

Public Forum

Regional Architecture and Framework for Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific

With rising tensions in East Asia, does it still make sense to think about cooperation in the Asia-Pacific in terms of regional architectures today? What are the challenges facing efforts at building institutions and regimes for the region and how can they be overcome? What can be a useful approach to managing relations in the region? Leading the conversation are three prominent thinkers of international relations today.



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