

Joint Russian-Chinese Initiative on Strengthening Security in the Asia Pacific Region

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Recent Trends in Asia Pacific Security



Regionalisation



Multi-level economic integration



Trade liberalisation



Intra-regional cooperation



Facilitation of investment cooperation



Building of mutual cooperation and confidence

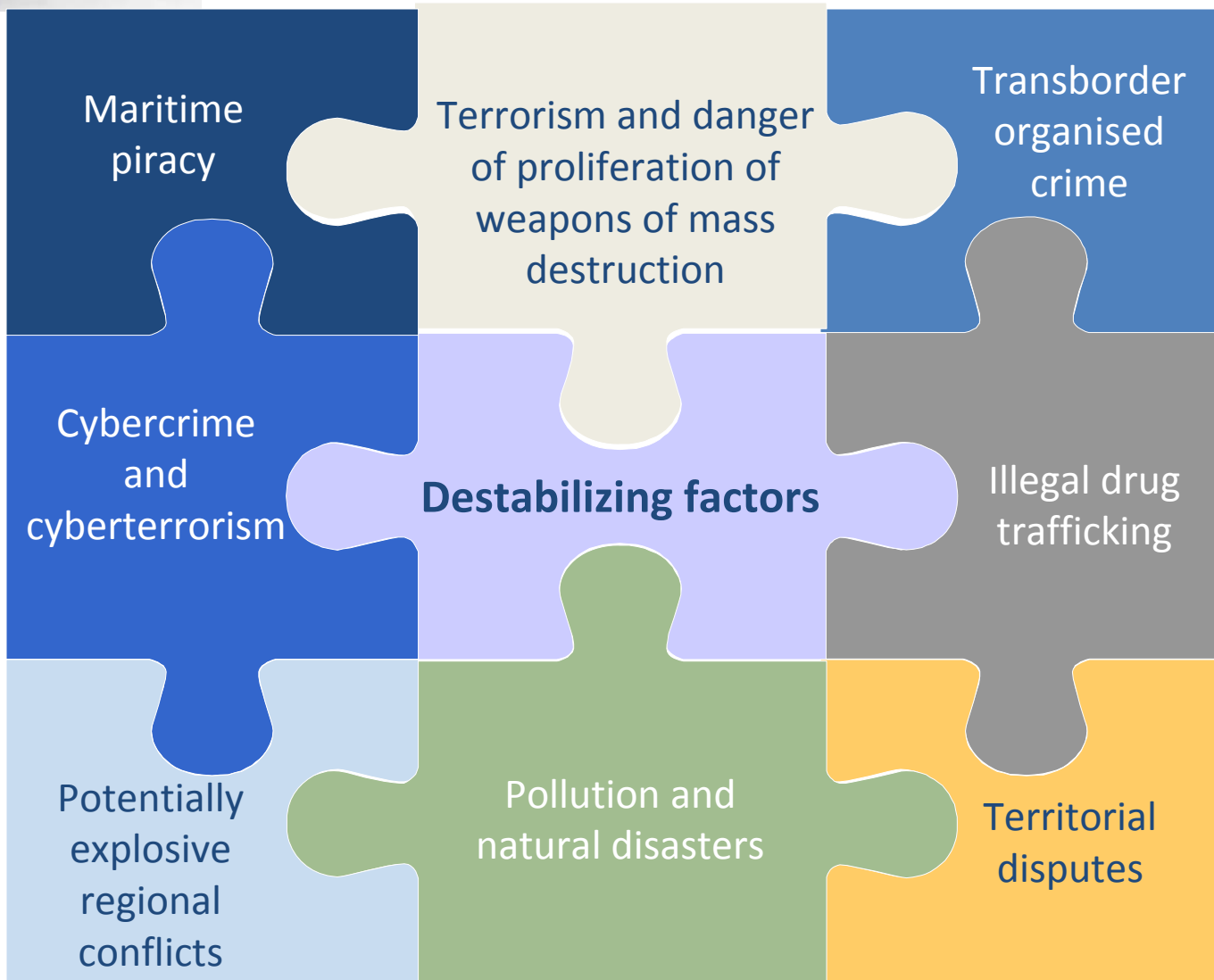


Positive background for
multilateral diplomacy efforts





Asia Pacific Security: Potential Threats





Asia Pacific Security: Current State

The existing regional security framework is based on the closed bilateral military alliances



Lack of well structured system of institutions and legal instruments of securing the regional military and political stability



Elaborate a new multidimensional, multi-layer architecture of security and development based on the principles of non-discrimination, transparency and international law

Adopt best practice in development of CBMs in multilateral regional groupings and fora as well as within the bilateral framework

Develop a network of partnerships among multilateral regional groupings and fora, anti-terrorist structures, information and management centres of disaster relief



Russian-Chinese Security Initiative

Strengthening of Security in Asia Pacific



Confirm the internationally recognized principles:

Equal and indivisible security

Peaceful settlements of international disputes

Non-use of force or threat of force

Other



Abandon the policy of confrontation and alliances against third countries



Initiate a pan-Asian dialogue and practical implementation of means aimed at establishment of an open, transparent and equitable security and cooperation architecture in Asia Pacific based on the legal, non-bloc framework and due consideration of interests of all states



Case Studies



- ✓ Agreement on Strengthening Confidence in the Military Sphere in the Border Areas between **the Russian Federation, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan and People's Republic of China** of 26 April 1996
 - Exchange of general information on military forces and border guards
 - Informing of military activities and planned military exercises
 - Invitation of military observers
- ✓ Agreement on Mutual Reduction of Military Forces in the Border Areas between **the Russian Federation, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan and People's Republic of China** of 24 April 1997
 - Observance of agreed limits of military forces and armaments within 100 km border area
 - Annual exchange of information based on the agreed upon protocol
 - Exchange of military inspections
- ✓ Exchange of military delegations, holding of joint trainings and military exercises provided for by the annual bilateral military cooperation programmes