

The United States' Indo-Pacific Strategy

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While Washington can do more diplomatically, the most glaring gap in U.S. regional engagement is economic, leaving Beijing unchallenged and American allies unsupported.

There is transatlantic agreement that the “China challenge” is the most serious we face; but do we have a strategy to confront it? Whether in business or in geopolitics, strategy is a three-step process—first, setting a focused objective; second, mapping out a set of mutually reinforcing choices that will accomplish it; third, marshaling the resources to carry it out. But it is also a competitive process—objectives can be shared among rivals, and strategies bested or copied. The winner is often the party which is more disciplined in executing its strategy, and has superior resources to do so...

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