**PSRD HOLDS A RESEARCH AGENDA WORKSHOP ON 12 FEBRUARY 2016** 



IPSTC 2016 Research Agenda Workshop Participants

The Peace and Security Research Department held a research agenda workshop on Friday, 12 February at the Karen Campus. The theme for the agenda was "*Creating an enabling environment for peace and security in Eastern Africa*" and 26 topics were presented in line with this agenda under the sub-themes: peace support operations; protection of civilians; terrorism and radicalisation; disaster management and response; governance; transitional justice; and cross border conflicts. These topics were informed by a survey of the felt peace and security needs in the region and discussions among stakeholders. Additionally, the topics covered countries in the region such as Kenya, Uganda, South Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Somalia, Rwanda, Seychelles and Comoros.

The event was officially opened by Commander Tomohiro TOMIMATSU Japanese Defense Attaché to Kenya who gave a keynote address. This was followed by the launching of the 2015 research products. Other invited guests in attendance included: policy makers in key national and regional peace security institutions, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) working in the area of peace and security, UN agencies, and representatives from local academic institutions. The role of the participants was to peer review and give suggestions about the topics presented. After this workshop, the researchers will select topics for Occasional papers and Issue briefs which they will work on throughout the year.



Commander TOMIMATSU Launches the 2015 Publications