

List of NIDS Experts

As of 1 October 2025

Vice President for Academic Affairs	HYODO Shinji	Russia and Eurasia, East Asian Strategic Environment, International Security
Policy Studies Department		
Affiliation	Name	Areas of Expertise
Director	KIKUCHI Shigeo	U.S. military strategy, operational concepts, doctrine, and U.S. civil-military relations
Senior Fellow	HAYASHI Koichi	Studies in Japanese Legal Framework for National Defense; Policy Process Studies
Defense Policy Division	TAKAHASHI Sugio	Nuclear Deterrence, Contemporary Military Strategy, US-Japan Alliance, Space Security
	KOZUKA Ikuya	International relations and Security in the Middle East
	ISHIHARA Yusuke	International Relations of the Asia-Pacific, Japan's regional relations, the Yoshida Doctrine and its evolution
	MAEDA Yuji	International relations theory, international security, U.S.-China relations
	OGUMA Shinya	Japan's Security Policy, Indo-Pacific Security, Foreign Policy Analysis
Military Strategy Division	TERAUCHI Shinju	Air Force OPS, Team Building
	OGAWA Yasuhiro	Air Defense Strategy and Japan-US Joint Operations
	ROKUTAN Yoichiro	Chinese Defense Policy and Military Reform
	IKEGAMI Ryuzo	Strategy, Military Sociology, Organizational Theory
	OOI Kazunao	Naval Operations, Military Sociology
Global Security Division	ARAKAKI Hiromu	Nuclear deterrence, Nuclear proliferation, and U.S. security policy
	KAWAMURA Koki	Cyber, Electromagnetic, and Space domains and Emerging Technologies (ICT, AI, Drones)
	OHNISHI Ken	Compellence/Coercive diplomacy, Peace operations
	KIRIDORI Ryo	U.S. defense policy, International politics of the Asia-Pacific
	MOTOYAMA Isao	Formal Analysis of International Relations, Concession in Crisis Bargaining.
Cyber Security Division	ICHIMASA Sukeyuki	Arms Control, Disarmament and Non-proliferation, Security Studies
	HARADA Yu	Maritime Security, Cybersecurity (Cyberspace Governance)
	OSHITE Junichi	Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations, U.S. Security Policy
	SETO Takashi	Intelligence Studies, Cyber and Information Warfare, European security and defense
	YAMAGUCHI Akihiro	International Law and Cyber Security
	KANEKO Reito	Cyber and Cognitive Warfare, Deterrence Theory, Missile Strategy
	SASAKI Hayato	Cyber Threat Intelligence, Analysis of Cyber threat actors, Attribution, Incident Response (Primary duty: Threat analyst at JPCERT/CC)
Security Studies Department		
Affiliation	Name	Areas of Expertise
Director	IIDA Masafumi	China's foreign and security policies, Security of Indo-Pacific
Government and Law Division	NISHINO Masami	Middle East Area Studies, Islamist Extremism
	EIFUKU Seiya	International Law (Law of the Sea, Law of Armed Conflict, International Criminal Law), Criminal Law
	KOIKE Osamu	Korean Studies
	ARIE Koichi	Nuclear Strategy and Nuclear Deterrence, U.S. National Security Policy
Security and Economy Division	TOMIKAWA Hideo	Economic Security, Defense Industry · Defense Innovation, Political Economy in South-east Asia
	USHIWAKA Kengo	Cognitive Warfare
	KOBAYASHI Takashi	UN Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding (Policy, Operations, and Institutions)
	ONO Keishi	Military/Defense Economics, War Economic Thought
	AKIMOTO Shigeki	New Institutional Economics, Energy Security, Russia's Economy, Defense Technological and Industrial Bases, Climate Change and Security
	YOSHIDA Tomoaki	Middle East Area Studies (Security of Gulf and Yemen), Contemporary Yemeni Politics, Political & Military Strategy of the Houthis
	KIYOOKA Katsuyoshi	Defense Industrial Policy/ Technology and Security/ Arms Control
Regional Studies Department		
Affiliation	Name	Areas of Expertise
Director	SHOJI Tomotaka	Southeast Asia
China Division	MASUDA Masuyuki	Chinese Foreign Policy and Security; Indo-Pacific Geopolitics and Strategy
	SUGIURA Yasuyuki	Modern Chinese Diplomatic History, Cold War History in East Asia, PLA Studies
	YAMAGUCHI Shinji	China's Security Concept and Policy, Contemporary Chinese History
	YATSUZUKA Masaaki	Politics of China, China's diplomacy, International Relations in East Asia
	IGARASHI Takayuki	History of Cross-Strait Relations
	GOTO Yohei	China's diplomatic and security policy
Asia and Africa Division	WATANABE Takeshi	The Korean Peninsula's Security and Politics
	JINGUSHI Akira	African Politics and Security, Peacebuilding, Security Sector Reform
	IZUYAMA Marie	Indian foreign and security policy, International relations of South Asia
	ASAMI Asaki	Diplomacy and Security Studies on the Korean Peninsula
	TSUJITA Yuki	Philippine security policy and international relations in Southeast Asia

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America, Europe, and Russia Division	YAMAZOE Hiroshi	Security affairs concerning Russia, History of International Relations
	HASEGAWA Takeyuki	Russian Politics and Security Affairs, Russian Area Studies
	AITA Moriki	Security Surrounding China
	TANAKA Ryosuke	European Security
	AIZAWA Riho	U.S. foreign policy toward China, military coercion, the Indo-Pacific region

Center for Military History

Affiliation	Name	Areas of Expertise
Director	TACHIKAWA Kyoichi	Military History, History of International Relations, Francophone Studies
Military History Division	NAKAJIMA Shingo	History of Japanese Politics and Foreign Relations
	NAKAMURA Soichiro	Modern Japanese Military History, Security of the Balkan Peninsula, History of JGSDF
	IMADA Shogo	Joint Doctrine for the Armed Forces of the United States, Western War History
	HANADA Tomoyuki	Russian Political and Diplomatic History, Russian War History
	SHINDO Hiroyuki	Modern Japanese Military History, 2nd Sino-Japanese War
	SHIMIZU Ryotaro	International History, World War II
	FUJII Motohiro	Modern Chinese History, Second Sino-Japanese War
	MATSUO Koji	History of NATO, History of the Baltic States
	TERASHIMA Taro	History of Military Legislation
National Security Policy Division	KUTO Shinya	Modern Japanese Military History, 2nd Sino-Japanese War
	TSUKAMOTO Katsuya	Security Studies
	KUMAI Ryo	National Security Policy, Japan and Turkey
	TAMURA Osamu	History of Japan's Defense Policy, Military History of Modern Japan
	HIDA Daisuke	History of Japan's Defense Policy, History of Defense Buildup in the JGSDF.
	KAWASHIMA Takashi	Hybrid warfare, WPS (Women, Peace and Security)
	Tokuda Michiyuki	Military History of Modern Japan (Supreme command/ Military law of Japanese Army "GUNREI", Pacific War)
International Conflict Division	ITO Daisuke	Military Doctrine, Military History of Japanese Army and Navy Aviation, PLA Thought on Strengthening the Military
	CHIIWA Yasuaki	History of Japan's Defense Policy, War Termination
	NAKANISHI Akikazu	Russian Security, Intelligence
	ISHIDA Tomonori	History of Japan-US-ROK Relations, Postwar Japanese Diplomatic History
	ITO Nobuyoshi	European International History; British Diplomatic/Imperial History
	ISHIZU Tomoyuki	War Studies, European Military History, History of Strategic Thought
	KOTSUBAKI Seiji	Pacific War History, Imperial Japanese Air Force Operations
	ISHIHARA Akinori	Naval Military Logistics History, History of Japanese Arms Transfer
Military Archives	SHINPUKU Yuichi	Military History of Imperial Japanese Army and U.S. Army around 1990
	KANNO Naoki	Archival Science, Modern Japanese History
	MATSUBARA Jikichiro	Military History of Modern Japan (Imperial Japanese Army/Navy), Japanese Aviation History, International Security Studies, International Relations
	SAITO Tatsushi	Modern Japanese Military History
	YAMAGUCHI Masaya	Modern history of Japan

Directors

Director (International Exchange and Libraries)	Name	Areas of Expertise
Director (International Exchange and Libraries)	SUKEGAWA Yasushi	Defense Management, Civil-Military Relations
	IWATA Eiko	Gender Mainstreaming in the Security Sector, WPS Implementation in the Military, Women Empowerment
Director (Policy Simulation)	MATSUURA Yoshihide	Area Studies and Security Issues in Southeast Asia, Modern History of Malaysia/Singapore
Policy Simulation Division	KOJIMA Takayuki	Operations in System Communications (EM & Cyber) and Military Logistics
	HARADA Yu	Maritime Security, Cybersecurity (Cyberspace Governance)
	YATSUZUKA Masaaki	Politics of China, China's diplomacy, International Relations in East Asia

Senior Research Advisor

Senior Research Advisor	Name	Areas of Expertise
Senior Research Advisor	SHOJI Junichiro	Modern Japanese Military and Diplomatic History, War and Memory