above political and security issues for sixteen years, and has gradually developed its function, albeit at a slow pace. The 27 participant states include key regional actors such as the United States and China. Therefore, examining political interaction and consensus on various agendas in the ARF, particularly between key regional powers, is essential in understanding what factors are conducive to the development of regional security cooperation.

Date : Tuesday, March 9th, 2010
Time : 14:00~16:00
Venue : Waseda University, Building 19, Room 314
Discussant : Professor Chikako Kawakatsu UEKI, PhD, GSAPS, Waseda University

Presentation in English (No Interpreter)
Admission Free / No Pre-Registration Required

Organized by: Waseda University Doctoral Student Network (WUDSN)
<www.waseda-giari.jp/jpn/wudsn/index_e.html>
Supported by: Global Institute for Asian Regional Integration (GIARI)