

The Cold War, Bipolarity Structure and The Power Vacuum in the East and South East Asia after 1945

ABSTRACT

This paper discusses the origin of the Cold War, the creation of the new polarity after Second World War and the political development in the east and South East Asian region. Three approaches were useful in explaining the origin of the Cold War; the traditionalists, revisionists and post-revisionists. The regional political development and power configuration in the East and South East Asian region were the result of the new bipolarity structure that was emerged after 1945.