

VIETNAM ACADEMY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
THE INSTITUTE FOR INDIAN AND SOUTHWEST ASIAN STUDIES

CALL FOR PAPER
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

To:

Vietnam Institute for Indian and Southwest Asian Studies is going to organize the international conference on the theme: **“India - China strategic competition and its impacts on other countries”**.

The conference is based on the consideration that India and China are two powerful emerging powers with increasing national synergy. Their position has been constantly enhanced in the international arena. In the 21st century, the competition between India and China in the regional and global arena has increased dramatically in both scope and intensity. Both India and China want to increase its presence and influence in the regions which has led to a strategic competition between the two countries. Although the India – China strategic competition may have brought about certain opportunities for other countries, it has also causes lots of challenges and difficulties for countries in securing their national interests and balance of power. This has hindered the process of regional and inter-regional integration as well as the regional security architecture building. It can be seen that India - China strategic competition will play an important role in shaping the regional scenario in the near future. In 2020, the strategic competition between India and China faces new turning points, due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic and the clashes taken place in the border of the two countries since May 2020. These events have caused concern for both sides, prompting each country to accelerate the creation of its own international cooperation mechanism, even strategic alliance to contain each other's influence.

The international conference on the theme **“India - China strategic competition and its impacts on other countries”** aims at discussing the India- China strategic competition’s driving factors and its nature; the impacts of the competition on the regions, on countries, on international laws and institutions; prediction of future scenarios and policy implications for Vietnam to increase its positive effects, minimize its negative effects.

On behalf of the organizing committee, I would like to invite you to contribute a paper on one of the following issues:

- (1) The concept of competition, strategic competition, the difference between competition and strategic competition, the forms and modes of strategic competition.
- (2) The basis of the formation of India-China strategic competition: calculations, interests and strategic objectives of the two countries; regional and international context ...

- (3) The major aspects/components of the India-China strategic competition, including competition for influence in the fields of politics, security, economy, science-technology, soft power, etc.; and results of the India-China strategic competition.
- (4) The impact of the India-China strategic competition on the development path and foreign policy of both countries.
- (5) Positive and negative impacts of the India-China strategic competition on relevant countries in the fields of trade, investment, security - defense, domestic and foreign politics, development strategy and cooperation opportunities of other countries.
- (6) Policy responses and recommendations for other countries.
- (7) Challenges that the India-China strategic competition poses for regional institutions such as: SAARC, ASEAN and for the structural shaping of the Indo-Pacific region.
- (8) Prospects/scenarios of India-China strategic competition until 2030
- (9) Policy implications for Vietnam in the context of the India-China strategic competition.
- (10) Other issues related to the conference's theme but have not been mentioned above.

Tentative Date and Venue of the Conference:

- Date: 27/11/2020.
- Venue: Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, No. 1, Lieu Giai Street, Ba Dinh District, Hanoi
- Language: Vietnamese and English

Submission guidelines:

- Abstract Submission Deadline: **September 15, 2020**
- Full paper Submission Deadline: **October 10, 2020**
- The paper should be in word document, 10-20 A4 pages, Times New Roman, size 12
- The papers should be submitted to Ms. Nguyen Thi Oanh at her email: nguyenoanh1010@gmail.com

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We are looking forward to your contribution.

Thank you!

Hanoi, August 25, 2020
Deputy Director-General

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