

## LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre



# LSE-Southeast Asia Early Career Researcher Network News

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#### **ECR Network News and Updates**



We regret to announce that the ASEAS UK 50th anniversary conference hosted by LSE SEAC has been postponed. New dates and alternative arrangements will be announced soon.

In these challenging times, SEAC would like to engage with questions surrounding what 'the new normal' of life under a pandemic means, for various segments of populations and economies (informal as well as formal), as well as what kind of 'normal' we might envisage these societies returning to after the pandemic.

We would like to invite ECR Network members to submit expressions of interest in contributing to a series of online seminars. If you would like to contribute, please send your expression of interest with a tentative title and a short description (50~100 words) to SEAC Director Prof Hyun Bang Shin (h.b.shin@lse.ac.uk) copying it also to seac.admin@lse.ac.uk by Friday 30th April.

Contributions to online seminars would comprise a short intervention of about 10 minutes from each contributor. Contributors are also invited to, if they wish to, make a written submission of a blog to be published by SEAC.



### **New Publications and Media**



ECR Network member Dr Lisa Tulley (Birkbeck University of London) just published an article titled <u>"A Strange Industrial</u> <u>Order": Indonesia's Racialized Plantation Ecologies and</u> <u>Anticolonial Estate Worker Rebellions</u>" in the journal *History of the Present.* 

ECR Network member Charles Dunst (LSE) has published a new Strategic Update for LSE IDEAS on the interest of China and the US in Southeast Asia, titled <u>"Battleground Southeast</u> Asia". Moreover, he published an article in *Foreign Policy* on the state of Chinese propaganda, titled <u>"Beijing's Propaganda Is Finding Few Takers</u>.





New ECR Network member Al Lim (LSE) has published an article in the Singapore Policy Journal on the economic impacts of ASEAN government policy responses to Covid-19, titled <u>"Will</u> <u>There be a Nouveau Poor?</u>". ECR Network member Evan A. Laksmana (CSIS) has published an article in the Jakarta Post titled <u>"Why the COVID-19 pandemic</u> was a 'strategic surprise' for Indonesia". Moreover, his interview for the podcast "Indonesia In-depth", titled <u>"No Time for</u> <u>Maritime"</u>, is out now.

### **Opportunities**

Call for chapters in an edited book, "The Price of Belonging in Contemporary Asia" to be edited by Éva Rozália Hölzle and Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka.

In this edited volume, the authors will investigate when and how belonging comes at a "price" by focusing upon specific ethnographic case studies across Asia. as, social background, gender, ethnicity, caste and national affiliation, economic status, and age are taken into account? What are the different forms of "stipulations" through which persons gain and secure membership? How are individual and collective commitments negotiated and renegotiated in everyday life situations? What makes some people stay in a formation while others opt for an exit? What happens to those who are unable or unwilling to bear the demands? How is an exit in everyday situations carried out and negotiated? What are the social consequences of transgressions? How, and in which ways, are transgressors rendered accountable?

Deadline abstract submissions: **15.06.2020** (Length about 300 words) Deadline chapter submissions: **15.09.2020** (Length between 7000 and 8000 words including references and footnote) Contact: eva\_rozalia.hoelzle@uni-bielefeld.de





The South Asia Centre at the London School of Economics & Political Science, in collaboration with the Charles Wallace Burma Trust, invites applications for short-term research for a maximum period of 12 weeks, to be spent as a Visiting Fellow at the South Asia Centre, London School of Economics & Political Science, London. The Fellowship will include a monthly stipend of £1,500, and a contribution of £1,300 towards other costs (including visa fees and air fare) paid by the Charles Wallace Burma Trust.

The deadline for submission of completed applications for the academic year 2020-21 is 1700 hrs UK time on 30 August 2020. More information can be found <u>here.</u>





SEAC offers a Seminar Series and Networking Grant, for which it considers applications on a rolling basis. The scheme is open to Centre Associates, LSE academic/research staff and LSE Early Career Researchers, including PhD students. Non-LSE ECRs are also encouraged to collaborate with LSE-based colleagues to apply for funding. The scheme is intended for seminar series, study groups or networking events focusing on social science issues relevant to Southeast Asia, aligning with one or more of SEAC's core research themes of urbanisation, connectivity and governance. You can find more info here. If you'd like to discuss an idea before applying, please feel free to get in touch with us at seac.admin@lse.ac.uk.

Don't forget, SEAC hosts a wealth of publications by staff and Associates and podcasts of past SEAC events, which you can access via the <u>SEAC Publications and Media page</u>.



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The Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre (SEAC) is a multi-disciplinary Research Centre within the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Building on the School's deep academic and historical connections with Southeast Asia, SEAC seeks to foster world-leading academic and policy research with a focus on the Southeast Asian social and political landscape.

SEAC is LSE's gateway to understanding Southeast Asia.

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