



UNU CONVERSATION SERIES

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Accelerated Nation: Myanmar in an Age of Reform

Wednesday, 1 October 2014, 6:30–7:30 PM

Reception & buffet after the event

United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo

Although the outlines of Myanmar's recent transition — from military dictatorship to quasi-civilian rule — are well known, the dynamics which led to and which have underpinned these changes are less acknowledged. Even less understood are the sweeping social and economic transformations that have taken place alongside political reform.

Dr. Thant Myint-U will join UNU Rector David M. Malone for a conversation exploring modern Myanmar in the context of its recent sociopolitical history and current reforms. As a Myanmar expert with key advisory roles in that country and the South-East Asian region, Dr. Thant Myint-U will provide an insightful perspective on Myanmar's historic moments and the complex connections between ongoing peace negotiations, debates on the country's economic future, and the prospects for democracy.

The UNU Conversation Series aims to foster audience participation: you are encouraged to engage with the speakers during the conversation and at the reception that will follow, where all audience members are invited to enjoy the food and drinks that will be served while exchanging ideas and making new contacts.

Please note that this event will be in English only; Japanese interpretation will not be provided. Advance registration (by 30 September) is required.

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