

Australian Rising Thought Leaders Visit Tokyo ~JADE Program Study Tour to Japan~

The Japan Foundation and the U.S. Studies Centre at the University of Sydney are pleased to introduce the inaugural cohort of the Japan-Australia Dialogue and Exchange for the Next Generation (JADE). The JADE Program was established in 2024 to deepen long-term Japan-Australia ties across a range of sectors by building a network of future leaders from both countries and supporting their development as the next generation of experts on this important relationship. The inaugural Japanese cohort visited Sydney and Canberra in July 2024 for meetings with senior officials, business leaders and scholars. The Australian delegation will be in Tokyo from 3 February to 7 February 2025. The delegation will be led by Dr Michael Green, CEO and Professor of United States Studies Centre (USSC), and Professor Peter Dean, Director of Foreign Policy and Defence Program of USSC.

Tokyo Program

Feb4(Tue)-6(Sat) Discussions with academic researchers, visits and interviews with relevant organizations (e.g., Ministry of Foreign Affairs, etc.)

Feb 7 (Fri) 15:00-20:00 JADE event at International House of Japan (**open-to-media event**)

About the Program

Beginning with the 2007 Joint Declaration on Security Cooperation (JDSC), Australia-Japan strategic cooperation has become an increasingly important pursuit for both countries, reflected in the upgrade of the relationship to a Special Strategic Partnership since 2014 and the issuing of an updated JDSC in 2022.

While Australia-Japan relations are going from strength-to-strength, sustaining that momentum over the long-term will require building a deeper mutual understanding between the political and strategic communities in both countries, including through strengthening people-to-people ties and fostering connections between emerging Australian and Japanese thought leaders.

The JADE program aims to deepen Australia-Japan ties by empowering successive cohorts to contribute to the intellectual infrastructure of an increasingly intimate partnership between the two most proactive democracies in the Indo-Pacific and most important anchors of trans-Pacific relations. The program draws on the Japan Foundation's long commitment to intellectual exchange and the US Studies Centre's expertise on alliances and partnerships in the Indo-Pacific.

Website: <https://www.jpjf.go.jp/e/project/intel/exchange/jfipp/jade/index.html>



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Mentors

Dr. Michael J. Green is Professor and CEO at the US Studies Centre at the University of Sydney. He is also the Kissinger Chair (non-resident) at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, DC where he previously led programs as the Senior Vice President for Asia while concurrently directing Asia Studies as Professor and Chair in Modern and Contemporary Japanese Politics and Foreign Policy at Georgetown University. Dr. Green served as Director and then Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and Senior Director for Asia on the National Security Council staff from 2001 through 2005. His publications include *By More than Providence: Grand Strategy and American Power in the Asia Pacific since 1783* (2018) and *Line of Advantage: Japan's Grand Strategy in the Era of Abe Shinzo* (2022). He hosts the podcast *The Asia Chessboard*, serves on the Boards of The Asia Foundation and Radio Free Asia, and is Senior Advisor for The Asia Group consultancy.

Professor Peter J. Dean PhD SFHEA is the Director, Foreign Policy and Defence at the United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney. Previously Professor Dean was the University of Western Australia's (UWA) first Chair of Defence Studies and the inaugural director of the UWA Defence and Security Institute. Most recently Professor Dean was Co-Lead of the 2023 Defence Strategic Review (DSR) Secretariat.



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