



Institute for International Policy Studies • Tokyo •

## **IIPS International Conference**

"Enlargement and Future of Europe 2002"

Tokyo, 12-14 November

"Enlargement of the European Union: Consequences for the EU's Foreign Policy towards Asia"

by

Dr. Michael Reiterer Minister – Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Commission in Japan

## Enlargement of the European Union: Consequences for the EU's Foreign Policy towards Asia

Dr. Michael Reiterer Minister – Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Commission in Japan

## **Outline of the Presentation**

- 1. The Asia Policy of the European Union How to deal with the diversity of Asia
- 2. The Six Objectives of the Strategic Framework of Enhanced Partnerships (2001)
- 3. New Challenges: the Aftermath of September 11 and EU Enlargement
- 4. Repercussions of EU Enlargement on the Asia Policy Challenges for the EU in the context of
  - a. ASEAN
  - b. ASEM (including enlargement of Asian ASEM partners)
  - c. ASEAN + 3
  - d. ARF
  - e. Bilateral relations including bilateral summits
- 5. Challenges for East Asia
  - a. Incentive to accelerate integration because of need to deal with larger partners (EU, USA) bilaterally and in the international arena (especially in the WTO, CFSP); pooling of sovereignty a solution to overcome the legacy of World War II and to solve longstanding (territorial) disputes?
  - b. Challenge of the euro in the international financial markets
  - c. Living up to the challenge of globalisation
- 6. Asia-Europe: Do They Meet?