

NORWEGIAN RISK FORUM 2014  
OCTOBER 23 - 24  
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Risks & Rewards for Foreign Companies  
in  
Southeast Asia

**Conference Venue:**

Grand Hotel, Oslo  
Conference Hall: Hambro, 7<sup>th</sup> floor

**This year's topics:**

Political risks, security risks, piracy, business environment and local perspectives

Opportunities and challenges for foreign investors

**Four reasons why you should take part:**

Expertise: Meet and interact with experts from Southeast Asia and Norway

Business opportunities: Learn about various sectors and other relevant opportunities, and meet relevant players

Risk Mitigating Strategies: Gain insight into political, security and business risks and how to mitigate risks

Group Work Sessions: Engage in discussions and share ideas with business people, risk experts and colleagues

**Norwegian Risk Forum Staff:**

**Conference Director and Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliussen, Founder and CEO, NRCI  
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**Day 1, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of October:**

**Part 1: Welcome and Keynote Address**

08.00 - Arrival & Registration

08.45 - Welcome and Introductory Remarks  
By Arne Elias Corneliussen  
Founder and CEO, NRCI

**Part 2: Political Risks and Business Prospects in Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam**

09.00 - Political Unrest, Risk Drivers and Business Implications in Thailand  
Dr. Paul Chambers, Director of Research, Institute of Southeast Asia Affairs, University of Chiang Mai

09.30 - Coffee & Networking Break

10.00 - The Challenges of Establishing a Production Facility in Vietnam  
Per Quang Fjellstad, Owner, Cavoit Ltd, Vung Tau, Vietnam

10.30 - Risks and Political Dynamics in Myanmar  
Audun Aagre, Director, Norwegian Burma Committee

11.00 - Panel Discussion: Political Challenges and Business Operations in Southeast Asia  
Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliussen, Founder & CEO, NRCI

Panelists:

Dr. Paul Chambers, Institute of Southeast Asian Affairs, University of Chiang Mai  
Audun Aagre, Director, Norwegian Burma Committee  
Per Quang Fjellstad, Owner, Cavoit Ltd, Vung Tau, Vietnam

12.00 - Lunch at Grand Café

**Part 3: Risks and Business Outlook in Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and the Philippines**

13.00 - Political Risks and Business Dynamics in Malaysia  
H. E. Ambassador Hans Ola Urstad  
Royal Norwegian Embassy, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

13.30 - Political Dynamics and Security Threats in Indonesia (Presentation via Web-link)  
Sidney Jones, Director, Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict, Jakarta, Indonesia

14.00 - Coffee & Networking Break

14.30 - Political Risks, Security Threats and Business Opportunities in the Philippines  
Maria Ressa, Founder and CEO, Rappler, Philippines

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15.00 - Panel Discussion: Political Risks and Business Dynamics in Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines  
Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliussen, Founder & CEO, NRCI

Panelists:

H.E. Ambassador Hans Ola Urstad, Royal Norwegian Embassy, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Sidney Jones, Director, Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict, Jakarta, Indonesia (Via Web-link)

Maria Ressa, Founder and CEO, Rappler, Philippines

16.00 - End of Day 1

17.00 - Networking and Interaction, Etoile Bar, 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Grand Hotel

18.30 - Norwegian Risk Forum Dinner at Grand Café, Grand Hotel

**Day 2, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of October:**

**Part 4: Political Risks, Security Threats and Business Entry in Southeast Asia**

08.30 - Arrival & Registration

09.00 - Security Threats in Singapore and Malaysia – Implications for Companies and Investors

Anton Chan, Research Analyst, International Center for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR) S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore

09.30 - Risk Coming from the Sea: Will the South China Sea Disputes Lead to Conflict and Destabilize the Countries Involved?

Stein Tønnesson, Research Professor, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

10.00 - Coffee and Networking Break

10.30 - Panel discussion: Security Threats, Risk Implications and Regional Outlook in the South China Sea

Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliussen, Founder & CEO, NRCI

Panelists:

Maria Ressa, Founder and CEO, Rappler, Philippines

Anton Chan, Research Analyst, International Center for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR) S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore

Stein Tønnesson, Research Professor, Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

11.30 - Lunch at Grand Café

**Part 5: Business Development and Risk Management in Southeast Asia**

12.30 - Business Development and Market Entry in Indonesia and Singapore

Torunn Taralrud, Regional Director – South & Southeast Asia, Innovation Norway

13.00 - Coffee & Networking Break

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13.30 - Panel Discussion - Reflections on Business Development and Political Risks in Southeast Asia  
Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliusen, Founder & CEO, NRCI

Panelists:

Torunn Taralrud, Regional Director – South & Southeast Asia, Innovation Norway  
Dr. Paul Chambers, Director of Research, Institute of Southeast Asian Affairs, Thailand  
Maria Ressa, Founder and CEO, Rappler, Philippines

14.30 - Group Work: How to Structure a Risk Management Strategy for Southeast Asia

15.30 - Final Thoughts

Arne Elias Corneliusen  
Founder & CEO, NRCI

15.45 - End of Norwegian Risk Forum 2014