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Summary of CV: Don McLain Gill is a Manila-based geopolitical analyst and author who specializes in Indian foreign policy, India-Southeast Asian relations, and Asian/Indo-Pacific security. He has over 100 publications to his credit, and he has written in the form of books, chapters, major peer-reviewed international journal articles, and expert commentary articles for major International Relations publications, such as (but not limited to) *The Diplomat*, *The National Interest*, *East-West Centre*, *Stimson Centre*, *Asia Times*, *South China Morning Post*, *Observer Research Foundation*, and *RUSI*, among others. Mr. Gill is also regularly interviewed by international tv news channels and newspapers on a wide array of issues regarding Indian and Philippine foreign policy, South and Southeast Asian geopolitics, and Asian security. Moreover, Mr. Gill also gives special lectures to universities, research centers, think tanks, and other renowned policy institutions in the Philippines and abroad on International Relations theory and practice, geopolitics, international political economy, security studies, research methodology, and foreign policy analysis. Furthermore, Mr. Gill has also been invited to serve as an external peer-review for major international academic journals.

ACADEMIC DEGREES

- Master of Arts Degree in International Relations (with distinction), Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom
- Bachelor of Arts Degree in Consular and Diplomatic Affairs, De La Salle – College of Saint Benilde, Philippines

INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Director, South and Southeast Asia, Philippine-Middle East Studies Association (PMESA), Manila, Philippines
- Non-resident Political Analyst, Prelia, Rome, Italy

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

Authored and Edited Books

- *The Elephant's Rise in the East: Navigating India's Engagements in an Emerging Multipolar Asia*, Adroit Publishers (Tentative 2023 Publication Date)
- *The Rise of Philippinization: Philippinization is not Finlandization*, Amazon Publications (2021)

Book Chapters

- *Vaccine Maitri: India's Outreach to the Philippines* in *Pandemics and Epidemics: Health Polity and Economy*, Lady Brabourne College Publications, West Bengal (2021)
- *India-Philippines Strategic Relations: Challenges and a Way Forward* in *Indian Foreign Policy: Security and Economic issues* Bharti Publications, New Delhi (2020)
- *China in the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific: Motivations, Opportunities and Challenges* in *China in the Indo-Pacific Region - Manoeuvres and Manifestations*, Palgrave Macmillan (Publication date 2023)
- *The Bangladesh-Myanmar-ASEAN Triangle: A Long Road Ahead for Reparations* in *Bangladesh on a New Journey: Moving beyond the Regional Identity*, ISAS NUS (Publication date 2023)

Peer-Reviewed International Journal Articles

- Gill, Don McLain. "Kautilya: The Uncrowned Father of Political Realism." *International Politics (Palgrave)* (In process: tentative date 2023).
- Cogan, Mark S., and Don McLain Gill. "Legitimacy and International Development in a Taliban-dominated Afghanistan." *Journal of Indo-Pacific Affairs* 5, no. 1 (2022): 72-80
- Gill, Don McLain. "Why Consistency Matters in Security the Rules-Based Order" *Australian Journal of Maritime and Ocean Affairs*. (2021): 1-9
- Gill, Don McLain. "Beyond Offensive Realism: India's Rise, U.S. Accommodation." *Journal of Critical Perspectives on Asia*, 56, no.2 (2021): 150-157

- Gill, Don McLain. “Geopositional Balancing: Understanding China’s Investments in Sri Lanka.” *Journal of Indio-Pacific Affairs* (2021)
- Gill, Don McLain. “Between the Elephant and the Dragon: Examining the Sino-Indian Competition in the Indian Ocean, *Journal of the Indian Ocean Region* (2020): 1-20
- Gill, Don McLain. Challenges to Regional Cooperation in South Asia: An Overview, *Journal of International Affairs*, 3, no. 1 (2020); 42-52
- Gill, Don McLain. “The Geopolitics of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and its Security Implications for India.” *Korean Journal of International Studies*, 17, no.3 (2019): 337-354
- Gill, Don McLain. “The Global War on Terror as a Catalyst for Cooperation: Analyzing India-Southeast Asia Relations from 1947 to the post-9/11 Period.” *Journal of Social and Political Sciences*, 2, no. 3 (2019): 522-528

Select Expert Commentary Articles

- Just the Beginning: Why India-Philippines Ties Will Continue to Blossom (The National Interest)
- India, the Taliban, and the Country In Between (The Diplomat)
- Will the Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment be a Game-changer in the Indo-Pacific? (East-West Center)
- Marcos Will Have to Steer the Philippines Through Turbulent Waters (The Diplomat)
- The Present and Future of Philippines-India Strategic Relations (The Manila Times)
- Proactive autonomy: Toward a Marcos Doctrine in Philippine foreign policy (The Manila Times)
- Strengthening the U.S.-Indian Partnership After Ukraine (The National Interest)
- Philippines’ brewing power struggle with China: Need for enhanced India-Philippines naval cooperation (Financial Express)
 - How India’s neutral Ukraine stance draws it closer to Southeast Asia (South China Morning Post)
 - India Central Asia summit: View: India must maintain a consistent presence in Central Asia (The Economic Times)
- Prospects for India-France-Japan Trilateral Cooperation in the Western Indian Ocean – South Asian Voices
- Broadening India–Philippines cooperation towards blue economy | ORF (orfonline.org)
- Aman-21 a wake-up call for Indian foreign policy - Asia Times
- Towards Southeast Asia: India’s Balancing Strategy – South Asian Voices
- The significance of a growing India-Philippines strategic partnership | ORF (orfonline.org)
- Beyond the Military Domain: A Potential Role for the Quad in South Asia | Global Policy Journal
- India Must Secure the Indian Ocean to Deter China’s Assertion Along the Border | RUSI
- Kautilya’s Silent Wars in Cyberspace — THE FLETCHER FORUM OF WORLD AFFAIRS

Other Publications

- *The BrahMos Sale and the Bigger Picture*, National University of Singapore, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, China-India Brief, No. 197, February 2022
- *Business as Usual is not yet an option for India-China Relations*, National University of Singapore, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, China-India Brief, No. 177, February 2021
- *Counterterrorism: A Steppingstone for India-Philippines Relations*, Armed Forces of the Philippines Digest, Vol 24, No. 3, September 2020.
- *Pakistan and the Rogue State Narrative*, RUSI Newsbrief, Vol 40, No. 5, June 2020

REGULAR TELEVISION AND NEWSPAPER INTERVIEWS AND APPEARANCES

Select TV Channels: CNN Philippines (Philippines), WION (India), ANC (Philippines), Bloomberg (Dubai), India Today (India), NewsX (India), AL24 (Algeria), RT (Russia), Sansad TV (India), ANews (Turkey), TRT World (Turkey), Republic (India), AlQahera News (Egypt)

Select Newspapers: South China Morning Post (Hong Kong), Voice of America (U.S.), Times of India (India), The Annapurna Express (Nepal), Dhaka Tribune (Bangladesh), Hindustan Times (India), Sputnik (Russia), MoneyControl (India)

SELECT PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENTS: LECTURES, TALKS, AND PANEL DISCUSSIONS

- **Jan 2023:** Lecture on theorizing India's rise in an emerging Multipolar Asia. Organized by the California State University Dominguez Hills
- **Dec 2022:** Lecture on the theoretical foundations of the evolving India-Philippines Strategic Partnership. Organized by the Philippine Women's University
- **Oct 2022:** Expert panel discussion on the Implications of the Taliban's Reemergence for South Asian security. Organized by the Consortium of Indo-Pacific Researchers.
- **Sept 2022:** Lecture on the theoretical dynamics of Southeast Asia's evolving geopolitics and India-Southeast Asian relations, organized by the Foreign Policy Research Centre
- **July 2022:** Lecture on the Emerging theoretical trends in India's Foreign Policy and Global Politics. Organized by the Impact and Policy Research Institute
- **June 2022:** Expert panel discussion on China's geopolitical engagements in the South Pacific. Organized by the Centre for Public Policy Research
- **April 2022:** Expert panel discussion on the China's evolving global ambitions. Organized by the Indic Researchers Forum and the Chennai Centre for China Studies
- **April 2022:** Lecture on the impact of the Ukraine-Russia war to the Philippine economy. Organized by the American Chamber of Commerce, Philippines
- **April 2022:** Expert panel discussion on India's Act East and its Northeast Region. Organized by Jadavpur University
- **March 2022:** Expert panel discussion on the Ukraine-Russia war and its implications for Southeast Asian security. Organized by Hesperus Research and Development Organization and Strategic Policy Group
- **March 2022:** Expert panel discussion on the Ukraine-Russia war and its impact on the security of the Indo-Pacific. Organized by the Association of Asia Scholars
- **December 2021:** Lecture on the security dynamics of Afghanistan in South Asia. Organized by the Polytechnic University of the Philippines
- **November 2021:** Expert panel discussion on the rising threat of China in the Indo-Pacific. Organized by the Indic Researchers Forum
- **October 2021:** Lecture on the Philippines' Indo-Pacific strategy and its partnership with India. This was organized by the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP)
- **October 2021:** Lecture on the geopolitical implications of the Taliban's take-over of Afghanistan. Organized by the Cavite State University
- **October 2021:** Lecture on the challenges and opportunities of India's vaccine diplomacy. Organized by the Maharashtra National Law University Aurangabad
- **August 2021:** Lecture on the geopolitical and theoretical dynamics of the Mekong River. This event was organized by the Eastern Interest (India)
- **June 2021:** Lecture on the opportunities and challenges of the India-US strategic partnership, organized by St. Albert's College (Autonomous), India
- **June 2021:** Expert panel discussion on the future of geopolitics, organized by the Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA) and DAP Graduate School of Public and Development Management
- **June 2021:** Expert panel discussion on China's geopolitical engagement in South Asia, organized by the Philippine Association for Chinese Studies (PACS)
- **March 2021:** Lecture on South Asian geopolitics and regionalism, organized by the Miriam College Department of International Studies and the Philippine International Studies Organization (PHISO)
- **November 2020:** Lecture on India-Philippines strategic relations and implications for the United States and China, organized by the American Chamber of Commerce (Philippines) and the Overseas Security Advisory Council
- **August 2020:** Lecture on the relevance of political realism today, organized by Farak