JIIA-RUSI-CSIS Joint Open Seminar on Maritime Security in the East and South China Seas

14 March 2016
RUSI, 61 Whitehall, London SW1A 2ET

1230 Speaker’s Lunch

1330 Registration

1400 Opening Remarks
Speakers: TBC

1410 CSIS-AMTI Presentation on the East and South China Seas
Chair: Professor Reinhard Drifte, Associate Fellow, RUSI
Speaker: Zack Cooper, Fellow, Japan Chair, CSIS

1440 Panel One: Challenges in the South China Sea
This session will address the legal/military/strategic challenges in the South China Sea, such as land reclamation, US freedom of navigation operations (FONOPs), and international arbitration.
Chair: Peter Roberts, Senior Research Fellow, Maritime Studies, RUSI
Speakers: Andrew Shearer, Senior Research Fellow, Lowy Institute for International Studies
Vice Admiral (Retd.) Yoji Koda, Former Commander-in-Chief, Self Defense Fleet at Yokusuka
Dr Nguyen Thi Lan Anh, Deputy Director-General, Institute for South China Sea Studies, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam
Professor Jay Batongbacal, Associate Professor, University of the Philippines College of Law
Discussant: Edward Carr, Deputy Editor, The Economist
1610  Afternoon Tea

1630  Panel Two: Recent Developments in the East China Sea

This session will address recent political and military developments in the East China Sea, such as Japan-China maritime consultations, Japan-China military communication mechanism negotiations, and coast guard build-up.

Chair:  Professor Reinhard Drifte, Associate Fellow, RUSI

Speakers:  Tetsuo Kotani, Senior Fellow, JIIA

Zack Cooper, Fellow, Japan Chair, CSIS

Theresa Fallon, Senior Associate, European Institute for Asian Studies

Discussant:  Dr Alessio Patalano, Senior Lecturer in War Studies, East Asian Warfare and Security, King’s College London

1740  Closing Remarks

Speaker:  Ambassador Yoshiji Nogami, President, JIIA

1800  Drinks Reception