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# WAR IN UKRAINE: IMPACT ON INDO-PACIFIC STRATEGIES

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**DATE:**

Thurs, 12 Sept, 2024

**TIME:**

1300 - 1500 (CST)

**LOCATION:**

Arnold Conf. Room,  
Lewis and Clark Center,  
Fort Leavenworth, KS

All welcome for the audience.

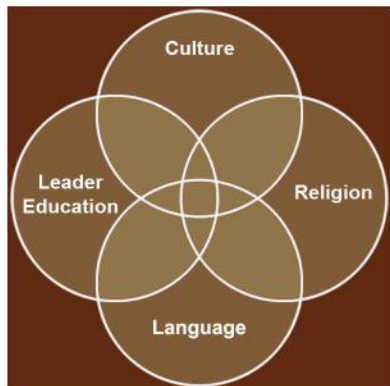
For outstations, the event will be available live on

CGSC's Facebook page at:

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# Organization and Capabilities



Source documents provide guidance for training in three broad areas.

- 1. Core Cultural Competencies:** Core cultural competencies include areas such as understanding culture, applying organizational awareness, cultural perspective taking, and cultural adaptability
- 2. Regional/Technical Competencies:** Regional/technical competencies deal with applying regional information and operating in a regional environment.
- 3. Leader/Influence Functions:** Leader/influence functions include strategic (cultural) agility, (cultural) systems thinking, cross-cultural influences, organizational cultural competence, and utilizing interpreters/advisors.

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# CULTURAL APPROPRIATION



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# War in Ukraine: Impact on Indo-Pacific: Key measures and considerations



**MILITARY REALIGNMENTS**

**ECONOMIC DISRUPTIONS**

**DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS**

**STRATEGIC ALLIANCES**

**HUMANITARIAN CONCERNS**

**TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES**



These measures highlight the complex interplay between a number of factors in shaping Indo-Pacific strategies in response to the conflict.

(1.)Theodora Ogden, Anna Knack, Melusine Lebret, James Black, Vasilios Mavroudis. The Role of the Space Domain in the Russia-Ukraine War: The Impact of Converging Space and AI Technologies. Accessed on 29 August 2024 at [https://www.rand.org/pubs/external\\_publications/EP70408.html](https://www.rand.org/pubs/external_publications/EP70408.html)



# **“Ukraine of today may be the East Asia of Tomorrow”**

(Mr. Fumio Kishida, Prime Minister of Japan)



**Colonel Satoshi Masaka (JGSDF)**

**Military Attaché  
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(U.S.- Japan alliance perspective  
Lessons from Russo-Ukrainian war)



**What does Russia get from PRC and DPRK?**



**What does Russia give to PRC and DPRK?**





**Russia's ongoing aggression against Ukraine is:  
A clear challenge to the international order**

**Russia-PRC / DPRK cooperation are:  
Deteriorating regional stability  
Undermining the global non-proliferation regime**



# War in Ukraine and Germany's policy towards the Indo-Pacific



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U.S. Army Command and General Staff College



## Germany's reaction to Russia's full-fledged invasion of Ukraine – “Zeitenwende”

- Substantial military, budgetary and humanitarian support for Ukraine
- NATO's 2 per cent goal – starting in 2024
- Substantial contribution to NATO's enhanced deterrence and defense posture: permanent deployment of a mechanized combat brigade to Lithuania
- First ever National Security Strategy
- 100 Billion Euro Special Fund – procurement program
- 1,1 Million Ukrainian Refugees welcomed in Germany
- Energy supplies from Russia terminated





## Germany's commitment to the Indo-Pacific

- Stability and security for the Indo-Pacific
- Rules-based international order (e.g. freedom of navigation)
- Annual Indo-Pacific deployment by German Armed Forces (Bundeswehr); Navy/Air Force alternating with Army
- Increase of military and political cooperation with Indo-Pacific partners – military cooperation agreement with the Philippines in August 2024
- German military liaison officer in the US Indo-Pacific-Command based in Hawaii
- Germany joined the UN Command (UNC) in Korea
- First ever China Strategy (“partner-competitor-systemic rival”)



# China's Lessons from the War in Ukraine



**Peter Wood – Senior China Analyst**  
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# The CCP & PLA are Learning Organizations

CCP leadership regularly holds study sessions to expose themselves to new technologies, ideas and social approaches

- Major initiatives including China's Military-Civil Fusion Strategy and quantum technology programs have resulted from these meetings<sup>1,2</sup>

The PLA carefully studies all recent conflicts from the Falklands to Ukraine

- Observations of these conflicts have helped shape modern PLA
- CCP regards study as way to leapfrog generations of equipment and tactics



PLA academic Institutions have been reorganized and improvements to 'military theory' (doctrine) received a significant mention in Xi's speech at the 20<sup>th</sup> Party Congress

**China will likely be more resistant to information and economic tools; PLA is seeing a 'preview' of the impact of Western military training & support**

# Lessons from Ukraine

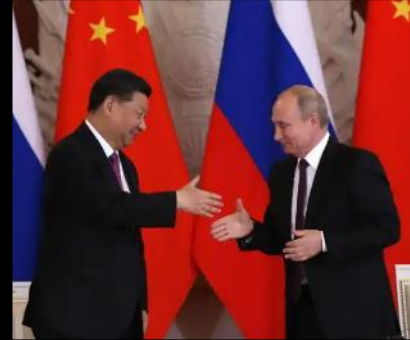


## Strategic

- The importance of effective information operations to shape and seize narrative at the beginning of conflict
- Necessity of 'economic hardening' to insulate PRC from sanctions and disruptions to grain and oil prices

## Operational

- Continuing vulnerability of modern command and control nodes
- Necessity of achieving multi-domain effects for maximum effect
- Mobility and counter mobility capabilities essential to exploiting enemy weaknesses and avoiding a stalemate



## Tactical

- Basic troop equipment, skills and discipline remain requisite for success on the battlefield
- Survivability of Western SAMs
- Absolute requirement for UAV reconnaissance and strike capabilities



The PLA is a learning organization and will take lessons learned from the Ukraine War IOT improve future operations.



**Questions / Answers / Comments**





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