

RUSI International Sea Powers Conference: A European Net Assessment of the PLA(N)

Thursday, 23rd February 2017
RUSI, 61 Whitehall, London, SW1A 2ET

0830 **Registration**

0900 **Opening Remarks**

Speaker **Professor Malcolm Chalmers**, Deputy Director-General, RUSI

0915 - 1015 **Keynote Debate – The Sino-Europe Paradox:
military threat or economic partner?**

Chair **The Rt. Hon. the Lord Arbuthnot**, Senior Associate Fellow, RUSI
Speakers **Gideon Rachman**, Chief Foreign Affairs Commentator, Financial Times
 The Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Rifkind, Senior Associate Fellow, RUSI

1015 - 1045 **Coffee**

1045 - 1200 **A Net Assessment of Chinese Naval Power, 2005 – 2030**

Chair **Vice Admiral (Retd) Peter Hudson**, former Commander of NATO Maritime Command
Speakers **Dr Peter Roberts**, Director, Military Sciences, RUSI
 Vice Admiral Umio Otsuka, President, Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force Command and Staff College

1200 - 1300 **Lunch**

1300 - 1415 **China’s Maritime Capabilities: shipbuilding, milestones and
technology**

Chair **Veerle Nouwens**, Research Analyst, RUSI
Speakers **Captain (Retd) James E. Fanell**, Government Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy
 Captain Patrick Hollen, Director, Asia-Pacific Advisory Group, United States Navy
 Dr Alessio Patalano, Senior Lecturer in War Studies, King’s College London

1415 - 1500 **Chinese Military Milestones: enabling capabilities**

Chair **Michael Codner**, Senior Research Fellow, RUSI
Speakers **Dr Sarah Kirchberger**, Head of the Center for Asia-Pacific Strategy and Security,
 Institute for Security Policy Kiel University (ISPK)
 Dr Jonathan Ward, Research Associate, Changing Character of War Programme, University of Oxford

1500 - 1530 **Break**

1530 – 1700 **Chinese Maritime Doctrine, Training, Operations and Intent**

Chair **Dr Peter Roberts**, Director, Military Sciences, RUSI
Speakers **Captain Dr Gurpreet S Khurana**, Executive Director, National Maritime Foundation
 Veerle Nouwens, Research Analyst, RUSI
 Bonji Ohara, Director of Research, The Tokyo Foundation

1700 - 1710 **Closing Remarks**

Speaker **Dr Peter Roberts**, Director, Military Sciences, RUSI