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The Opportunities and Challenges of ASEAN-Japan Relations

The 50th anniversary of ASEAN-Japan ties saw an upgrade to a comprehensive security partnership amid challenges like the US-China rivalry and technological disruptions. As this milestone fades, both face uncertainties in a world influenced by geostrategic and tech factors. Mark Bryan Manantan, with extensive research on tech diplomacy, will present three tech trends influencing ASEAN-Japan's future: ultra-polarity, multifurcation, and technological determinism. He aims to provide strategies for navigating these turbulent times.



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