

**Maritime Security Asia 2004  
International Conference  
12 November 2004  
Shangri-La Hotel, Singapore**

**Conference Summary**

**Maritime Security Asia 2004 International Conference** was held at The Shangri-La Hotel on 12 Nov 2004. The event was well supported by Government Organisations, the Military and the International Defence Community. A total of 135 delegates attended and 11 papers were presented.

**Dr Rohan Gunaratna** contributed a paper to the Conference but not presented on 'The Changing Face of Maritime Terrorism' for the conference. Dr Rohan Gunaratna is Head, International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research at the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies in Singapore. He is also Senior Advisor to the Maritime Intelligence Group, Washington, DC.



The Conference achieved its objectives in providing up-to-date information and also promoting interaction between key personnel in Regulatory Bodies, Enforcement Agencies, Shipping Companies and Defence Industry Leaders.



The Conference commenced with a Keynote Address by **Prof Dr KS Nathan**, Senior Fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore. Prof Nathan outlined the Threats, Challenges and Prospects with regard to Maritime Security in Southeast Asia and set the framework for discussion for the day's proceedings.



Some of our honoured guests included Commander Police Coast Guard, **DAC Jerry See**, Commander Coastal Command, **COL Chng Teow Hiang** who also presented a paper on 'Singapore's Initiatives to Enhance Port and Maritime Security.'



Most of the participants found the Conference well organised and informative and saw it as a professional forum to discuss new technologies, regulations, policies etc. with various interest groups.