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Research Interests

- Foreign policy analysis; international relations theory; international relations of Southeast Asia and the Asia-Pacific; foreign policies of Malaysia and the Philippines.

Academic Qualifications

- September 2018 – Present: PhD Candidate in International Relations, London School of Economics and Political Science.
 - Supervisor: Associate Professor Jurgen Haacke.
- July 2013 – January 2015: Master of Science in International Relations, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) (GPA: 4.64/5.00)
- July 2003 – June 2007: Bachelor of Social Sciences (Honors), National University of Singapore

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

1. Han, David. (2020). "The impact of foreign policy on GE14." *The Roundtable: The Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs*. Volume 109, Issue 2, pp. 173 – 192, doi: 10.1080/00358533.2020.1741885.
2. Han, David Guo Xiong. (2017). "Malaysian Foreign Policy Toward Singapore From Mahathir to Badawi and Najib: A Role Theory Assessment." *Asian Politics & Policy*, Volume 9, Issue 2, April, pp. 289 - 309, doi: 10.1111/aspp.12323.
3. Han, David Guo Xiong. (2017). "China's Normative Power in Managing the South China Sea Disputes." *The Chinese Journal of International Politics*. Volume 10, Issue 3, 1 September, pp. 269–297, doi: 10.1093/cjip/pox002.

RSIS Commentaries

1. Chan Xin Ying, and Han, David. (2017, October 11). Najib's United States Visit: What is Going On?" *RSIS Commentary*, No. 191.

2. Han, David. (2017, September 4). "Beyond 50: ASEAN's Role in the Evolving Regional Order." *RSIS Commentary* No. 159.
3. Han, David. (2017, May 15). "North Korea Threat: How Should ASEAN Respond?" *RSIS Commentary*, No. 094.
4. Han, David. (2017, April 12). "Kim Jong Nam's Death: What It Means For Malaysia." *RSIS Commentary*, No. 067.
5. Chong, Alan, and Han, David. (2017, February 2) "Foreign Policy Lessons from the Terrex Episode." *RSIS Commentary*, No. 022.
6. Han, David. (2017, January 16). "The Rise of Trump and Its Global Implications – Malaysia-US Relations: Challenges and Continuities," *RSIS Commentary* No. 013.
7. Johan Saravanamuttu, and David Han. (2016, November 2). "Malaysia-China Relations: A New Turn?" *RSIS Commentary*, No. 274.
8. Han, David. (2016, September 7). "Singapore-Malaysia Relations: Future Prospects," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 274.
9. Han, David. (2017, July 14). "Malaysia-Philippines Ties under Duterte: Prospects and Challenges," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 178.
10. Han, David. (2016, April 19). "Malaysia's South China Sea Policy: Contradictions or Domestic Confusion?" *RSIS Commentary*, No. 088.
11. Han, David. (2016, March 1). "US-ASEAN Relations: Uncertainty and Opportunity," No. 050.
12. Tiola Javadi and David Han. (2015, October 9). "A New Series - Clearing the Diplomatic Haze: Indonesia's Tense Ties with Singapore and Malaysia," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 211.
13. Saleena Saleem and David Han. (2015, August 14). "1MDB and Consolidation of Power: Challenges to the Najib-led Government," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 170.
14. Han, David. (2015, July 28). "US-Malaysia Relations: Strategic Imperatives over Human Rights," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 159.
15. Han, David. (2015, May 28). "Rohingya Refugee Crisis: Testing Malaysia's ASEAN Chairmanship," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 128.
16. Han David. (2015, April 6). "Lee Kuan Yew's Legacy: His Impact on Singapore-Malaysia Relations," *RSIS Commentary*, No. 080.

Op-eds

1. Han, David Guo Xiong. (2016, September 27). "After Obama, What's Next for ASEAN Centrality?" *The Diplomat*.
2. Han, David. (2016, July 20). "Hague ruling further complicates Asean-China ties," *Today*.

Conference Papers

1. Han, David. (2017, March 18). "Christian Political and Social Responses to Increasing Islamization in Malaysia." Presented at Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference held on March, 16 to March 19, 2017, at Toronto, Canada.

Unpublished Research Papers for MINDEF

1. Han, David. (2017). Malaysia's Relations with the US and China. (Unpublished).
2. Han, David. (2017). Islamophobia and Malaysian Christians in Malaysian Politics. (Unpublished)
3. Daniel, Thomas, and Han, David. (2016). Malaysian Armed Forces Military Modernization. (Unpublished).
4. Han, David. (2016). Malaysia-Singapore Relations: Prospects and Challenges. (Unpublished).

Media Engagements

1. Interview with *The Straits Times* for article titled "Hague Ruling "A Guide" for Maritime Disputes" published on 18 July 2016.
2. Interview with *Today* for article titled "Malaysia Defence Ministry Dismisses Submarine Data Leak" published on 26 August 2016.
3. Interview with *The Straits Times* for article titled "Diplomacy" (Singapore-Malaysia relations) published on 1 January 2017.
4. Interview with *Channel News Asia* for article titled "Timing of Malaysian Challenge on Pedra Branca could Be Way of "Garnering Votes" Ahead of Elections: Experts" published on 10 February 2017.

Career Summary

S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) (February 2015 – Present)
Senior Analyst

- Conducting research on Malaysian foreign policy, international politics of Southeast Asia, International Relations theory, and maritime disputes (South China Sea)
- Authored 2 peer-reviewed journal articles
- Authored and presented 1 paper at an academic conference
- Authored 3 policy research papers for stakeholders (co-authored one paper)
- Published 16 RSIS commentaries (co-authored four articles), 2 external opinion pieces, and published 1 blog write up
- Co-authored and published 2 Malaysia Update papers
- Providing subject matter expert inputs during media interviews
- Assisting coordinator of Malaysia Programme with research editing, and administrative tasks.
- Organizing and writing notes for RSIS seminars and lectures.
- Updating Malaysian Programme website.

National Institute of Education (NIE) (April 2013 – July 2014)

Research Assistant

- Provided research assistance to research project teachers' professional development.
- Conducted interviews and data collection
- Coded and analyzed interviews using NVIVO software.
- Constructed and disseminated survey questionnaire using Qualtrics programme.
- Assisted in writing and editing research reports based on data collected and analyzed.
- Engaged in administrative functions such as, managing financial matters of project, and organizing department meetings.

National Institute of Education (NIE) Oct 2012 – Mar 2013)

Temporary Research Assistant

- Conducted a literature review on Knowledge Management.
- Edited OER final research reports for uploading onto D-space.
- Edited academic papers on Mathematics education prior to publishing.
- Edited a research report for a project on the national data of Singapore for the *Trends in Mathematics and Science (TIMSS)* studies of 2003 and 2007.
- Transcribed audio recordings of interviews.
- Conducted data entry on TIMSS studies of 2011.

Air Force Information Management Centre, MINDEF (Oct 2010 – Feb 2012)

Research Officer

- Analyzed local and foreign media coverage on the RSAF and presented the assessments in reports.
- Analyzed portrayal/communications achievements and conducted portrayal reviews.
- Developed, reviewed and implemented information management plans to guide the communication efforts of RSAF projects.

- Provided portrayal and publicity advice to various agencies.
- Vetted and edited printed and visual materials prior to publication.

Air Intelligence Department, MINDEF (Feb 2008 – Oct 2010)

Research Officer

- Conducted research to analyze information security issues.
- Developed, reviewed and implemented information and security management policies.
- Provided advice on information security to various agencies.
- Vetted printed and visual materials to safeguard info-security.
- Provided administrative support for the department.

CoActive Technologies Pte Ltd (Nov 2007 – Feb 2008)

Temporary Administrative Assistant

- Crafted and maintained records of purchase orders.

Personal Particulars

Nationality : Singaporean
Languages : English and Chinese