

## 6TH ANNUAL HELSINKI SUMMER SESSION

### RISING RIVALRY? US-CHINA RELATIONS IN AN AGE OF COMPETITION

August 26-28, 2019  
Helsinki

26 AUGUST, MONDAY

15:30-17:30 **Writer's session** (closed session) (**Arkadiankatu 23 B**)

27 AUGUST, TUESDAY

**Open session at the Mirror Room, Kämp Hotel (Kluuvikatu 2)**

08:45-09:00 Opening remarks by **Teija Tiilikainen**, Director, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs and **Mika Aaltola**, Programme Director, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs

09:00-11:00 **Panel I: US-China relations: friction and engagement**

**Charles Kupchan**, Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations

**Valerie Niquet**, Head of Asia Department, Fondation pour la recherche stratégique

**Deborah McCarthy**, Visiting Senior Fellow, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs

*Chair:* **Teija Tiilikainen**, Director, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs

11.15-13.15 **Panel II: Deterrence, arms control and non-proliferation** (Closed session), Kämp Paavo Nurmi cabinet

**Frank Rose**, Senior Fellow, Brookings

**Morgane Farghen**, Project Manager for Strategic Affairs, France's Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission (CEA)

**Michelle Howard**, Visiting Professor, Vice Associate Professor, George Washington University

**Mikko Hyppönen**, Chief Research Officer, F-secure

*Chair:* **Leo Michel**, Visiting Senior Fellow, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs

15.00–17.00 **Panel III: Geoeconomics** (Closed session), Arkadiankatu 23 B, 5th floor

**Clara Portela**, Senior Associate Analyst, EUISS

**Christian Fjäder**, Director for Planning and Analysis Department, National  
Emergency Supply Agency

**Mikael Wigell**, Senior Research Fellow, the Finnish Institute of International  
Affairs

*Chair:* **Tuuli Koivu**, chief economist, Nordea

## **28 AUGUST, WEDNESDAY**

9.00– 11.00 **Panel IV: 5G and AI, problems and potential** (closed session), Arkadiankatu 23 B, 5th  
floor

**Sven Sakkov**, Director, International Centre for Defence and Security

**Christopher Rowley**, Consultant, Demos Helsinki

**Björn Fägersten**, Head of Programme and Senior Research Fellow, the Swedish  
Institute of International Affairs

*Chair:* **Mika Aaltola**, Programme Director, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs

## **Open session at the Mirror Room, Kämp Hotel (Kluuvikatu 2)**

12.30–14.30 **Panel V: US alliances in the Indo-Pacific** (Open session)

**Liselotte Odgaard**, Visiting Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute

**Lynn Kuok**, Senior Research Fellow, University of Cambridge

**Sanjay Chaturvedi**, Professor, South Asian University

**James J. Przystup**, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for National Strategic Studies

*Chair:* **Bart Gaens**, Senior Research Fellow, the Finnish Institute of International  
Affairs

15.00–17.00 **Panel VI: Geostrategic Competition in the fields of Connectivity and Infrastructure**  
(Open session)

**Xing Li**, Professor, Aalborg University

**Ville Varjola**, Ministerial Adviser, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

**Gudrun Wacker**, Senior Fellow, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik

*Comments:* **Julie Chen**, Professor, University of Helsinki

*Chair:* **Mika Aaltola**, Programme Director, the Finnish Institute of International Affairs