Discussion Session: Proposal for Asia-Pacific Center (APC) in Okinawa

Panel 3.3: Okinawa is the Best Place for Asia-Pacific Center (APC)

Okinawa is called the keystone of Asia in terms of hard power approaches. However, I wish to change Okinawa as the keystone of Asia in terms of soft power approaches by establishing the Peace Center like East West Center of Hawaii in Okinawa.

Okinawa has many advantages for establishing the Peace Center (Asia-Pacific Center). Okinawa has a rich experience of exchanging with people of Asia, Hawaii and America in her history. Okinawa’s geographical location is near China, Southeast and Japan. Okinawan people love peace strongly because of their experiences with World War II.

The presentation introduces some of these advantages for establishing an organization like the EWC in Okinawa, Japan.