The State of Southeast Asia 2025 Survey

Start of Block: Introduction to the Survey

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**The State of Southeast Asia: 2025 Survey**

Thank you for participating in ***The State of Southeast Asia: 2025 Survey!*** This survey aims to understand the perceptions of Southeast Asian opinion-makers and thought leaders on regional strategic developments and issues affecting ASEAN.

The survey will take approximately**25 to 30 minutes.**

The Survey is available in English, Bahasa Indonesia, Burmese, Khmer, Thai, and Vietnamese. Please click on the right hand corner tab to select your language option.

Your individual response will not be made public, shared with other parties or used in any identifiable manner. Your participation in this survey is entirely voluntary and you are free to end the survey at any time. You may return to the survey at any time before the closing date using the same link on the same device.

By clicking "Next", you agree to participate in the survey according to the terms above. The survey will close on **15 February 2025.**

The full survey report will be released on the ISEAS website in due course. If you wish to be notified, please email asc\_survey@iseas.edu.sg.

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Q1c Please verify that you are human.

Q1d Please click on the right arrow to begin the survey.

Note: This survey is only for citizens of ASEAN Member States aged 18 and above.

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Start of Block: Section I: Background of Respondents

Q1 What is your nationality?

* Brunei Darussalam (1)
* Cambodia (2)
* Indonesia (3)
* Laos (4)
* Malaysia (5)
* Myanmar (6)
* Philippines (7)
* Singapore (8)
* Thailand (9)
* Timor-Leste (10)
* Vietnam (11)
* None of the above (12)

Skip To: End of Block If Q1 = None of the above

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Q2 Which one of these is not an ASEAN-led mechanism?

* ASEAN Regional Forum (1)
* East Asia Summit (2)
* ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting - Plus (3)
* Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (4)

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Q3 How often do you read / watch / listen to the news about current events?

* Daily (1)
* 1-2 times per week (2)
* Once every 2-3 weeks (3)
* Once a month (4)
* Less than once a month (5)
* Never (6)

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Skip To: End of Block If Q3 = Less than once a month

Skip To: End of Block If Q3 = Never

Q4 Please list your top news source.

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Q5 What is the highest education level that you have attained?

* Secondary School (1)
* Post-Secondary / Non-Tertiary (2)
* Bachelor's Degree (3)
* Master's Degree (4)
* Doctoral Degree (5)

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Q6 Do you believe a democratic political system (characterised by free, fair, and frequent elections, an independent and pluralistic media, and freedom of association and opinion, among others) to be the best form of governance for your country and the region?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

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Q7 What is your affiliation?

* Academia, Think-Tanks, or Research Institutions (1)
* Private Sector (Business or Finance) (2)
* Government (3)
* Civil Society, Non-Government Organisations, or Media (4)
* Regional or International Organisations (5)

Q8 Which age group do you belong to?

* 18 - 21 (1)
* 22 - 35 (2)
* 36 - 45 (3)
* 46 - 60 (4)
* 61 - 69 (5)
* Above 70 (6)

Q9 What is your gender?

* Male (1)
* Female (2)
* Prefer not to disclose (3)

End of Block: Section I: Background of Respondents

Start of Block: Section II: Regional Outlook and Views of International Developments

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Q10 What are the top three challenges facing Southeast Asia? (*Check 3 responses*)

* Intensifying economic tensions between major powers (1)
* Unemployment and economic recession (2)
* Domestic political instability (including ethnic and religious tensions) (3)
* Terrorism and extremism (4)
* Increased military tensions arising from potential flashpoints (i.e. South China Sea, Taiwan Strait, Korean Peninsula) (5)
* Climate change and more extreme weather events (droughts, floods, cyclones, rising sea levels, etc.) (6)
* Widening socio-economic gaps and rising income inequality (7)
* Deteriorating human rights conditions (8)

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Q11 What is your top concern about ASEAN? (*Check 1 response*)

* ASEAN is unable to return to pre-pandemic economic growth (1)
* ASEAN is becoming increasingly disunited (2)
* ASEAN is elitist and disconnected from ordinary people (3)
* ASEAN is slow and ineffective, and thus cannot cope with fluid political and economic developments, and is becoming irrelevant in the new world order (4)
* ASEAN is becoming an arena of major power competition and its member states may become major power proxies (5)

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Q12 Which of the following current geopolitical events are the top concerns for the government in your country? (*Check 3 responses*)

* Russia-Ukraine War (1)
* Israel's war against Hamas and Hezbollah (2)
* New US leadership (3)
* Aggressive behaviour in the South China Sea (4)
* Myanmar crisis (5)
* North Korea's continued ballistic missile testing (6)
* Global scam operations (7)
* International drug smuggling (8)

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Q13 To move the Myanmar issue forward, ASEAN should:

* Engage in independent dialogue with all key stakeholders, including the National Unity Government to build trust (1)
* Mount a coordinated and unified response with international partners (2)
* Utilise harder methods (e.g., suspension, targeted sanctions) to increase the State Administration Council's (SAC) costs for non-compliance with the 5PC (3)
* Downgrade/limit engagement with SAC until the situation in Myanmar improves towards political stability and a willingness to respond to ASEAN’s regional diplomacy (4)
* Reinstate SAC’s involvement in ASEAN meetings to continue pushing for 5PC implementation (5)
* Not interfere in Myanmar's domestic politics (6)

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Q14 The admission of Timor-Leste should:

* Be accelerated because Timor-Leste is ready (1)
* Proceed as per status quo (2)
* Be delayed because Timor-Leste is not yet able to meet expectations set by ASEAN's roadmap (3)
* Be reversed as Timor-Leste may be a burden to ASEAN (4)

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Q15 Which members have made the biggest contribution to ASEAN’s long-term development and progress? (*Choose 2 responses*)

* Brunei Darussalam (1)
* Cambodia (2)
* Indonesia (3)
* Laos (4)
* Malaysia (5)
* Myanmar (6)
* Philippines (7)
* Singapore (8)
* Thailand (9)
* Vietnam (10)

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Q16 What is your top concern over the South China Sea (SCS) situation? (*Choose 2 options*)

* A direct military confrontation between the US and China (1)
* An accidental confrontation between an ASEAN Member State and China that results in a political crisis (2)
* China's encroachments in the exclusive economic zones and continental shelves of Southeast Asia's littoral states (3)
* China's militarisation and assertive actions in the SCS (4)
* Depletion of fish stocks and loss of biodiversity (5)
* Increased military presence in the SCS (6)

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Q17 How should ASEAN respond to the SCS situation? (*Choose 2 options*)

* ASEAN cannot do anything because it lacks solidarity on this issue (1)
* ASEAN should support actions that would deter aggressive behaviour such as by participating in joint military exercises (2)
* ASEAN should discourage non-claimants from getting involved in the SCS issue (3)
* ASEAN should take a principled stand that upholds international law, including UNCLOS, and respect the 2016 arbitral tribunal's ruling (4)
* ASEAN should welcome military presence of other powers in the SCS (5)
* ASEAN should encourage claimant states to resolve tensions through bilateral negotiations (6)

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Q18 In my view, the Code of Conduct (COC)...

* Must be aligned with international law, including UNCLOS (1)
* Must not involve other powers in the SCS issue once ASEAN and China have reached agreement on the COC (2)
* Will prevent other powers from conducting military activities and energy exploration with ASEAN Member States in the SCS (3)
* Will not materialise because China will never give up its territorial and jurisdictional claims based on the Nine-Dash Line (4)
* Will not resolve the territorial disputes but will help reduce tensions and manage the dispute (5)

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Q19 What is the most likely impact of Israel’s conflict with Hamas and Hezbollah on Southeast Asia?

* Rise in extremist activities impacting domestic and regional security (1)
* Greater ASEAN disunity due to differences in member states’ positions (2)
* Erosion of domestic social cohesion due to religious divisions (3)
* Diminished trust in international law and rules-based order (4)
* Does not impact Southeast Asia (5)

Q20 Choose the statement that best reflects your view of the international community’s responses to Israel’s conflict with Hamas and Hezbollah:

* The international community should support the right to self-determination of the Palestinian people (1)
* The international community should support a ceasefire and prioritise the provision of humanitarian aid (2)
* The international community should not interfere in the conflict (3)
* The international community should support a two-state solution as the only solution for Israel and Palestine (4)
* The international community should foster dialogue on potential solutions for the conflict (5)
* The international community should support Israel unconditionally even if it exposes its own double standards (6)

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Q21 The ASEAN Digital Economy Framework Agreement (DEFA) will:

* Significantly contribute to raising digital capabilities and enhancing regional digital trade (1)
* Enhance cooperation in digital trade integration initiatives (2)
* Have a limited impact on raising digital trade flows due to regional differences in standards and digital capabilities (3)
* Not change the status-quo (4)
* I have not heard of the DEFA (5)

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Q22 How should ASEAN respond to rising protectionism and nationalism around the world?

* Deepen cooperation with like-minded partners beyond ASEAN (1)
* Accelerate regional integration among ASEAN Member States (2)
* Observe and do nothing (3)
* Strengthen ASEAN institutions that support the rule of law (4)
* Disengage with established global trade systems (5)

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Q23 How should ASEAN enhance its resilience and prove its relevance?

* Resolve its differences over issues such as Myanmar and SCS (1)
* Focus on increasing intra-regional trade and investment (2)
* Build alternative supply chains so as not to be caught up in the next trade war (3)
* Cooperate with strategic partners and join more minilateral groupings (4)
* Do nothing because ASEAN is already resilient and does not need to prove its relevance (5)

End of Block: Section II: Regional Outlook and Views of International Developments

Start of Block: Section III: Major Powers’ Regional Influence and Leadership

Q24 In your view, which country / regional organisation is the most influential economic power in Southeast Asia?

* ASEAN (1)
* Australia (2)
* China (3)
* European Union (4)
* India (5)
* Japan (6)
* Republic of Korea (7)
* United States (8)
* United Kingdom (9)

Q25 What is your view of this economic power's influence on your country?

* I am worried about its growing regional economic influence (1)
* I welcome its growing regional economic influence (2)

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Q26 In your view, which country / regional organisation has the most political and strategic influence in Southeast Asia?

* ASEAN (1)
* Australia (2)
* China (3)
* European Union (4)
* India (5)
* Japan (6)
* Republic of Korea (7)
* United States (8)
* United Kingdom (9)

Q27 What is your view of this political and strategic power’s influence on your country?

* I am worried about its growing regional political and strategic influence (1)
* I welcome its growing regional political and strategic influence (2)

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Q28 Rank the following Dialogue Partners in order of strategic relevance to ASEAN:

*(Please drag and drop the country names accordingly)*

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Australia (1)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Canada (2)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ China (3)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ European Union (4)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ India (5)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Japan (6)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ New Zealand (7)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Republic of Korea (8)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Russia (9)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ United States (10)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ United Kingdom (11)

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Q29 Who do you have the most confidence in to champion the global free trade agenda?

* ASEAN (1)
* Australia (2)
* China (3)
* European Union (4)
* India (5)
* Japan (6)
* New Zealand (7)
* Republic of Korea (8)
* United Kingdom (9)
* United States (10)

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Q30 Who do you have the most confidence in to provide leadership to maintain the rules-based order and uphold international law?

* ASEAN (1)
* Australia (2)
* China (3)
* European Union (4)
* India (5)
* Japan (6)
* New Zealand (7)
* Republic of Korea (8)
* United Kingdom (9)
* United States (10)

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Q31 Cooperation between ASEAN and the Quad will:

* Be beneficial to the region (1)
* Be complementary to ASEAN efforts (2)
* Force countries to choose sides (3)
* Threaten ASEAN centrality and compete with ASEAN-led mechanisms (4)
* Provoke China (5)

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Q32 New informal groupings outside of the international UN framework have emerged as avenues to pursue plurilateral functional cooperation. Groupings like the AUKUS, Quad, BRICS, I2U2, GCAP, and Minerals Security Partnership are designed for issue-specific cooperation. Do you agree that…

* ASEAN Member States should be mindful of joining groupings that risk undermining ASEAN centrality (1)
* ASEAN should join as a collective grouping to pursue regional interests (2)
* ASEAN should strengthen its convening power and normative influence to ensure its members remain committed and discourage them from joining other groupings (3)
* Individual ASEAN Member States are free to join any grouping that meets their national interests (4)
* ASEAN should not join any grouping and focus on working within ASEAN to pursue multilateral cooperation (5)

End of Block: Section III: Major Powers’ Regional Influence and Leadership

Start of Block: Section IV: US-China Rivalry and its Impact on Southeast Asia

Q33 ASEAN is caught in the crossfire as Beijing and Washington compete for influence and leadership in Southeast Asia. How should ASEAN best respond?

* ASEAN has to seek out “third parties” to broaden its strategic space and options (1)
* ASEAN should enhance its resilience and unity to fend off pressure from the two major powers (2)
* ASEAN should continue its position of not siding with China or the US (3)
* ASEAN has to choose between one of the two major powers as remaining neutral is impractical (4)

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Q34 If ASEAN were forced to align itself with one of the strategic rivals, which should it choose?

* China (1)
* United States (2)

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Q35 If ASEAN were to seek out “third parties” to hedge against the uncertainties of the US-China strategic rivalry, who is your preferred and trusted strategic partner for ASEAN?

* Australia (1)
* European Union (2)
* India (3)
* Japan (4)
* Republic of Korea (5)
* United Kingdom (6)

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Q36 How do you see your country's relations with China evolving in the next three years?

* Worsen Significantly (1)
* Worsen (2)
* Remain the Same (3)
* Improve (4)
* Improve Significantly (5)

Skip To: Q36A If Q36 = Improve

Skip To: Q36A If Q36 = Improve Significantly

Skip To: Q37 If Q36 = Remain the Same

Skip To: Q36B If Q36 = Worsen

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Q36A What could potentially worsen your positive impression of China? (*Check 1 response*)

* China's use of economic tools and tourism to punish my country’s foreign policy choices (1)
* China's mistreatment of its minorities in Tibet and Xinjiang and its handling of Hong Kong (2)
* China's strong-arm tactics in the South China Sea and the Mekong (3)
* China's interference in my country's domestic affairs (including through social media and influence over the ethnic Chinese citizens of my country) (4)
* China's forceful reunification with Taiwan (5)

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Skip To: Q37 If Q36A = China's forceful reunification with Taiwan

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Q36B What can China do to improve relations with your country? (*Check 1 response*)

* China should resolve all territorial and maritime disputes peacefully in accordance with international law (1)
* China should make bilateral trade truly mutually beneficial by addressing trade imbalances (2)
* Deepen mutual understanding by enhancing people-to-people relations (3)
* China should respect my country’s sovereignty and not constrain my country’s foreign policy choices (4)
* The fault lines between my country and China cannot be bridged (5)

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Q37 How do you see your country's relations with the United States evolving in the next four years?

* Worsen Significantly (1)
* Worsen (2)
* Remain the Same (3)
* Improve (4)
* Improve Significantly (5)

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Skip To: Q37A If Q37 = Improve Significantly

Skip To: Q38 If Q37 = Remain the Same

Skip To: Q37B If Q37 = Worsen

Skip To: Q37B If Q37 = Worsen Significantly

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Q37A What could potentially worsen your positive impression of the United States? (*Check 1 response*)

* US' use of sanctions to punish other countries (1)
* US' frequent patrols and exercises the South China Sea (2)
* US' support for Israel in the Gaza conflict (3)
* US' interference in my country’s domestic affairs (4)
* US' support for Taiwan (5)

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Q37B What can the United States do to improve relations with your country? (*Check 1 response*)

* The US should respect international law and its institutions and not undermine the global system (1)
* The US should make bilateral trade truly mutually beneficial by addressing trade imbalances (2)
* The US should deepen mutual understanding by enhancing people-to-people relations (3)
* The US should respect my country’s sovereignty and not constrain my country’s foreign policy choices (4)
* The fault lines between my country and US cannot be bridged (5)

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Q38 The level of US engagement with Southeast Asia under the Trump 2.0 Administration will...

* Decrease Significantly (1)
* Decrease (2)
* Remain Unchanged (3)
* Increase (4)
* Increase Significantly (5)

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Skip To: Q38A If Q38 = Increase Significantly

Skip To: Q39 If Q38 = Remain Unchanged

Skip To: Q38B If Q38 = Decrease

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Q38A Why do you think the level of US engagement with Southeast Asia will increase?

* Strong US leadership under Trump can resolve conflicts around the world (1)
* Trump's tough stance on China will help maintain a balance of power (2)
* Trump might work with some Southeast Asian countries against China (3)

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Q38B Why do you think the level of US engagement with Southeast Asia will decrease?

* The Trump Administration's lack of strategic interest in Southeast Asia (1)
* President Trump’s unpredictability adds uncertainty to US engagement with the region (2)
* Trump will ignore Southeast Asia and work with China directly (3)

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Q39 How confident are you of the US as a strategic partner and provider of regional security?

* No Confidence (1)
* Little Confidence (2)
* No Comment (3)
* Confident (4)
* Very Confident (5)

End of Block: Section IV: US-China Rivalry and its Impact on Southeast Asia

Start of Block: Section V: Perception of Trust

Q40 How confident are you that China will "do the right thing" to contribute to global peace, security, prosperity, and governance?

* No Confidence (1)
* Little Confidence (2)
* No Comment (3)
* Confident (4)
* Very Confident (5)

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Skip To: Q40A If Q40 = Confident

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Skip To: Q40B If Q40 = No Confidence

Skip To: Q40B If Q40 = Little Confidence

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Q40A Why do you trust China?

* China has vast economic resources and strong political will to provide global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are compatible with China’s (2)
* China is a responsible stakeholder that respects and champions international law (3)
* China's military power is an asset for global peace and security (4)
* I respect China and admire its civilisation and culture (5)

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Skip To: Q41 If Q40A = I respect China and admire its civilisation and culture

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Q40B Why do you distrust China?

* China does not have the capacity or political will for global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are incompatible with China’s (2)
* I am concerned that China is distracted with its internal affairs and thus cannot focus on global concerns and issues (3)
* China's economic and military power could be used to threaten my country’s interests and sovereignty (4)
* I do not consider China a responsible or reliable power (5)

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Q41 How confident are you that the EU will "do the right thing" to contribute to global peace, security, prosperity, and governance?

* No Confidence (1)
* Little Confidence (2)
* No Comment (3)
* Confident (4)
* Very Confident (5)

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Skip To: Q41A If Q41 = Confident

Skip To: Q41A If Q41 = Very Confident

Skip To: Q41B If Q41 = No Confidence

Skip To: Q41B If Q41 = Little Confidence

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Q41A Why do you trust the EU?

* The EU has vast economic resources and the political will to provide global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are compatible with the EU's (2)
* The EU is a responsible stakeholder that respects and champions international law (3)
* The EU’s stance on environment, human rights, and climate change is an asset for global peace and security (4)
* I respect Europe and admire its civilisation and culture (5)

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Q41B Why do you distrust the EU?

* The EU does not have the capacity or political will for global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are incompatible with the EU’s (2)
* I am concerned that the EU is distracted with its internal affairs and thus cannot focus on global concerns and issues (3)
* The EU’s stance on environment, human rights, and climate change could be used to threaten my country’s interests and sovereignty (4)
* I do not consider the EU a responsible or reliable power (5)

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Q42 How confident are you that India will "do the right thing" to contribute to global peace, security, prosperity, and governance?

* No Confidence (1)
* Little Confidence (2)
* No Comment (3)
* Confident (4)
* Very Confident (5)

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Skip To: Q42A If Q42 = Confident

Skip To: Q42A If Q42 = Very Confident

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Q42A Why do you trust India?

* India has vast economic resources and the political will to provide global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are compatible with India’s (2)
* India is a responsible stakeholder that respects and champions international law (3)
* India's military power is an asset for global peace and security (4)
* I respect India and admire its civilisation and culture (5)

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Q42B Why do you distrust India?

* India does not have the capacity or political will for global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are incompatible with India’s (2)
* I am concerned that India is distracted with its internal and sub-continental affairs and thus cannot focus on global concerns and issues (3)
* India's economic and military power could be used to threaten my country’s interests and sovereignty (4)
* I do not consider India a responsible or reliable power (5)

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Q43 How confident are you that Japan will "do the right thing" to contribute to global peace, security, prosperity, and governance?

* No Confidence (1)
* Little Confidence (2)
* No Comment (3)
* Confident (4)
* Very Confident (5)

Skip To: Q44 If Q43 = No Comment

Skip To: Q43A If Q43 = Confident

Skip To: Q43A If Q43 = Very Confident

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Skip To: Q43B If Q43 = Little Confidence

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Q43A Why do you trust Japan?

* Japan has vast economic resources and the political will to provide global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are compatible with Japan’s (2)
* Japan is a responsible stakeholder that respects and champions international law (3)
* Japan's military power is an asset for global peace and security (4)
* I respect Japan and admire its civilisation and culture (5)

Skip To: Q44 If Q43A = Japan has vast economic resources and the political will to provide global leadership

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Q43B Why do you distrust Japan?

* Japan does not have the capacity or political will for global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are incompatible with Japan’s (2)
* I am concerned that Japan is distracted with its internal affairs and relations with its Northeast Asian neighbours (i.e. China, Korea and Taiwan), and thus cannot focus on global concerns and issues (3)
* Japan's economic and military power could be used to threaten my country’s interests and sovereignty (4)
* I do not consider Japan a responsible or reliable power (5)

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Q44 How confident are you that the US will "do the right thing" to contribute to global peace, security, prosperity, and governance?

* No Confidence (1)
* Little Confidence (2)
* No Comment (3)
* Confident (4)
* Very Confident (5)

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Skip To: Q44A If Q44 = Very Confident

Skip To: Q44B If Q44 = No Confidence

Skip To: Q44B If Q44 = Little Confidence

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Q44A Why do you trust the US?

* The US has vast economic resources and the political will to provide global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are compatible with those of the US (2)
* The US is a responsible stakeholder that respects and champions international law (3)
* The US’s military power is an asset for global peace and security (4)
* I respect the US and admire its civilisation and culture (5)

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Q44B Why do you distrust the US?

* The US does not have the capacity or political will for global leadership (1)
* My country’s political culture and worldview are incompatible with the US’s (2)
* I am concerned that the US is distracted with its internal affairs and thus cannot focus on global concerns and issues (3)
* The US’s economic and military power could be used to threaten my country’s interests and sovereignty (4)
* I do not consider the US a responsible or reliable power (5)

End of Block: Section V: Perception of Trust

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Q45 If I had a choice, I would like to live or work in this country…

* An ASEAN Member State (1)
* Australia (2)
* China (3)
* India (4)
* An EU Member State (5)
* Japan (6)
* Republic of Korea (7)
* New Zealand (8)
* United Kingdom (9)
* United States (10)

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Q45A Please select the ASEAN country you would like to live or work in.

* Brunei Darussalam (1)
* Cambodia (2)
* Indonesia (3)
* Laos (4)
* Malaysia (5)
* Myanmar (6)
* Philippines (7)
* Singapore (8)
* Thailand (9)
* Timor-Leste (10)
* Vietnam (11)

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Q46 Which country is your favourite holiday destination?

* An ASEAN Member State (1)
* Australia (2)
* China (3)
* India (4)
* An EU Member State (5)
* Japan (6)
* Republic of Korea (7)
* New Zealand (8)
* United Kingdom (9)
* United States (10)

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Q46A Please select your favourite ASEAN country for a holiday destination.

* Brunei Darussalam (1)
* Cambodia (2)
* Indonesia (3)
* Laos (4)
* Malaysia (5)
* Myanmar (6)
* Philippines (7)
* Singapore (8)
* Thailand (9)
* Timor-Leste (10)
* Vietnam (11)

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