

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
September 17, 2012

Contact: Sonia Luthra
Assistant Director, Outreach
Phone: (202) 347-9767
Email: media@nbr.org

NEW REPORT ON ASIA'S INFLUENCE ON OIL AND GAS GEOPOLITICS

Washington, D.C. – The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR) is pleased to release its 2012 Energy Security Report “[Oil and Gas for Asia: Geopolitical Implications of Asia's Rising Demand](#).”

Asia’s rapid growth is fueling an enormous rise in global oil and gas consumption. Given the continuing anxiety over energy prices and the reliability of future supplies, this report examines how Asia’s growing energy consumption is shaping the strategic and economic agendas of the United States and regional powers.

Issues addressed include:

(1) “Asia's New Role in Global Energy Security” – John V. Mitchell, Chatham House

How historic shifts in demand for oil and gas supplies are affecting global markets, and what this means for U.S. interests – and influence – in energy geopolitics

(2) “China and Iran: Energy and/or Geopolitics” – Zha Daojiong, Peking University

How Beijing views U.S.-led efforts to use oil sanctions to intensify pressure on Iran, China’s own relationship with Iran, and the road ahead for U.S.-China energy cooperation

(3) “Do Overseas Investments by National Oil Companies Enhance Energy Security at Home? A View from Asia” – Philip Andrews-Speed, Energy Studies Institute of the National University of Singapore

Whether state support for the overseas expansion of Asian national oil companies increases a country’s energy security and harms U.S. energy security

(4) “Asia's Post-Fukushima Market for Liquefied Natural Gas: A Special Focus on Japan” – Tomoko Hosoe, FACTS Global Energy

How Japan’s demand shock and the region’s shifting sourcing for LNG supplies are reshaping Asian LNG markets

(5) “The Geopolitics of Asia's Rising Oil and Gas Demand: Conclusions and Implications for the United States” – Mikkal E. Herberg, NBR

What the United States, Asia, and other key stakeholders can do to strengthen oil and gas security

The report is available for download on [NBR's website](#). To request interviews with the authors, please contact Sonia Luthra at (202) 347-9767 or media@nbr.org.

For more information about current and upcoming energy research and events, access [NBR's Energy Security Program](#).

###

Founded in 1989 with a major grant from the Henry M. Jackson Foundation, NBR is an independent, nonpartisan research institution committed to informing and strengthening policy in the Asia-Pacific. NBR also helps train the next generation of scholars who concentrate on Asia.