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Greetings Colleagues,

The Consortium is pleased to share its latest newsletter for the Indo-Pacific. Press reply button for your feedback and comments.

### **G-20 Concludes with G 20+1, Adoption of Delhi Leaders Declaration**



India's G-20 finale emphasizes on the futuristic and holistic development of countries. The motto of India's G-20, 'One Earth', 'One Family', and 'One Future' is appreciated by the Heads of countries and got weightage when

the U.S. President Biden reiterated 'One Earth & One Future' in his speech at the leaders' summit. The difficult part of the summit was to adopt a joint declaration, and eventually, the summit's success is reported in the release of the Delhi Leaders Declaration, a unanimous document that supports Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity without condemning Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The **four major outcomes of the summit** are: joint statement, transformation of G-20 to G-21, announcement of India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor, and Biofuel alliance. First, Delhi Leaders Declaration is adopted despite the confrontational views between G-20 members on Russia-Ukraine war. India somehow managed a consensus to adopt the declaration. Second, the African Union is now a permanent member of G-20, and it becomes G20+1; third, India-Middle East-Europe (IMEC). Economic Corridor that will connect India via Arabian Sea to Middle East to Europe and will [enhance](#) economic integration and connectivity. Last but not the least is the launch of Global Bio-Fuel Alliance (GBA) that includes Singapore, Bangladesh, Italy, U.S.A, Brazil, Argentina, Mauritius, and U.A.E. The Alliance aims to accelerate the worldwide adoption of biofuels by promoting technological progress.

It is worth mentioning that India is taking bold and decisive action to manage its most formidable competitor, China, through multilateralism and promoting inclusivity. [Read More](#)

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### **43rd ASEAN Summit Held in Jakarta, Sept. 5-7, 2023.**

ASEAN countries convenes its summit in Jakarta. The U.S. Vice President Kamala Harris, Chinese Premier Li Qiang, and Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov and Indian Prime Minister Modi joined meeting with partner countries. ASEAN states have [cautioned the U.S.-China tension and major power rivalries](#). Indonesian President Joko

Widodo said, “We all have a responsibility to not create new conflict, new tension, new war and at the same time we also have a responsibility to reduce tensions.” China's Li cautioned against inciting a "new Cold War" and urged countries not to take sides in potential conflicts.

Notably, ASEAN countries reviewed the Five-Point Consensus (5PC) on Myanmar and condemned the persistent violence in Myanmar that have caused tremendous suffering, humanitarian crises, and destruction of public facilities and have negatively impacted regional stability, particularly along the border.

Importantly, the VP Harris [said](#) in her address that “ASEAN is at the center of America’s commitments to the Indo-Pacific,” and reiterated the U.S. support to alliances and partners in the Indo-Pacific. [Read More](#)

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## **The Final Text of Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) Supply Chain Agreement Released**

The U.S. Department of Commerce released the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) Supply Chain agreement on Sept.7, 2023. Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo [said](#), “By working toward finalization of this monumental Agreement, the United States is taking an important step forward to fortify bonds with our partners throughout the Indo-Pacific. Working in lockstep, we will be prepared to best address our shared economic challenges together.” [Read More](#)

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## **President Biden Visits Vietnam**

After attending G-20 summit in Delhi, President Biden visits Vietnam to boost up the U.S.-Vietnam ties into a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. In a press conference, the President said that his trip is not about containing China, “that’s what this trip was all about: having India cooperate much more with the United States, be closer with the United States, Vietnam being closer with the United States. It’s not about containing China; it’s about having a stable base — a stable base in the Indo-Pacific.” [Read More](#)

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## Indo-Pacific Quiz

Which country will host G-20+1 Summit in 2026?

- a. Brazil
- b. Australia
- c. U.S.A.
- d. France

When was the first ASEAN summit held?

- a. 1967
  - b. 1968
  - c. 1976
  - d. 1977
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