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Building an Asia Pacific Community



THE EAST-WEST CENTER was established by the United States Congress in 1960 to "promote better relations and understanding between the United States and the nations of Asia and the Pacific region through cooperative study, education, and research."

The Center's programs focus on a specific institutional goal — to assist in creating an Asia Pacific community. Research, dialogue, educational activities, and public outreach incorporate both the Center's mission and the programmatic focus of building an Asia Pacific community.

The Center works to strengthen relations in the region and serves as a national and regional resource for information and analysis on Asia and the Pacific. It provides a meeting ground where people with a wide range of perspectives exchange views on topics of regional concern. Center staff members work with collaborating institutions and specialists from throughout the region. Since its founding more than 50,000 people have participated in Center programs. Many of these participants occupy key positions in government, business, journalism, and education in the region.

Officially known as the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West, the East-West Center is a public, nonprofit national and regional research and education institution with an international board of governors. Funding comes from the U.S. government in addition to support provided by private agencies, individuals and corporations, and a number of Asian and Pacific governments.

Located in Honolulu, three miles from Waikiki and adjacent to the University of Hawai'i, the Center's 21-acre campus includes conference facilities, a research and administration office building, and three residential halls.

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