

Speaker Biographies

TOM CUTLER is President of Cutler International, LLC. He has 40 years of experience in international energy affairs, starting as an energy intern at the World Bank in 1974, followed by a 36-year career at the U.S. Department of Energy, where he was Director for European and Asia Pacific Affairs. Highlights include serving two terms as Chairman of NATO's Petroleum Planning Committee (1983-87) and playing an instrumental role in the development of major U.S. bilateral energy programs with Indonesia (e.g., U.S.-Indonesia Energy Dialogue and the U.S.-Indonesia Energy Investment Forum) and in the Asia-Pacific, including regional collaboration involving APEC, ASEAN, and the East Asia Summit.

CLARA GILLISPIE is Director for Trade, Economic, and Energy Affairs at The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR). In this capacity, Ms. Gillispie leads research, publications, and activities for a range of initiatives, including NBR's Energy Security Program, the Pacific Energy Summit, and the organization's programming on innovation and IP policymaking.

Prior to joining NBR in 2011, Ms. Gillispie served as a consultant for Detica Federal Inc., where she conducted program assessments and policy reviews for U.S. government clients. She has also interned with both the U.S. House Committee on Science, Technology, & Space and the American Chamber of Commerce in the People's Republic of China. Ms. Gillispie graduated from the London School of Economics and Peking University with a dual MSc in International Affairs.

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Mr. Herberg writes and speaks extensively on Asian energy issues to the energy industry, governments, and major research institutions in the Asia-Pacific region and Europe, including the U.S., China, and Japan. He is cited frequently in the media, including *the Wall Street Journal*, *the Washington Post*, *South China Morning Post*, *Asahi Shimbun*, *Reuters*, *NIKKEI News*, *Caijing*, and *National Public Radio*.

MURRAY HIEBERT serves as Senior Fellow and Deputy Director of the Sumitro Chair for Southeast Asia Studies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington, D.C. Prior to joining CSIS, he was Senior Director for Southeast Asia at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, where he worked to promote trade and investment opportunities between the United States and Asia. Mr. Hiebert joined the U.S. Chamber in 2006 from the *Wall Street Journal's* China bureau, where he covered trade, intellectual property rights, and China's accession to the World Trade Organization.

Prior to his posting to Beijing, he worked for the *Wall Street Journal Asia* and the *Far Eastern Economic Review* in Washington, reporting on U.S.-Asia relations. From 1995 to 1999, he was based in Kuala Lumpur for the *Far Eastern Economic Review*. He covered the Asian financial crisis

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and also reported on developments in Singapore. In the early 1990s, he was based in Hanoi for the *Review*, reporting on Vietnam's economic reforms. He joined the *Review's* Bangkok bureau in 1986, covering political and economic developments in Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos. Mr. Hiebert is the author of two books on Vietnam, *Chasing the Tigers* (Kodansha, 1996) and *Vietnam Notebook* (Review Publishing, 1993).

J. WILLIAM (BILL) ICHORD is an international business advisor with over 35 years of business, association, and government experience. Mr. Ichord's business experience includes 25 years in senior and executive level positions with three energy companies – ConocoPhillips Company, Sempra Energy, and Unocal Corporation. He also held senior positions with the American Chemistry Council and Burson-Marsteller. His government experience included legal counsel positions at the United States Senate and as an Environmental Specialist at the U.S. Department of Energy.

Mr. Ichord holds a BA in Political Science and Environmental Studies from Denison University in Ohio where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and a J.D. from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar.

MEREDITH MILLER is Vice President for Southeast Asia at Albright Stonebridge Group.

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Ms. Miller holds an MA in International Relations from the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins University and a BA in Anthropology from the University of Michigan. She is a specialist in Southeast Asia and speaks Indonesian.

VIKRAM NEHRU is Senior Associate in the Asia Program and Bakrie Chair in Southeast Asian Studies at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. An expert on development economics, growth, poverty reduction, debt sustainability, governance, and the performance and prospects of East Asia, his research focuses on the economic, political, and strategic issues confronting Asia, particularly Southeast Asia.

From 1981 to 2011, Mr. Nehru served in the World Bank, including in a number of senior management positions. Most recently, he was chief economist and director for poverty reduction, economic management, and private and financial sector development for East Asia and the Pacific. In this capacity, he advised the governments of developing countries in East Asia and the Pacific on

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economic and governance issues, including macroeconomic management, public sector and public financial management, financial and private sector development, and poverty reduction.

Previously, he directed the World Bank's Economic Policy and Debt Department, where he was responsible for managing global programs for debt relief and for developing new tools and techniques for growth analytics, fiscal-policy analysis, subnational and regional development, and small-states development. In addition, he chaired the bank's Economic Policy Sector Board, which provided strategic leadership for all of its country and macroeconomists. In leading the World Bank's Debt Department, Mr. Nehru managed the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Initiative, Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative, Debt Sustainability Framework, Debt Reduction Facility, Debt Management Facility, Debt Management Performance Assessment Program, and Medium Term Debt Strategies for Developing Countries. Prior to joining the World Bank, he held an administrative position with the government of India.

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Previously, Mr. Smouse spent nearly 29 years in the Department of Energy's National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) and the lab's predecessors in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. From 1996-2014, he coordinated NETL's international activities, including working with senior Department and other U.S. government officials on many bilateral and multilateral activities. From 2013-2014, drawing on his early career in combustion, Mr. Smouse returned to a management position in NETL's RD&D programs as Technology Manager for Advanced Combustion, while continuing to serve as an advisor on NETL's international activities.

Mr. Smouse has held senior-level positions in several international organizations/initiatives, including the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and the Asia Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate (APP). Since 2001, he has chaired the Expert Group on Clean Fossil Energy (EGCFE) under the APEC Energy Working Group. He is a member of the DOE management team for the U.S. Advanced Coal Technology Consortium under the U.S.-China Clean Energy Research Center (CERC). Mr. Smouse was the lead author on the international sections of the 2010 Interagency Task Force Report on Carbon Capture and Storage to President Barack Obama. In 2012, he completed a 3-month executive exchange program in China under the Office of Fossil Energy's Global Leadership Program.

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ARTO SURYODIPURO is a Foreign Service Officer of Indonesia and at present is the Deputy Chief of Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United States of America.

Prior to his current assignment, he served as Director for Intra-Regional Cooperation in Asia Pacific and Africa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. During Indonesia's APEC host year, he assisted the SOM Chair and, as secretary of the Policy Division of the National Committee of APEC Indonesia 2013, coordinated policy development. He chaired APEC's drafting of the Bali outcome documents.

He was posted to Indonesia's Mission to the United Nations in New York in 1996-2000 and, recently, during Indonesia's term in the UN Security Council in 2007-08. Another posting was to Indonesia's Embassy in Canberra, in charge for bilateral economic and development matters.

He graduated from Universitas Parahyangan in Bandung (1991) and the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey (2003). He won the Fulbright Scholarship in 2002.

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SATYA WIDYA YUDHA is a Member of Parliament in the Republic of Indonesia. With more than 23 years of experience in the oil and gas industry and together with the political party Golkar, he successfully secured a seat in the House of Representatives in 2009-14 for the East Java Election District. Currently, he is Deputy Chairman of Commission VII, which oversees the energy, mineral resources, environment, research, and technology sectors, and also serves on the Budgeting Committee. He was Deputy for the Energy and Finance sector for the Golkar Party faction and sits as Deputy Secretary General of the Golkar Party.

Previously, Mr. Yudha was the Director of Federal Relations and Business Development for ARCO and British Petroleum (BP) in Washington, D.C., and upon BP's acquisition of ARCO, was appointed Director of International Affairs of BP Plc., stationed in London. After his appointment in London, Mr. Yudha became the LNG Supply Development Director in BP China, residing in Beijing. After China, he was appointed Business Strategy Director of BP Vietnam, which was his last overseas position before returning to Indonesia. Upon his return, he was the BP Representative as Deputy Director for CBM Business Development at VICO Indonesia, which was his last professional take before entering the government.

Mr. Yudha has a degree in offshore engineering from The Tenth of November Institute of Technology (ITS) in Surabaya and an MS in Oil & Gas Project Quality Management from Cranfield University School of Industrial and Manufacturing Science in Bedford, UK. He is a specialist on energy geopolitics and economics with a special focus on Indonesia, China, and Vietnam. His work focuses on energy security, energy subsidies, U.S.-Indonesia energy and strategic relations, national oil companies, climate change, and oil company country risk.