## List of Keynote Speakers for the International Conference

Name	Profile
Frofessor Harsh V Pant	Professor Harsh V Pant is a Professor of International Relations at the King's College London. He is Director, Studies and Head of the Strategic Studies Programme at Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi. Harsh has been a visiting professor at the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore; a visiting fellow at the Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania; a visiting scholar at the Center for International Peace and Security Studies, McGill University; and an emerging leaders fellow at the Australia-India Institute, University of Melbourne. His most recent books include <i>New Directions in India's Foreign Policy: Theory and Praxis</i> (Cambridge University Press), <i>India's Nuclear Policy</i> (Oxford University Press), <i>The US Pivot and Indian Foreign Policy</i> (Palgrave Macmillan), <i>Handbook of Indian Defence Policy</i> (Routledge), and <i>India's Afghan Muddle</i> (HarperCollins).
Fr. Jagannath Panda	Dr. Jagannath Panda is the Head of the Stockholm Center for South Asian and Indo-Pacific Affairs (SCSA-IPA) at the Institute for Security and Development Policy, Stockholm. In addition, Dr. Panda is the Director for Europe-Asia Research Cooperation at the Yokosuka Council on Asia-Pacific Studies (YCAPS); and a Senior Fellow at The Hague Centre for Strategic Studies (HCSS), The Netherlands. He has testified to the US-China Economic and Security Review Commission at the US Congress on 'China and South Asia'. Dr. Panda's works include India-China Relations (Routledge: 2017), Quad Plus and Indo-Pacific (Routledge: 2021), The Korean Peninsula and Indo-Pacific Power Politics: Status Security at Stake (Routledge, 2020), India-Japan-ASEAN Triangularity (Routledge: 2022), and the Future of Korean Peninsula: Korea 2032 and Beyond (Routledge: 2021).

With the second secon	Dr. Niklas Swanström is the Director of the Institute for Security and Development Policy, Stockholm, and one of its co-founders. He is a Fellow at the Foreign Policy Institute of the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Johns Hopkins University and a Senior Associate Research Fellow at the Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI). His focus is mainly on Northeast Asia, Central Asia and Southeast Asia. Dr. Swanström has authored, co-authored or edited a number of books, including: Eurasia's ascent in Energy and geopolitics (Routledge: 2012), Sino-Japanese Relations: The need for Conflict Prevention and Management (Cambridge Scholars Publishing: 2008), and Foreign Devils, Dictatorship or Institutional Control: China 's foreign policy towards Southeast Asia (Uppsala Universitet: 2001).
Frabir De	Dr. Prabir De is a Professor at the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi. He is also the Coordinator of the ASEAN-India Centre (AIC) at RIS. He works in the field of international economics and has research interests in international trade and development. He was a Visiting Fellow of the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE-JETRO), Japan; Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), Tokyo; Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), Seoul; and Visiting Senior Fellow of United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Bangkok. His recent book includes Act East to Act Indo-Pacific: India's Expanding Neighborhood, published by the Knowledge World in 2020. He is the Founding Editor of the Journal of Asian Economic Integration, published by Sage.
Fr. NATORI Yoji	Dr. NATORI Yoji is an Associate Professor of International Liberal Arts Global Studies Program at the Akita International University, Japan. Dr. Yoji holds a Ph.D. in Land Resources from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States. He has served as a Manager, Science to Action at the Conservation International Japan; a Researcher at the Ecosystem Conservation Society, Japan; a researcher at the Japan Wildlife Research Center (JWRC); an Assistant to the Chief of International Section, Wildlife Division at the Ministry of the Environment, Japan; a Vice Chair at the Japan Committee for International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN); a biodiversity expert in the Technical Support Team to a proposed JICA yen-loan project in Himachal Pradesh, India; and a Member of the Local ESG Financing Committee at Ministry of the Environment, Japan.

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