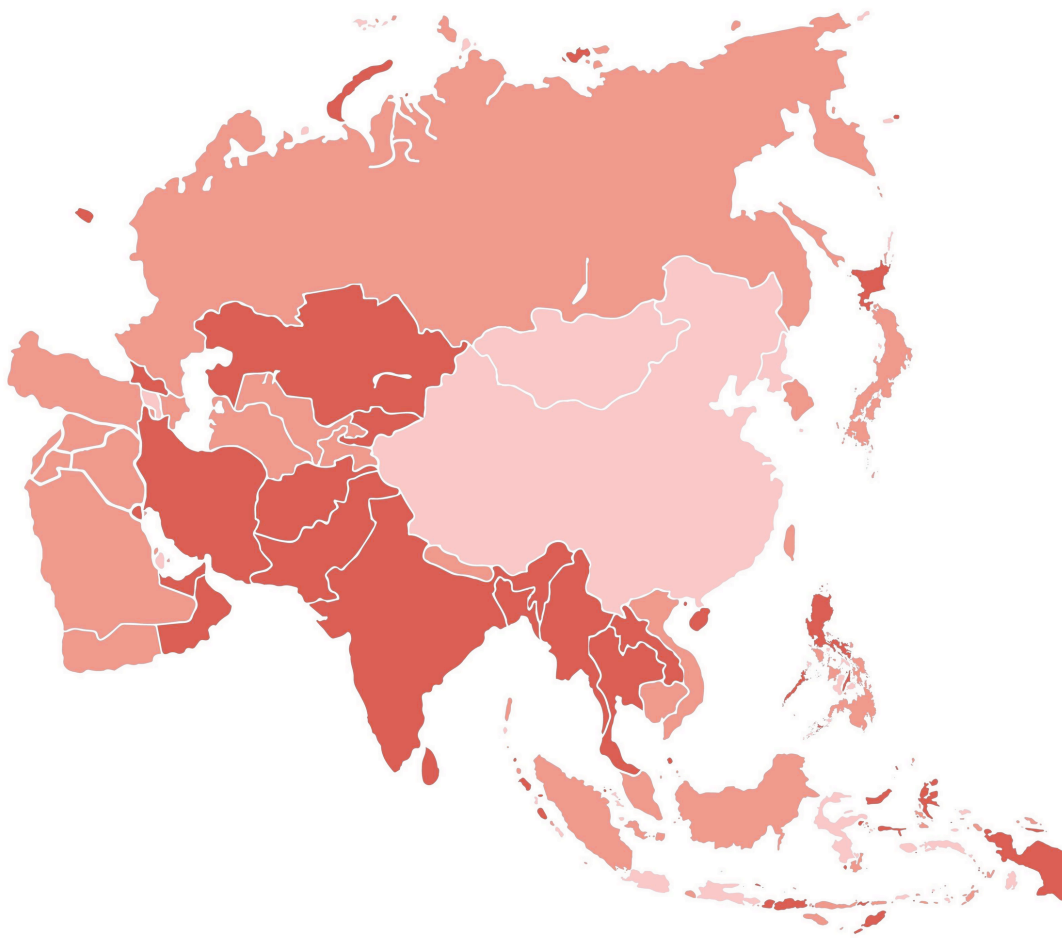


# Trump 2.0: US Policy Towards Asia

Online Conference  
6th & 7th November 2025



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## Conference Programme

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15.45–16.45: **Central Asia: Influence, Autocracy and Balancing Russia**

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### India and South Asia: Regional Stability and Development

**Moderator:** Dr Kamran Bokhari – Adjunct Assistant Professor, Georgetown University

Panel:

- Michael Kugelman – Senior Fellow, Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada
  - Dr Rudra Chaudhuri – Director, Carnegie India
  - Dr Jivanta Schottli – Director, Ireland India Institute
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### China: Geopolitics, Economics and the Global Order

**Moderator:** Professor Kerry Brown – Director, Lau China Institute, Kings College London

Panel:

- Professor Steve Tsang – Director, SOAS China Institute
  - Dr James Char – Assistant Professor, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies
  - Dr Yun Sun – Senior Fellow & Director, China Programme, Stimson Centre
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### Central Asia: Influence, Autocracy and Balancing Russia

**Moderator:** Sophie Ibbotson – Chairman, RSAA & Development Consultant, World Bank

Panel:

- Annette Bohr – Associate Fellow, Russia and Eurasia Programme, Chatham House
- Temur Umarov – Fellow, Carnegie Russia Eurasia Centre
- Professor Luca Anceschi – University of Glasgow



## Session 2 – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November

### Southeast Asia: Dynamism and Geopolitical Hedging

**Moderator:** Dr Bill Hayton – Editor, Asian Affairs & Associate Fellow, Chatham House

Panel:

- Elina Noor (TBC) – Senior Fellow, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
  - Dr Prashanth Parameswaran – Senior Columnist, The Diplomat
  - Professor Ann Marie Murphy – Director, Center for Foreign Policy Studies, SHU
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### Middle East: Syria, Gaza, Iran and the Future of the Region

**Moderator:** Dr James Ryan – Executive Director, Middle East Research & Information Project

Panel:

- Dr Burcu Ozcelik – Senior Research Fellow, Middle East Security, RUSI
  - Steven A Cook – Eni Enrico Mattei Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations
  - Dr Lina Khatib – Associate Fellow, Chatham House
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### East Asia: Taiwan, North Korea and Regional Security

**Moderator:** Dr Edward Howell – Lecturer, University of Oxford

Panel:

- Shihoko Goto – Senior Fellow, Mansfield Foundation
- Dr Sung-Yoon Lee – Principal Fellow, Sejong Institute
- Yuki Tatsumi – Senior Fellow & Director, Japan Program, Stimson Center

