

Climate change and National Security

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Overview

Climate change has meant that security of all countries is inextricably bound not only to their own climate security but to that of their neighbour states, requiring a shift in diplomacy in foreign policy agendas. Climate change and an increasingly deteriorating environment is resulting in far more than water scarcity, stress on food and agricultural products, rising sea levels, and floods and droughts. They are also resulting in unexpected impacts on the integrity of the borders of countries which neighbours are at risk of climate-related crises. In order to maintain this integrity, countries in the Global North will have to increase their economic and technical support, as well as humanitarian efforts, to assist the Global South to develop strategies that help them become more resilient. Failure to do so could create problems that ultimately threaten their own interests and perpetuate a chain of reactions that will affect them one way or another.

About the Speaker

Dr. Cecilia Tortajada is Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Water Policy, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, Singapore. The main focus of her work at present is impacts of global changes on water resources, environment, food, and energy. She has been an advisor to major International institutions like FAO, UNDP, JICA, ADB, OECD and IDRC, and has worked in countries in Africa, Asia, North and South America and Europe on water and environment-related policies. She is the author and editor of more than 30 books by major international publishers. Her work has been translated into Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, French, German, Hindi, Japanese and Spanish languages.



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It works collaboratively with a wide variety of water-related organizations in the region to build capacity and enhance cooperation, while boosting investment at the regional level and beyond.

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