ISIC

THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP

Connecting People and Programs, Companies and Projects to Strengthen Security in the Indo-Pacific

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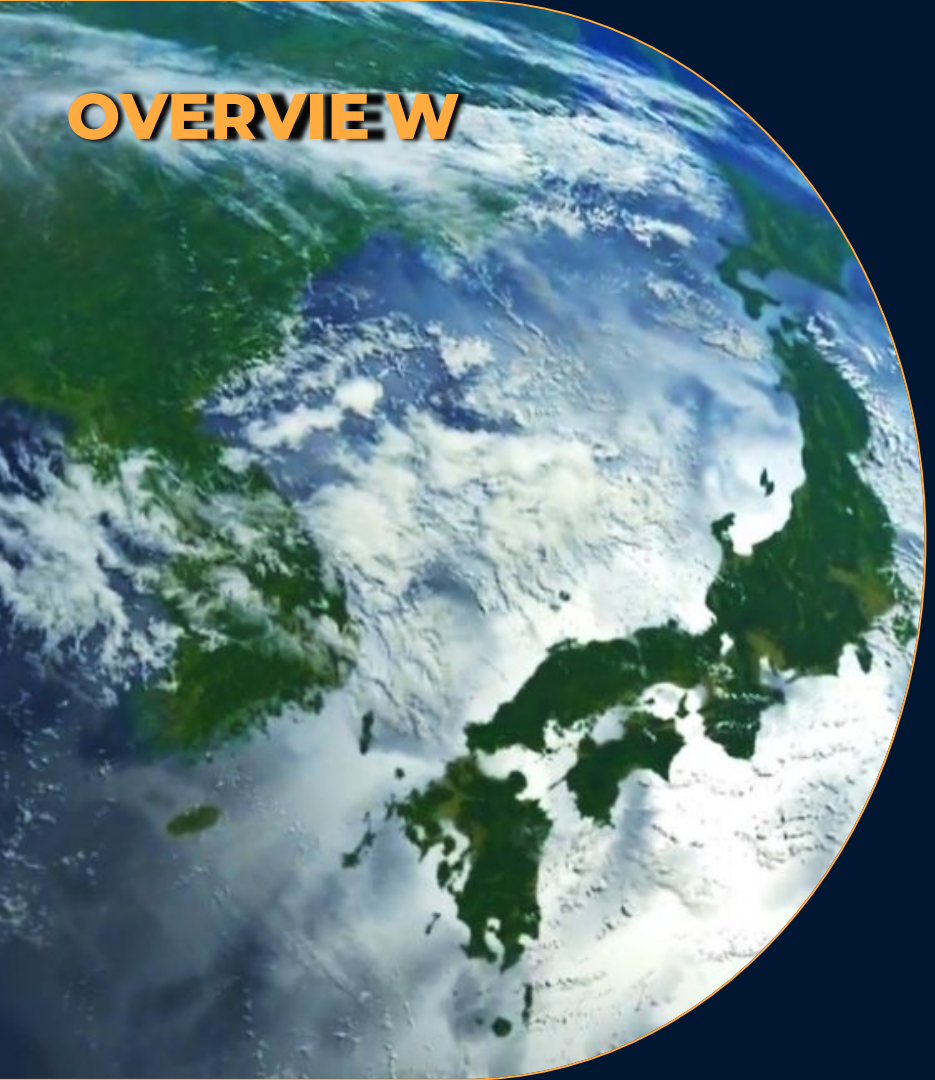


OVERVIEW

Japan lives in a dangerous neighborhood...

With nuclear-armed neighbors like **North Korea**, **Russia**, and **China**, Japan is sitting in geopolitical hot zone.

In recent years, the security threats from those nations have been growing in strength and sophistication, direct challenges to Japan's sea lanes, airspace, and cyberspace have increased in both frequency and intensity.

The government has responded with increases in defense spending, rapid acquisition pathways, and the promotion of exports. Japanese industry is looking for opportunities to join the global defense industrial base.

ISIC was created to help all parties – public and private, Japanese and foreign – to connect, communicate, and do business more effectively.

THE MISSION

ISIC Japan is an independent international B2B facilitator, with a focus on national security-related business. Our global team works to build industrial capacity in space, defense, and cybersecurity by fostering greater communication, cooperation, and working partnerships between public and private organizations in Japan and in allied nations.

ISIC helps to expand Japan's presence in global markets as a supplier, co-developer, provider of world-leading technologies, and a **partner of equals** to achieve mutual success. The goal is to open new markets and create new supply chains that leverage the development and application of dual-use technologies.

WHY IT MATTERS

Japan’s security environment is affected by constant military and cyber threats, changes in political leadership and public opinion, shifts in the global power balance, and economic and political uncertainties in the Indo-Pacific region.

However, in the Asian hemisphere, **Japan is the first line of defense** for the global democracies. Supporting its defense industrial base is in the interests of its friends, partners, and allies, 12 of whom are signatories to joint defense cooperation agreements with Tokyo.

In order for Japan to meet its obligations, the government must bring about a number of changes in foreign investment, corporate structures, tax incentives, industrial security, export controls, and acquisition regulations, among others. Reforms must be made to allow for trusted cooperation between domestic agencies and international partners.

ISIC’s objective is to foster collaboration and mutual understanding between Japan (both government and private sector) and its counterparts in NATO and the Indo-Pacific region.

OUR FOCUS: B2B

ISIC Japan is a **non-profit corporation**, managed by an **international team** to facilitate **business-to-business collaboration** between Japanese and foreign companies and between government agencies, with a focus on space and defense-related business in six core areas:

CO-VENTURES

JOINT DEVELOPMENT

MRO&U

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

IMPORTS / EXPORTS

INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATION

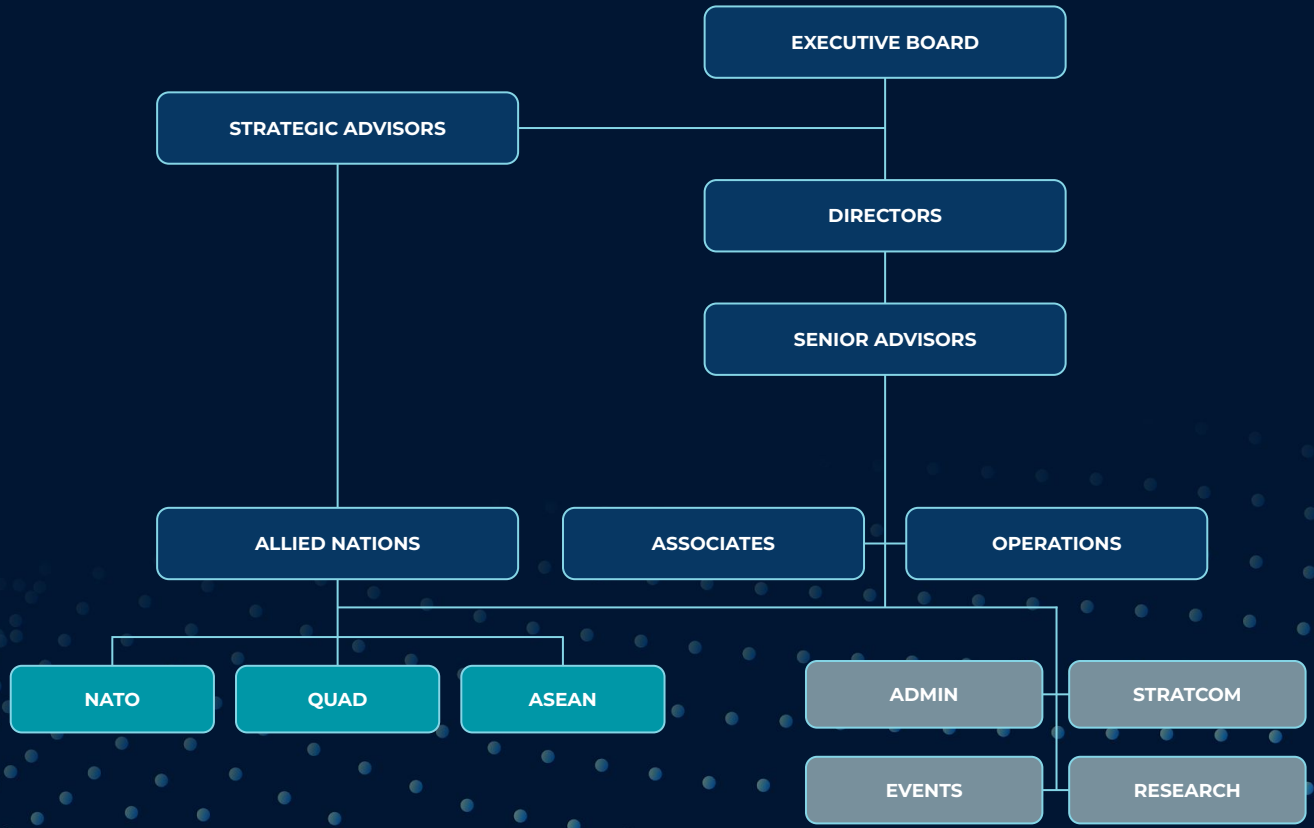
WHAT WE DO

ISIC Japan works with international corporations, governments, NGOs, academics, and militaries to organize workshops, meetings, and symposia. We produce national security-related events featuring expert speakers on critical issues that affect Japan and partner nations.

(Photo courtesy British Embassy Tokyo for Allied Women in Defence)

- **Organize seminars and workshops on critical issues facing the defense industrial base**
- **Arrange international trade missions and specific country dialogues**
- **Host frequent gatherings for members and guests, networking for national security**
- **Feature high-profile Defense Industry Forums with outstanding speakers and panelists**
- **Conduct on-demand surveys of industry trends, needs, and sentiments**
- **Provide opportunities for key players in industry and government to meet, exchange ideas, support existing businesses, and create new ones.**

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



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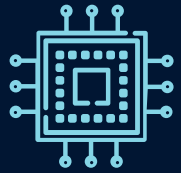

The Industry

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Government
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NGOs
Embassies

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Documents
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Research & Development
Public Diplomacy

Upcoming Events

Japan and regional

Calendar of Events

Domestic and International

FUNDING & SUPPORT

ISIC is an independent non-profit organization, not affiliated with any government agency or corporate entity.

Activities are financed by a combination of paid events, membership fees, program sponsorship, online subscriptions, and donations.

Other funding derives from:

International trade missions

Surveys and reports

Advisory services

Trainings and workshops

Specialized PR and Media Productions

Additional income from government awards, grants, and private foundations is under consideration.

MEMBERSHIP

ISIC Japan offers significant benefits for joining our network, including ongoing promotion by our communications team, business introductions to key players in ASEAN, NATO, QUAD, and the Middle East.

Members can receive individual consultation and support from ISIC Japan's experts in space and defense, including former government officials and military leaders, corporate management, and policy makers with extensive international experience.

Benefits include :

- Discount delegate fees for in-person ISIC symposia
- Sponsorship opportunities for a wide variety of events and webinars
- Opportunities to serve as moderator, speaker, or panelist at events
- Access to “Members Only” Resources and other proprietary information
- Complimentary invitations to select meetings and receptions
- Right to form or join committees, workshops, and subgroups
- Right to help determine strategic goals and initiatives

DEFENSE INDUSTRY FORUM

The “Defense Industry Forum” is a 75-minute webinar series in Japanese (with simultaneous interpretation into English), streamed live, featuring interactive Q&A from the audience. All programs and presentations are recorded for post-event distribution.

These webinars have attracted a worldwide audience. Attendees include legislators, senior government officials (METI, MOD, MOFA), prime contractors, SMEs, think tanks, academics, foreign defense attachés in Tokyo, and the media. Topics and program series include:

Japan’s Defense Industrial Base
Obstacles and Opportunities for Growth

Next Generation Fighter
The Promise of Partnership

SMEs on the Rise
Strengthening Defense Capacity

Advanced Manufacturing
Impact of New Materials and Processes

Industry Consolidation
Prospects for Mergers and Acquisitions

Preparing for the Unpredictable
Challenges for Japan’s National Security

Navigating the Japan-US Alliance
Security and Commercial Cooperation

The Missile Defense Debate
Emerging Threats and Solutions

Joint Development for Missile Defense
Japan’s Industrial Participation

Indo-Pacific Partnerships
The Commercial Imperative

Cyber and Electronic Warfare
Challenges of the Digital Era

The Challenge of Change
Japan's New Defense Policy

MULTINATIONAL BUSINESS DIALOGUE

Our democracies are all based on healthy, growing economies, which depend on free and open channels for trade, and meaningful international security agreements. Nowhere is this more true than in the Indo-Pacific region.

Japan has two dozen Economic Partnerships and Free Trade Agreements worldwide, and 12 bilateral security agreements in Europe and Asia-Pacific. The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue is an increasingly robust platform for the Indo-Pacific that embraces economic security as a foundation for defense.

Our Focus:

ASEAN
Focus on Economic and Security Assistance

NATO
Programs for Defense Industrial Cooperation

QUAD
Conversations between Japan, Australia, India, U.S.

SPACE INDUSTRY AND SECURITY

This is truly the final frontier. Satellite technology and space exploration provide new perspectives on our planet, our environment, and geopolitical situations, as well as opportunities to develop new technologies. Space inspires the next generation of artists, academics, politicians, engineers, and scientists.

Our series **Commanding Heights** addresses security issues and the huge potential of commercial space development. We focus on the need for both public and private sectors to collaborate and maximize efficiencies.

We discuss ways for governments to create compatible policies and support cooperative development. Our series covers national programs, regional cooperation, and global trends in defense, research, manufacturing, and related business.

JAPAN-INDIA

Deepening Ties: The relationship between Asia's leading democracies, India and Japan, has grown stronger over time. Their bilateral trade and military cooperation continue to expand. Mutual defense efforts began with the "Global Partnership between Japan and India" in 2000, leading to the creation of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (the Quad). In subsequent years, agreements on defense equipment, technology cooperation, and classified military information solidified their strategic partnership.

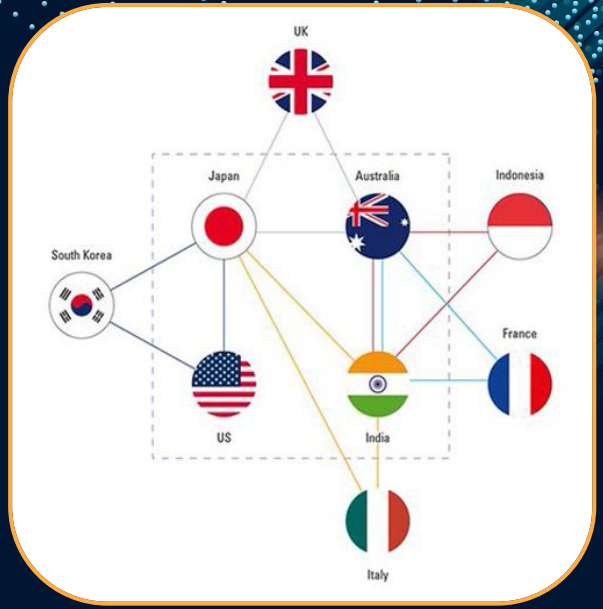
Industry Collaboration: In 2017, Indian and Japanese defense companies held their first direct meeting in Tokyo, followed by reciprocal visits. Side meetings at defense industry events further facilitated cooperation. Notably, the Reciprocal Provisions of Supplies and Services (ACSA) in 2020 injected new momentum into their relationship. Additionally, the Joint Working Group on Defense Equipment and Technology Cooperation (JWG-DETC) has met six times, fostering deeper ties.

Indo-Pacific Commitment: Both nations remain firmly committed to a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific." Their peacetime cooperation aims to ensure regional stability and security. As India and Japan strengthen their strategic alliance, they play pivotal roles in shaping the future of the Indo-Pacific region .

QUAD

Japanese leaders were the architects of the “Arc of Freedom and Prosperity” and of the Indo-Pacific concept itself. They saw that the Pacific and Indian oceans are connected, tying together interests from East Africa to the west coast of the Americas.

The US, Japan, India, and Australia form the core of the Quad alliance, and their cooperation is growing steadily, as are alliances with countries who share interests in this region. ISIC continues to be a prominent supporter of Quad-themed events and discussions, bringing together policy makers with experts in regional security.



Building alliances is a shared effort

NATO

NATO recognizes that stability in the Indo-Pacific region directly impacts Euro-Atlantic security. For this reason, NATO and Japan have been active partners since their 2013 joint declaration signaling bilateral cooperation. Current key areas of cooperation include cyber defense, humanitarian assistance, maritime security, disaster relief, and science & technology. ISIC is committed to supporting the NATO-Japan partnership as another step toward enhancing regional stability.

Connecting the Euro-Atlantic to the Indo-Pacific

OTHER PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

Boei Café

A Talk Show on
Japan's National Defense

Visit Youtube Channel

Cybersecurity

Building Confidence through
"Circles of Trust"

Allied Nations

Build by Design

Visit Website

Emerging Technology

Development and Deterrence

Regional Cooperation

Multinational Force Multiplier

DSEI 2019

Organized SME Networking

DSEI 2023

Arranged 6 Moderators
and Speakers

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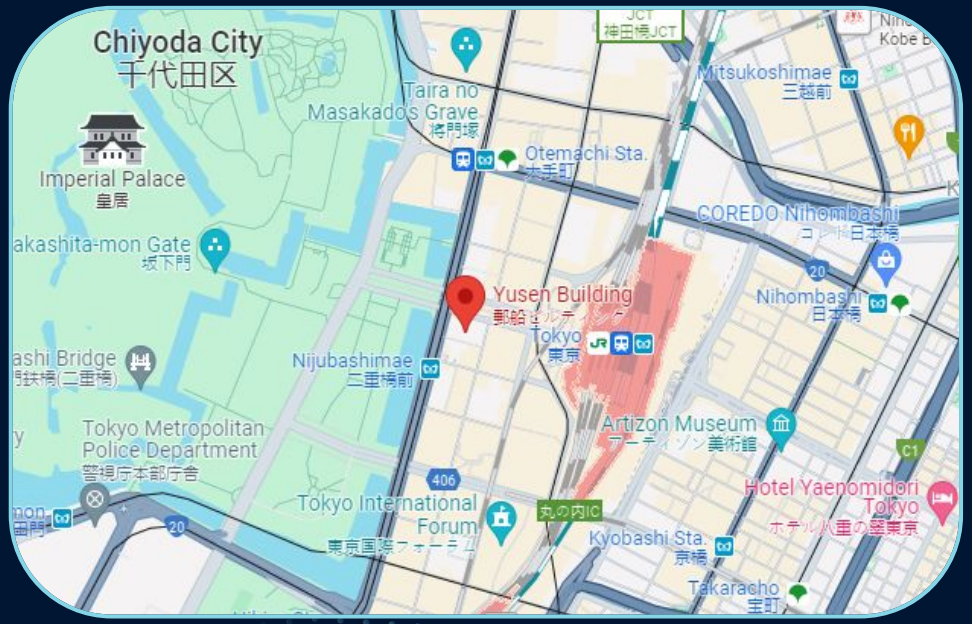

In the Indo-Pacific region

Japan is on the front line of defense

for democracies worldwide.

Join us to help build a peaceful
and resilient rules-based order.

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