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The Asan Plenum 2014, “Future of History”

- On April 22-23 at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, Seoul

- The Asan Institute for Policy Studies will host the *Asan Plenum 2014* on April 22(Tue.) – 23(Wed.) at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Seoul.
- The Conference will bring together leading experts and scholars on security and foreign affairs. High-level key speakers include:
 - James Steinberg, former Deputy Secretary of State
 - Robert Einhorn, former Special Adviser on Nonproliferation at the State Department
 - Victor Cha, former Director of Asian Affairs for the U.S. National Security Council
 - Yan Xuetong, Dean of the Institute of Modern International Relations, Tsinghua University
- The two-day conference consists of 10 sessions. Five sessions on the 1st day will discuss on topics such as, “Back to History?”, “Back to History in East Asia?”, “Second Nuclear Age?”, “New Asian Economic Order”, and “Global Financial Order After 2008”. The second day will examine “East Asian Power Shift”, “China-US Strategic (Dis)trust”, “On North Korea”, and “Responsibility to History (R2H)”.

* Credentialed members of the press who would like to attend **must RSVP** to communications@asaninst.org with details including name, affiliation, and mobile number.

* Please be advised that Press Badges will be available at the Press Registration Desk.

* All sessions will be conducted in English but simultaneous interpretation will be available in sessions held in the grand ballroom.

About the Asan Institute for Policy Studies

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The Asan Plenum 2014

“Future of History”

1. Host: The Asan Institute for Policy Studies (<http://en.asaninst.org/>)

2. Title: “Future of History”

3. Date and Time

- **Day 1:** Tuesday, April 22, 2014 / 09:30 ~ 18:45

- **Day 2:** Wednesday, April 23, 2014 / 09:00~18:30

4. Venue: The Grand Hyatt Hotel in Seoul

5. Plenum Agenda

(click on the link below for the updated full program):

http://en.asaninst.org/events_category/asan-plenum/sub_category/program/

6. Related Websites:

The Asan Institute for Policy Studies: www.en.asaninst.org/

The Asan Plenum: www.asanplenum.org

Appendix 2

Key Participants

(*in alphabetical order)

- **Chen Zhimin** (Fudan University)
- **Cheng Xiaohe** (Renmin University of China)
- **Douglas H. Paal**
(Vice President for Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace)
 - Former director of Asian Affairs, senior director and special assistant to the president, National Security Council
- **Edwin J. Fuelner** (The Heritage Foundation)
- **Francois Godement** (European Council on Foreign Relations)
- **Greg Scarlatoiu** (Executive Director, Committee for Human Rights in North Korea)
- **James Steinberg** (Dean, Maxwell School, Syracuse University)
 - Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State (principal deputy to Secretary Clinton)
 - Former Deputy National Security Advisor to President Clinton
- **Kai-Olaf Lang** (German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP))
- **Robert Einhorn** (Brookings Institution)
 - former Special Adviser on nonproliferation at the State Department
- **Victor Cha** (Center for Strategic and International Studies)
 - a former Director of Asian Affairs for the U.S. National Security Council
- **Yan Xuetong** (Tsinghua University)

For the complete list of participants and their bios, please visit,

http://en.asaninst.org/events_category/asan-plenum/