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Program Themes

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**Revolutionizing LNG and Natural Gas in the Indo-Pacific** (2019) examined the envisioned role for LNG and natural gas in the U.S. Indo-Pacific strategy and assessed how the U.S. and its partners in Asia can collaborate to translate the broad goals of this strategy into specific and actionable efforts.

**The Emerging Russia-Asia Energy Axis** (2018) examined how energy industry shifts in Russia are opening new avenues for Russia-Asia energy projects and investment, and assessed the energy security and strategic implications of Russia’s increasingly active energy pivot to Asia.

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**Asia’s Energy Security amid Global Market Change** (2016) examined major shifts in global oil and gas markets, the new era of abundant oil and LNG supplies, the implications for Asia’s future energy security and geopolitical uncertainties, and recommendations for strengthening energy and environmental policymaking across the Asia-Pacific.

**Indonesia: A Regional Energy Leader in Transition** (2015) examined the key energy and environmental security challenges facing Indonesia and explored strategies for promoting greater access to energy while stimulating sustainable sector investment.

**China’s Energy Crossroads** (2014) detailed major shifts underway in Beijing’s energy security strategies, and how the country will impact market, geopolitical, and environmental outlooks for the Asia-Pacific more broadly.

**Asia’s Uncertain LNG Future** (2013) explored how and to what extent countries in the Asia-Pacific are integrating liquefied natural gas into their energy security strategies and the key geopolitical and market implications for both the United States and Asia.

**Oil and Gas for Asia: Geopolitical Implications of Asia’s Rising Demand** (2012) explored how Asia’s rising energy demand, coupled with angst over prices and the reliability of future oil and LNG supplies, is shaping the strategic and economic agendas of Asia’s major powers.

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