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The Eurasia Center of John von Neumann University, the Hungarian-Chinese Youth Friendship Association, the Department of International and Political Studies of Milton Friedman University, and the Center for Contemporary Asia Studies at Corvinus University of Budapest cordially invite you to the next session of the Eurasia Roundtable discussion on the topic:

"Geopolitics of maritime chokepoints in the Indo-Pacific"

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2024

Time: 16:00-18:00

Venue: Corvinus University of Budapest, Building C, Room 102, 1093 Budapest, Közraktár u. 4-6.

Participation is free of charge, but registration is required:

[Fill in the registration link]

Eurasia Roundtable **Speakers**:

- **Dr. László Csicsmann,** Professor, head of the Corvinus Center for Contemporary Asia Studies, Corvinus University of Budapest
- **Dr. Scott N. Romaniuk,** Research Fellow at the Corvinus Center for Contemporary Asia Studies, Corvinus University of Budapest
- **Dr. Péter Klemensits**, Senior Research Fellow, Eurasia Center, John von Neumann University

Refreshments will be provided by the organizers.

The Indo-Pacific region holds strategic significance due to its critical role in maritime trade, security, and geopolitics. Key maritime chokepoints in the region include the Strait of Malacca, the Strait of Hormuz between Iran and the Arabian Peninsula, and the South China Sea, all of which play vital roles in regional security, trade, and freedom of navigation. These so-called "maritime chokepoints" have a significant impact on the geopolitical balance of power in the Indo-Pacific. Countries like China, the United States, India, and Japan are actively involved in securing these chokepoints to protect their interests and ensure the free flow of maritime trade. The tensions and rivalries over the control of these chokepoints are expected to persist in the future as countries in the region seek to assert their influence and safeguard their economic and strategic interests.

Moderated by **Máté Szakáli**, Researcher at the Eurasia Center of John von Neumann University, this roundtable discussion will be held in **English** and will address the following questions:

- What are the key maritime chokepoints in the Indo-Pacific today?
- How are major powers such as China, the United States, and India seeking to assert their influence and protect their economic and strategic interests in the region?

We warmly welcome those interested in the topic!