3rd Annual Geopolitical Conference

Strategic and Geopolitical Issues in the Contemporary World: Geopolitics of 21st Century: Conflict or Copperation?

Prague, 15th November 2013 Institute of Political Science (FSV UK)/ Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Prague

8:30 – 9:00 Registration 9:00 – 9:30 Opening speeches:

Martin Riegl – IPS FSS UK HE Christine Hsueh – Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, Representative Tomáš Karásek – IPS FSS UK

9:30 – 11:30 Panel 1: New Hegemon of World Politics? Chair: Jakub Landovský

Cheng, Chin Mo (Department of Global Political Economy, Taiwan): *The Rise and Decline of the EU* **Tony Sowang Kuo** (Shih Chien University): *China Rise and its Impact to Southeast Asia Nations* **Dejan S.Miletič** (Center for Globalization Studies, Serbia): *Globalization of Crises and/or the Crisis of Globalization From the Perspective of Serbia*

Fabrizio Bozatto (Tamkang University, Taiwan): Living with the Dragon - China geopolitical narratives in the Pacific Islands

António Bessa (University of Lisboa, Portugal): Geopolitics of China. The Problem of Seapower Jan Kofroň (IPS FSS UK, CZE): Power Competition: Implications for the Future of Southeast Asia Region

Discussion

11:30 - 12:15 Lunch break 12:15-14:00 Panel 2: Internal and Inter-state conflicts behind political map Chair: Michael Romancov

James Cheng (Department of Sociology, Soochow University, Taipei): China and South-East Asia Cooperation and Conflict

Takashi Hosoda (Chamber of Commerce, Japan): *The Senkaku Islands and Japan* Jana Sehnálková (IMS, FSS UK, CZE): *Taiwan and Its Involvement in South China Sea Disputes* Velina Tchakarova (Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy, AIES, Austria): *The Eurasian union: Russia's new integration initiative toward the former Soviet space in a struggle for geopolitical dominance*

Mario Sharevski (IPS FSS UK, Macedonia): *Emergence of the Vietnamese-US engagement* (cooperation) as a result of the rise of China

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Kendra Sundal (IPS FSS UK, USA): Geopolitical aspects of the evolution of inter-Korean relations Discussion

14:00-15:30 Panel 3: New World Rimlands: Indian Ocean vs. Sub-saharan Africa: new world rimlands? Chair: Yu Chin Cheng

Wouter Zaayman (RSA): The Geopolitics of BRICS Bohumil Doboš (IPS FSS UK, CZE): Indian Ocean region – The Neomedieval Analysis Michael Romancov (IPS FSS UK, CZE): World Ocean as Future "Battlefield" of (Super)Powers: Case Study of Indian Ocean Hrishabh Sandilyia (IPS FSS UK, AAC, India): India – Central Asia Relations – Looking at India's 'Connect Central Asia' Policy