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New Report Examines the Geopolitics of Gas Supply and Demand in Asia

Washington, D.C. (November 4, 2013) – The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) is pleased to announce the release of its **2013 Energy Security Report "Asia's Uncertain LNG Future.**" This major new publication explores how countries in the Asia-Pacific are integrating liquefied natural gas (LNG) into their energy-security strategies and assesses the implications for both the United States and Asia. Issues addressed include:

"The New Geography of Asian LNG" – Nikos Tsafos, PFC Energy (an IHS company)

How Asia's demand for LNG supplies is evolving, and what the geoeconomic and geopolitical implications are of Asia's quest to secure sufficient supplies

"China's Coming Decade of Natural Gas?" – Damien Ma, Paulson Institute

How China's efforts to reduce its reliance on coal and increase its use of gas will affect global markets, and why gas geopolitics may not be as divisive as oil geopolitics

 "Russian LNG Exports to Asia: Current Status and Future Prospects" – Michael Bradshaw, University of Leicester

What is driving Russia to expand its energy exports to Asia, and how tensions between geopolitical and commercial opportunities might affect projects under development in the Russian Far East

 "How the Shale Revolution Will Transform U.S. Policy" – Amy Myers Jaffe, University of California-Davis

How the rapid growth of oil and natural gas production from unconventional shale resources in North America will transform global energy markets, and what the implications are for the United States

 "Asia's Uncertain LNG Future: Conclusions and Implications for the United States and Asia" – Mikkal E. Herberg, NBR

What core issues will shape the overall outlook for LNG markets and geopolitics, and how the United States, Asia, and other key stakeholders can strengthen global energy security

Copies of the report will be available for download on <u>NBR's website</u> beginning **November 5**. To request an advance copy or an interview with the authors, please contact Sonia Luthra, Assistant Director of Outreach, at (202) 347-9767 or <u>media@nbr.org</u>.

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