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## LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre Research Fund

The LSE Southeast Asia Centre invites LSE Faculty and LSE Saw Swee Hock Centre associates applications for funding in aid of research on social science issues relevant to Southeast Asia. The aim is to promote high-quality research by LSE scholars on Southeast Asia.

### Aims of the project

- To support scholarly work on social science issues relevant to Southeast Asia.
- To fill a gap in the available support for social science research, particularly funding field research, research assistantships for junior scholars, and scholarly exchange.

### Eligibility

- Seven grants are available up to 7,500 GBP each.
- The funds must be used specifically to facilitate new or on-going research on Southeast Asia.
- Eligible expenses include: field research travel, research assistance, translation, conference attendance, and research materials (books, secondary sources and access to primary data).
- Ineligible expenses are salaries, physical infrastructure, vehicle purchase, rent, permanent resources, large equipment, institutional overheads and endowments.

### Deliverables

Each grant recipient is required to contribute **at least one** of the following: two Op-eds or Blog posts **OR** participate in one seminar, lecture or workshop part of the LSE SEAC engagement series. (If needed, LSE SEAC will cover travel expenses to London for these events. These costs should not be included as part of the 7,500 GBP grant budget).

### To apply

- Proposals are invited for research that will commence February 2016. These are to be submitted electronically by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015 to Zoe Koustoumpardi [[seac.admin@lse.ac.uk](mailto:seac.admin@lse.ac.uk)].

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- Proposals of no more than 1,500 words should address the four evaluation criteria laid out in the Selection Process section below and should be structured under the following subheadings:
  - Context and aims;
  - Activities and outcomes (please include a clear timeline);
  - Contribution to the wider project aims and objectives;
  - Personnel (please include a 1-2 sentence biography);
  - Budget (describing how the funds will be spent).

## **Selection Process**

Proposals will be considered by a Selection Committee comprising the LSE SEAC Director, an LSE researcher external to SEAC, and two further members drawn, on a rotating basis, from the Centre's Associates (including the Deputy Director). The Committee will assess proposals based on the following:

1. Contribution made to the project aims and activities;
2. Originality, significance, and rigour of the research;
3. Evidence on time to completion and delivery of proposed outcomes;
4. Value for money.

## **Award of Funds**

- Proposals selected by the committee will be awarded funds subject to the School's Research Ethics Policy. The awards will be announced in late January 2016 with funding available from February 2016.
- LSE SEAC will host and administer all awards, with oversight provided by LSE Research Division.
- Applications are invited for activities to take place within LSE academic years 2015-16 and 2016-17.

## **Submission and Enquires**

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