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The Indo-Pacific: how can the world best promote strategic stability, economic growth and the rule of law in the region?

22 October 2021

(with arrival on 21 October and departure on 23 October for in-person guests)

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A Note about the programme:

The following programme encompasses the timings for guests in multiple time zones, as shown (*these are not entirely comprehensive, due to space limitations*). Inevitably, some sessions fall during guests' night-time hours at certain points in the programme and these guests are not expected to join at these times; however, all guests are nevertheless welcome to attend all the sessions.

Please note the timings as they relate to you.

Legend:

AEDT: Australia Eastern Daylight Time

BST: British Summer Time

CEST: Central European Summer Time

CST: China Standard Time

EDT: Eastern Daylight Time

IST: India Standard Time

JST: Japan Standard Time

MT: Malaysia Time

PDT: Pacific Daylight Time

SGT: Singapore Time

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Day 1 – Thursday, 21 October

	In-person guests	Remote guests
	Arrivals	
1800 BST	Informal supper	

Day 2 – Thursday, 21 October / Friday, 22 October

	In-person guests	Remote guests
	<i>Please notify Ditchley Reception staff, if you require a wake-up call.</i>	
Friday: 0345 BST	Coffee, fruit and pastries	
Thursday: 2015 PDT / 2315 EDT Friday: 0415 BST / 0515 CEST 0845 IST 1115 CST, MT, SGT 1215 JST / 1415 AEDT		<i>Ditchley host opens Zoom call early, for those who would like to check their connection or who have a question.</i> Ditchley telephone number, in case of need: +44 (0)1608 677346 (landline) or email Conference.coordinator@ditchley.com
0420 BST	In-person guests take their seats in the Library	
Thursday: 2025 PDT / 2325 EDT Friday: 0425 BST / 0525 CEST 0855 IST 1125 CST, MT, SGT 1225 JST / 1425 AEDT		Remaining guests join the Zoom call.
Thursday: 2030 PDT / 2330 EDT Friday: 0430 BST / 0530 CEST 0900 IST 1130 CST, MT, SGT 1230 JST / 1430 AEDT	Director, James Arroyo, opens the conference, <i>invites everyone to mute their microphone and turn on their video, and explains the procedure for the day.</i> PLENARY SESSION I How can strategic competition and strategic collaboration be best balanced in the region? After introductory remarks, the ‘floor will be opened’ for interventions from the participants who should use the ‘ Hand Raise ’ function in Zoom or raise their nameplate if they are in the room, to indicate their wish to speak.	

	<i>Your active participation in the discussion is encouraged. Remote guests : please familiarise yourself ahead of the conference with the location of the Hand Raise button: depending on your device, it is usually found under the 'Reactions' menu; under 'Participants', next to your name; or under 'More' on mobile devices.</i>	
0625 BST	Director provides explanation for the remainder of the day's programme.	
Thursday: 2230 PDT	Break (25 minutes)	
Friday: 0130 EDT / 0630 BST 0730 CEST / 1100 IST 1330 CST, MT, SGT 1430 JST / 1630 AEDT		
	In-person guests	Remote guests
Thursday: 2255 PDT	In-house guests take their seats in their break-out rooms	Guests re-join the Zoom call using the <u>same</u> Zoom link.
Friday: 0655 BST / 0755 CEST 1125 IST 1355 CST, MT, SGT 1455 JST / 1655 AEDT		
Thursday: 2300 PDT	Following introductory remarks from the Director, remote participants will be transferred into their Zoom break-out rooms.	
Friday: 0700 BST / 0800 CEST 1130 IST 1400 CST, MT, SGT 1500 JST / 1700 AEDT	<p><i>Please be ready to engage in active discussion and as a courtesy to your fellow group members, please keep your video on and multi-tasking to a minimum.</i></p> <p>Session One: Working Group discussion</p> <p>Group A: Promotion of the rule of law, human rights and stability</p> <p>Group B: Promotion of innovation, development and economic growth, and climate change</p> <p>Group C: Promotion of stability and management of flashpoints</p>	

Friday: 0030 PDT / 0830 BST 0930 CEST / 1300 IST 1530 CST, MT, SGT 1630 JST / 1830 AEDT	Working Group discussion closes (<u>hard stop</u>)	
0830 BST	Breakfast, followed by free time (for rest, catching up on emails or a walk in the grounds)	Break
Friday: 1015 BST / 1115 CEST 1445 IST 1715 CST, MT, SGT 1815 JST / 2015 AEDT	<i>Ditchley host opens Zoom call early, for those who would like to check their connection or who have a question.</i>	
1020 BST	In-person guests take their seats in their break-out rooms	
Friday: 1025 BST / 1125 CEST 1455 IST 1725 CST, MT, SGT 1825 JST / 2025 AEDT	Guests re-join the Zoom call using the <u>same</u> Zoom link.	
Friday: 1030 BST / 1130 CEST 1500 IST 1730 CST, MT, SGT 1830 JST / 2030 AEDT	<p>Following introductory remarks from the Director, remote participants will be transferred into their Zoom break-out rooms.</p> <p><i>Please be ready to engage in active discussion and as a courtesy to your fellow group members, please keep your video on and multi-tasking to a minimum.</i></p> <p>Session Two: Working Group discussion</p> <p>Group A: Promotion of the rule of law, human rights and stability</p> <p>Group B: Promotion of innovation, development and economic growth, and climate change</p> <p>Group C: Promotion of stability and management of flashpoints</p>	
Friday: 1200 BST / 1300 CEST 1630 IST 1900 CST, MT, SGT 2000 JST / 2200 AEDT	Working Group discussion closes (<u>hard stop</u>)	

	In-person guests	Remote guests
	Lunch, followed by free time (for rest, catching up on emails or a walk in the grounds)	
1350 BST	Guest take their seats in the Library	
Friday: 0555 PDT / 0855 EDT 1355 BST / 1455 CEST 1825 IST 2055 CST, MT, SGT 2155 JST / 2355 AEDT		Guests re-join the Zoom call using the <u>same</u> Zoom link.
	Reports: <i>The Rapporteur and Chair of each group will report back, briefly, on the main points, as they see them, to have emerged from their Working Group's discussion. (More detailed summaries will be circulated following the conference.)</i>	
Friday: 0600 PDT / 0900 EDT 1400 BST / 1500 CEST 1830 IST 2100 CST, MT, SGT 2200 JST / 0000 AEDT	PLENARY SESSION II: Presentation of Group A, B and C's discussions (20 minutes per group)	
Friday: 0700 PDT / 1000 EDT 1500 BST / 1600 CEST 1930 IST 2200 CST, MT, SGT 2300 JST Saturday: 0100 AEDT	PLENARY SESSION III: Conference Rapporteur presentation Closing remarks	
Friday: 0730 PDT / 1030 EDT 1530 BST / 1630 CEST 2000 IST 2230 CST, MT, SGT 2330 JST Saturday: 0130 AEDT	Coffee	Conference closes. <i>Remote guests welcome to re-join for post-conference debrief, details overleaf.</i>

	<p>The following portion of the programme will bring an invited audience from the wider Ditchley community, via Zoom, to hear a presentation of the of the main findings, lines of discussion and conclusions (if any) from the conference, and to participate in a Q&A.</p> <p>A separate Zoom link will be provided to our remote guests for this session, and all conference guests are welcome to re-join for this discussion, if they would like to do so.</p>	
	In-person guests	Remote guests
1600 BST	In-house guests take their seats in the Library for Director's briefing ahead of the post-conference debrief.	
0815 PDT / 1115 EDT 1615 BST / 1715 CEST 2045 IST	<p>Briefing for an invited Ditchley audience:</p> <p>The Indo-Pacific: how can the world best promote strategic stability, economic growth and the rule of law in the region?</p>	
0930 PDT / 1230 EDT 1730 BST / 1830 CEST 2200 IST	Briefing closes	
	Free time	
1830 BST	Drinks in the White Drawing Room	
1915 BST	Black Tie Dinner	

Day 3 – Saturday, 23 October

0800 BST **In-person guests:** Breakfast followed by departures

0900 BST Transport to Charlbury station for the 0927 train to Paddington (arrives 1039)

NOTE 1: **Luggage**

It is helpful if your luggage is labelled with your name, so that your luggage may more easily be directed on arrival and departure.

*Please place your baggage (other than hats, coats and hand luggage) outside your bedroom **by 8am** on Saturday, so that it may be collected and brought to the Hall. Individual arrangements will be made should anyone need to leave earlier.*

Please note: Luggage will be arranged in the Hall according to whether you are travelling to the station or by car. Please check that your luggage is in the correct place prior to your departure and avoid placing belongings in the vicinity of luggage destined for the station.

NOTE 2: **Internet Access**

Wi-fi is available throughout the ground floor of the main house. The network name is 'Ditchley Guest' and no password is required