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# Can We Move Beyond Disputes in the South China Sea?

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University of New England  
Armidale, NSW, Armidale



Inspired by the sea anemone and the clownfish, this roundtable explores symbiotic relationships that could be developed in the South China Sea

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1 August 2016, G02 Board Room, CB Newling Campus  
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9:00 – 9:30

Coffee/Tea

9:30 – 9:45

**Opening Session**

Welcoming remarks: **Professor Mark Lunney**, Chair of Research Committee,  
School of Law, University of New England, Australia

Introduction: **Dr Nengye Liu**, Senior Lecturer, School of Law,  
University of New England, Australia

9:45 – 11:00

**Is There a Super Rare Pokémon in the South China Sea?**



Vaporeon by wolfeiz, <http://wolfeiz.deviantart.com/art/Vaporeon-388742386>

Chair: **Dr Saiful Karim**

**Dr Michael White**, Adjunct Professor, T.C Beirne School of Law,  
University of Queensland, Australia

The Importance of the South China Sea as a Sea Lane for Shipping

**Dr Bin Li**, Lecturer, Newcastle Law School, University of Newcastle, Australia  
China's Historic Rights in the South China Sea

**Associate Professor Matthew Stubbs**, Adelaide Law School,  
University of Adelaide, Australia  
Dredge your way to China? The Legal Significance of Chinese  
Construction in the South China Sea

**Dr Jeffery McGee**, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law and Institute for Marine  
and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Australia  
Balance of Power and the Role of International Law in the South China Sea

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11:15 – 12:45 **What Does the *Philippines v. China* Arbitration Mean for the Future of the South China Sea?**

Chair: **Professor Shirley Scott**

**Dr Lowell Bautista**, Lecturer, School of Law, University of Wollongong, Australia  
The Philippines v. China Arbitration in the South China Sea

**Professor Anthony Cassimatis**, T.C Beirne School of Law, University of Queensland, Australia  
Potential Implications of the Philippines v. China Arbitration for Public International Law

**Mr Muhammad Taufan**, PhD Candidate, Flinders Law School, Flinders University, Australia  
Asserting Indonesia's Stance on Recent Development in the South China Sea

**Dr Same Varayudej**, Lecturer, School of Law, University of New England, Australia  
A Thai Perspective on South China Sea Disputes

**Dr Cameron Moore**, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of New England, Australia  
The Use of Force and Freedom of Navigation in the South China Sea

12:45 – 13:45 **Lunch Break**

13:45 – 15:00 **How Can We Build Peace in the South China Sea?**

Chair: **Dr Cameron Moore**

**Professor Shirley Scott**, School of Social Sciences,  
University of New South Wales, Australia  
China, the South China Sea, and the Antarctic Analogy

**Professor Liyan Yang**, School of International Law,  
Southwest University of Political Science and Law, China  
Upgrading China-ASEAN Free Trade Agreement for South China Sea Cooperation

**Dr Saiful Karim**, Senior Lecturer, School of Law,  
Queensland University of Technology, Australia  
Maritime Terrorism and Maritime Security in the South China Sea

**Mr Peter Cai**, Research Fellow, Lowy Institute for International Policy, Australia  
China's 'One Belt and One Road' Initiative and the South China Sea Region

**Dr Edwin Bikundo**, Senior Lecturer, Griffith Law School, Griffith University, Australia  
An East African Perspective of South China Sea Disputes (video)



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15:00 – 15:15      **Short Break**

15:15 – 15:55      **How Can We Protect the Marine Environment in Disputed Waters?**  
Chair: **Dr Nengye Liu**

**Professor Jianwei Zhang**, Law School, Tianjin University, China  
Marine Environmental Protection in the South China Sea, a Chinese Perspective

**Dr Michelle Lim**, Lecturer, Griffith Law School, Griffith University, Australia  
The Potential for Condominium Arrangements in the South China Sea

15:55 – 16:15      **Future Collaboration Plans**  
Chair: **Dr Nengye Liu and Dr Saiful Karim**

Chatham House Rules will apply.

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