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STRATEGIC FLASHLIGHT SERIES

## FROM THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN: REFLECTING ON TOKYO'S STRATEGIC VIEW POST-VISIT TO JAPAN.

Spring in Japan is the time of excitement and hope. The flowering of *sakura* (the cherry blossom) continues to capture the attention of the Japanese people, and now so does the international environment that surrounds this island nation.

Japan in 2016 finds itself at the crossroads of a major geopolitical change that will transform the strategic landscape of the Indo-Pacific. The strategic rise of China, challenges and threats posed by the North Korean regime, territorial disputes in the Sea of Japan and South China Sea, the future of the United States pivot in Asia – these and other strategic dilemmas preoccupy Japanese planning and decision-making.

This presentation will reflect on the experience of affairs analyst Dr Alexey Muraviev in his official visit to Japan, organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan in March.

**Date:** Wednesday 11 May 2016

**Location:** Curtin Graduate School of Business Meeting Room, 78 Murray Street, Perth

**Time:** 6pm entry and registration  
6.30pm to 8pm event session

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Dr Alexey D. Muraviev is Head of the Department of Social Sciences and Security Studies at Curtin University, Western Australia. He is a coordinator of the Master of International Relations and National Security course and the founder and director of Curtin's Strategic Flashlight forum on national security and strategy.

He has published widely on matters of national and international security.

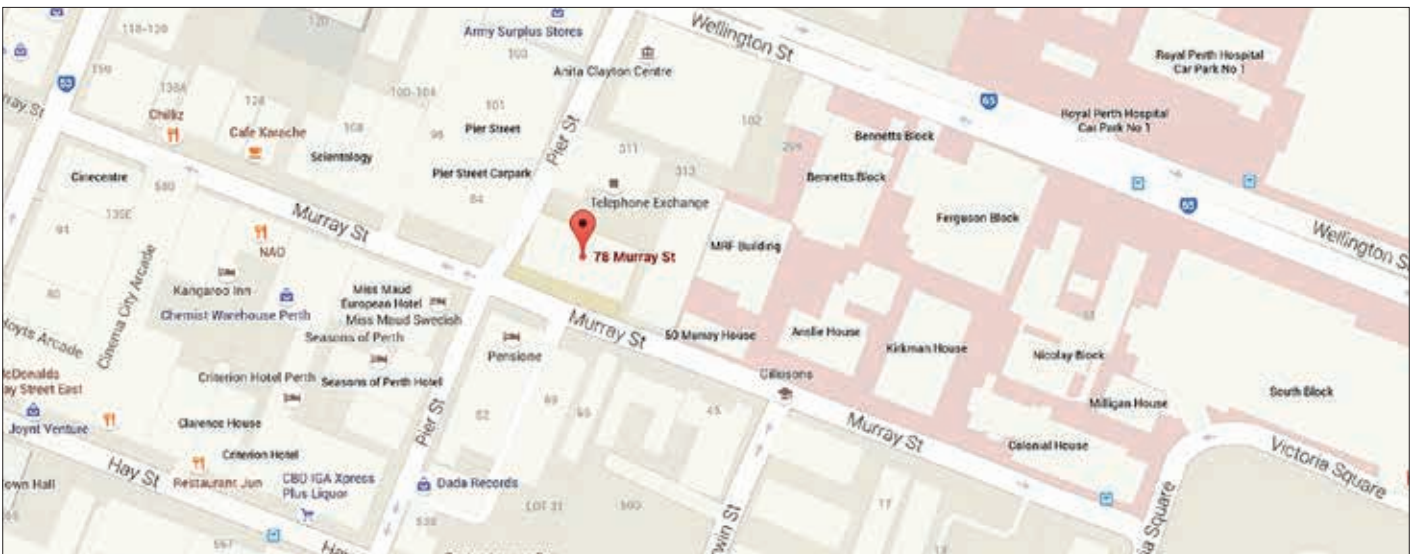
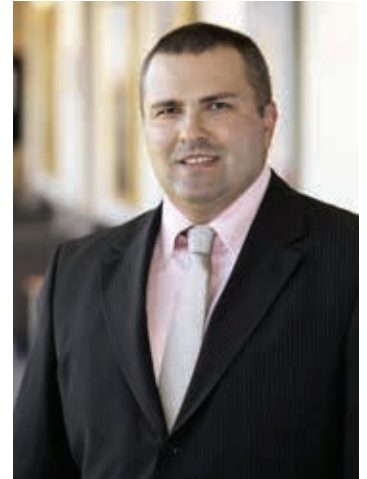
His research interests include problems of modern maritime power, contemporary defence and strategic policy, Russia's strategic and defence policy, Russia as a Pacific power, transnational terrorism and Australian national security.

Dr Muraviev is a member of the Australian Member Committee, Council for Security

Cooperation in the Asia Pacific; Russia-NATO Experts Group; International Institute for Strategic Studies; Advisory Board, Public Sector Network; Research Network for a Secure Australia and many other organisations and think tanks. He is also a reviewer of *The Military Balance*, an annual defence almanac analysing the military capabilities and defence economics of countries across the world.

In 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010, the Australian Research Council College of Experts nominated Dr Muraviev as an "expert of international standing".

Dr Muraviev advises members of state and federal government on foreign policy and national security matters, and is frequently interviewed by state, national and international media.



The nearest parking areas are the Pier Street car park, opposite the Curtin Graduate School of Business building, or the Fire Station car park between Murray and Hay Streets.

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