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SAW SWEE HOCK SOUTHEAST ASIA CENTRE

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The Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre (SEAC) is an inter-disciplinary, regionally-focused academic centre within the Institute of Global Affairs at LSE.

The Centre builds on LSE's deep historical connections with Southeast Asia: It promotes the best academic and policy research on the region, it deepens research ties with Southeast Asia, and in London focuses on improving the LSE student experience.

SEAC is LSE's gateway to understanding Southeast Asia.



## Director's Message



The Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre at LSE began with one input alone: Professor Saw Swee Hock's infectious mix of energy, enthusiasm, and passion for excellence. Professor Saw added to that his critical financial contribution, and the Centre was launched.

When in October 2014 we first hung up the SEAC placard at LSE, the Centre in

its entirety comprised a team of one and a half people. Within the first six months, we had become the first newly-established active regional centre at LSE's Institute of Global Affairs; we had built a credible web presence; we had put together a dedicated Southeast Asia team of academic Associates; and the SEAC name had been broadcast around the world to hundreds of millions, drawing attention to our analyses of global politics and economics. SEAC formally launched in January 2015 with an inaugural lecture by Nazir Razak, later named Asia's Business Leader of 2015 by Asia House. The lecture and reception were attended by all of Southeast Asia's top diplomatic representatives in London, key UK government personnel, and students from all over the world – including of course LSE's own Southeast Asian students.

Since then SEAC has continued to deliver high-profile, edgy public events and appearances by our members; intense academic meetings; timely Southeast Asia publications and research projects, and intellectual leadership through our Associates. We have worked to add to the range of financial support available to Southeast Asian students at LSE. We have sought to break down intellectual and regional silos, and our personnel are as much at ease engaging with issues ranging from security and anthropology to religion, as with economics and political science.

At LSE, SEAC is recognised for its academic and cross-region collaborations, and for leading on institutional innovation in our public events. We have worked hard to improve the student experience.

As Director, it is of course my job, among other things, to extol the virtues of the Centre, and I do so in no hollow terms: our SEAC achievements and trajectory are matters of which I am truly proud to celebrate.

**Professor Danny Quah**

Director, LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre



## Key Focuses

### Pushing the boundaries of Southeast Asia research

The Centre draws from a rich array of Southeast Asia experts at LSE who work alongside colleagues from across disciplines and from around the world on research relevant to the region. Pursuing two overarching topics of development, trade integration and urbanisation, and governance, representation and democracy, we draw on this expertise to inform policy makers, governments and business leaders in the region.

### Building a network of exceptional Southeast Asian scholars

The Centre nurtures new generations of Southeast Asian scholars. We run interdisciplinary postgraduate research seminars and workshops for students from LSE and across the UK working on Southeast Asia, offer specialised short courses and training for private or public groups with interests in the region, and host joint research workshops alternately at LSE and in the region.

### Promoting dialogue and engagement

The Centre ensures that the reach of its work extends as widely as possible through public lectures and a series of jointly-organised events that draw on well-established links with government representatives and think tanks in the region.





# A generous gift from Professor Saw Swee Hock



### Fiscal Year 2014/15

INCOME FROM	Amount £
Professor Saw Swee Hock donation	£400,000

EXPENDITURE	
Staff Costs	£83,100
Non-Staff Costs	£27,058
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	£110,158
OVERHEADS	£25,745
OPENING BALANCE	£264,097

Professor Saw Swee Hock is an esteemed alumnus of LSE whose generous gift enabled the establishment of the LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre in July 2014.

“I am delighted to support the establishment of this Centre to enable LSE to consolidate and strengthen its education and research on the Southeast Asia region among students, researchers and faculty members. A deeper understanding of the 10 countries with diverse political and economic systems, bonded together by ASEAN, will engender lasting benefits to the School’s academic community and graduates viewed in terms of the increasingly inter-dependent world economy and a further rise of Asia in the years ahead.”

Professor Saw is well known for his philanthropic endeavours, particularly in the area of tertiary education. He has generously supported universities in Singapore, Hong Kong, China and England to advance higher education, research, and social mobility among less privileged students. A loyal donor to LSE, Professor Saw has supported scholarships through the Singapore LSE Trust, the LSE Asia Forums in Singapore and Beijing, the Library, the New Academic Building and the Saw Swee Hock Student Centre. His other alma mater, the NUS, has received the major share of his gifts, the largest towards the establishment of the NUS Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health.

Currently Professorial Fellow at ISEAS, Professor Saw has received numerous accolades for his philanthropic and academic achievements. He was named Honorary Professor of Statistics at the University of Hong Kong, Honorary Professor at Xiamen University, and President’s Honorary Professor of Statistics at NUS. He was made an Honorary Fellow at LSE and an Honorary University Fellow of the University of Hong Kong. Professor Saw was conferred the Outstanding Service Award by NUS, the Singapore President’s Award for Philanthropy, and the Public Service Medal (PBM) by the Singapore Government in the 2013 National Day Awards, and was named as one of the ‘48 Heroes of Philanthropy’ in the Asia-Pacific Region by Forbes Asia magazine in 2014. In 2015, he was conferred the Honorary Doctor of Letters by NUS and the Distinguished Alumni Leadership Award by LSE.

# People

## Staff



### Professor Danny Quah Centre Director

Danny Quah is Director of the Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre, within the Institute of Global Affairs, and Professor of Economics and International Development; Senior Fellow, LSE IDEAS, Chair of the LSE-PKU Summer School Board and Academic Director of LSE’s Executive Summer School. He served on Malaysia’s National Economic Advisory Council from 2009-2011. Professor Quah was the first Head of Department for Economics at LSE from 2006-2009.

Forthcoming publication: *Ordering the World: Truth to Power*.



### Zoe Koustoumpardi Centre Manager

Zoe is responsible for the day-to-day running of the Centre. She oversees its financial arrangements, execution of events and research activities and external communication, and supports its strategic planning and fundraising.

### Dr Kirsten Schulze Deputy Director

Kirsten Schulze is Deputy Director of the Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre and Associate Professor at the International History Department at the LSE. Previously, she was Head of the Southeast Asia Programme at LSE IDEAS.

Latest publication: *Transforming the Aceh conflict: from military solutions to political agreement*. In: Freedman, Amy L., (ed.) The Internationalization of Internal Conflicts: Threatening the State. Routledge, Abingdon, UK



### Quynh Le Vo Centre Assistant

Le joined SEAC in October 2015 through the LSE Graduate Internship Scheme, and is assisting with the daily administrative tasks of the Centre. She is responsible for the Centre’s newsletters, website maintenance and assisting with SEAC’s event programme.



### Jennifer Louise Burns Project Assistant

Jennifer joined SEAC in April 2016 and is assisting with the delivery and execution of the inaugural LSE Southeast Asia Forum, 13 May 2016.

# People continued

## Centre Associates

**Catherine Allerton**, Associate Professor of Anthropology at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).

She is a specialist in the anthropology of island Southeast Asia, and has conducted ethnographic fieldwork in Flores, Indonesia and Sabah, East Malaysia. Dr Allerton's current research explores experiences of exclusion, belonging and potential statelessness amongst the children of refugees and migrants in Sabah, East Malaysia. [www.childrenofmigrationsabah.com](http://www.childrenofmigrationsabah.com)

**Fenella Cannell**, Associate Professor in Social Anthropology at LSE.

She has carried out historically-based work on the Philippines, especially on education, kinship, and gender in the American colonial period.

Latest publication: Mckinnon, Susie and Cannell, Fenella, eds. (2013) *Vital relations: modernity and the persistent life of kinship* (SAR Press, Santa Fe, USA).

**Sylvia Chant**, Professor of Development Geography at LSE.

Her main interest in Southeast Asia is the Philippines, on which she written (with Cathy Mcllwaine) *Women of a Lesser Cost: Female Labour, Foreign Exchange and Philippine Development* (Pluto, 1995).

Forthcoming publication: Chant, Sylvia and Mcllwaine, Cathy (2016) *Cities, Slums and Gender in the Global South: Towards a Feminised Urban Future* (Routledge 2016).

**Rosemary Foot**, Senior Research Fellow in International Relations at the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford and an Emeritus Fellow of St Antony's College.

Her research interests include security issues in the Asia-Pacific; institutional developments in the Asia-Pacific; and human rights; China's regional policy; human rights consequences of counter-terrorist action.

Forthcoming publication: *The State, Development and Humanitarianism: China's Shaping of the Trajectory of the 'Responsibility to Protect'*.



**Greg Fischer**, Lecturer in Economics at LSE.

His research focuses on combining economic theory, field experiments, and more traditional empirical analysis to understand how economic development works and how it can work better.

Forthcoming publication: *The Catch-22 of External Validity in the Context of Constraints to Firm Growth*, with Dean Karlan, American Economic Review: Papers & Proceedings.

**Tim Forsyth**, Professor of Environment and International Development at LSE.

He is a specialist on the politics of environment and development, with a focus on understanding contested science and risk within environmental governance.

Latest publication: Forsyth, Tim and Walker, Andrew (2014) *Hidden alliances: rethinking environmentality and the politics of knowledge in Thailand's campaign for community forestry*. Conservation and Society, 12(4), pp. 408-417.

**Jurgen Haacke**, Associate Professor of International Relations at LSE.

His research interests and expertise relate to three areas in particular: the international politics of Southeast Asia; regional organisations and arrangements in the Asia-Pacific, especially ASEAN; and the politics and foreign relations of Burma/Myanmar.

Latest publication: *Myanmar and the United States: Prospects for a Limited Security Partnership* (United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney, 2015).

**Nicholas Long**, Assistant Professor of Anthropology at LSE.

He is a specialist in the anthropology of Indonesia and the Malay World, with a particular focus on the ways that processes of political change influence the experience of self, agency, and relations with others – interests that developed through conducting long-term fieldwork in Indonesia's Riau Archipelago.

Latest publication: *Being Malay in Indonesia* (NUS Press, 2013).

**Tan Sri Dr Munir Majid**, Chairman of Bank Muamalat, visiting senior fellow at LSE IDEAS and Chairman of CIMB Asean Research Institute.

He is an occasional contributor to The Edge, Malaysia's leading business weekly, covering mainly contemporary economic and political issues, and a regular contributor to the Star, Malaysia's leading English newspaper.

**James Putzel**, Professor of Development Studies and Director of the Crises States Research Centre at LSE.

His current research is focusing on politics and governance in crisis states including work on understanding 'Failed States', political Islam in Southeast Asia and the politics of the HIV/AIDS crisis.

Latest publication: Putzel, James and Di John, Jonathan (2012) *Meeting the challenges of crisis states*, Crisis States Research Centre report (The London School of Economics and Political Science, London).

**Hyun Bang Shin**, Associate Professor of Geography and Urban Studies at LSE.

His main research interests lie in the critical analysis of the political economic dynamics of urban (re-) development. Dr Shin has written widely on Asian urbanisation, speculative urbanism, the politics of displacement and urban spectacles.

Forthcoming publication: *Making China Urban* (Routledge, 2016).

**Felicia Yap**, Associate of the LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre and Affiliate of the Centre of South Asian Studies at Cambridge University.

Dr Yap's research centres on the Japanese occupation of Southeast and East Asia during the Second World War. The focus of her work is primarily on the wartime experiences of Japanese-held POWs and civilians in occupied Malaya, Singapore, Borneo and Hong Kong.

Forthcoming publication: *Japanese Propaganda in Occupied British Asia during the Second World War*. In: Jackson, A. (ed.) *An Imperial World at War* (Ashgate, 2016).



## People *continued*



## Visiting Appointments

### **Ken Teoh** Visiting Research Student

Ken was a Visiting Research Student from July-August 2015. His key interests are in econometrics, statistical modelling, and consumer and macroeconomic data analysis.

### **Lucy Zhu** Visiting Research Student

Lucy was a Visiting Research Student from July-August 2015. Lucy is a 2015 graduate of Wellesley College in Boston, USA, where she studied economics.

### **Dr Trude Jacobsen** Visiting Senior Fellow Associate Professor, Department of History, Northern Illinois University.

Dr Jacobsen's research interests include the cultural history of madness, psychiatry, and mental health in mainland Southeast Asia from c. 1800 to 1950. She will run seminars around her regional expertise on Cambodia, Burma/Myanmar and southern Vietnam to graduate students as well as a workshop on grant-writing, getting published and HEIs.

### **Professor Jörn Dosch** Visiting Professor Professor and Chair of International Politics, Department of Political and Administrative Sciences at the University of Rostock, and Adjunct Professor, Monash University Malaysia.

Professor Dosch visited SEAC in March 2016 to pursue research that will lead to a single-authored monograph on the foreign policies of the ten ASEAN member states that will lead to a single-authored monograph. While at the Centre, he organised a series of seminars and a workshop with LSE colleagues and other experts in the UK.

## The Khattar Scholarships

The Khattar Scholarships, generously supported by LSE alumnus Arvind Khattar (BSc Economics 2002), have an affiliation with SEAC. They are available to students from a Southeast Asian country to study on any taught master's programme.

### Khattar Scholar 2015/16

#### **Bhavan Jaipragas** MSc Politics and Communication

Bhavan was previously a Singapore-based journalist with Agence France-Presse, covering general political news in the city-state and Southeast Asia. He hopes the postgraduate degree at LSE will deepen his domain knowledge on political communication and prepare him to take on leadership positions in the newsroom.

#### **Khattar Scholarships 2016/17**

Three awards of £33,000 will be made available for a one year taught master's programme in any subject and applicants must be resident in one of the following countries: Brunei, Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand or Vietnam.





# LSE SEAC Research Fund

LSE Faculty and Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre Associates are invited to apply 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

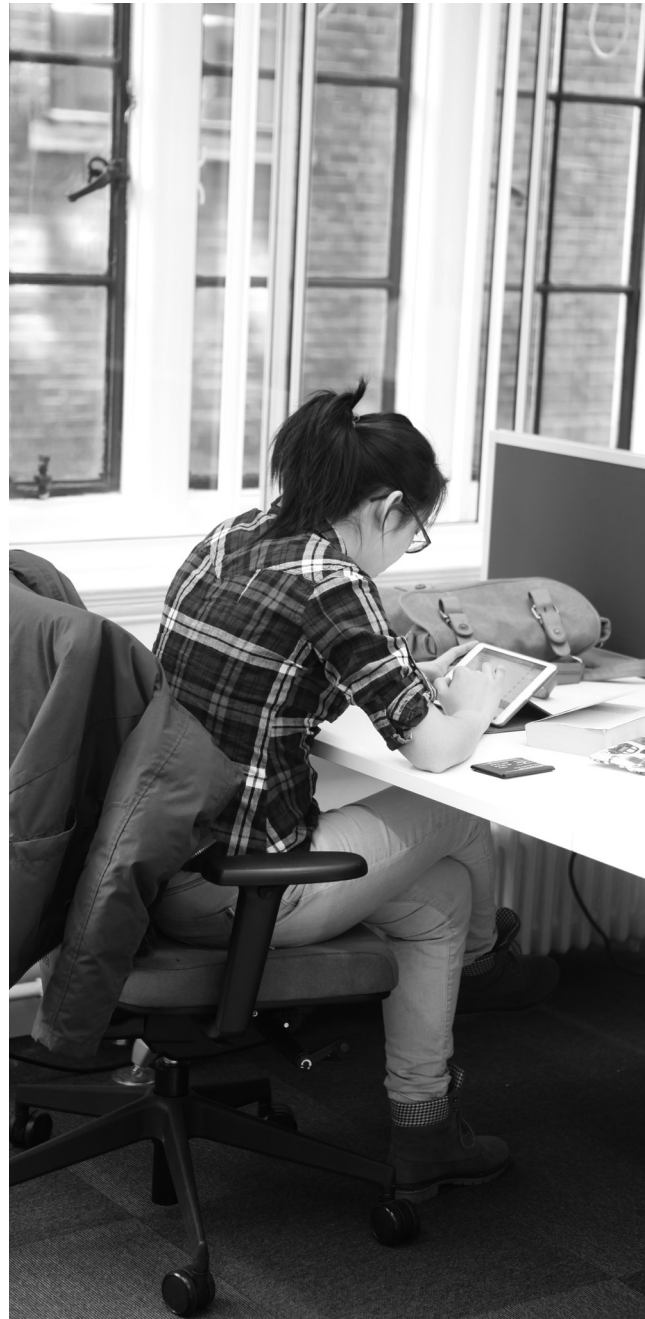
- To support scholarly work on social science issues relevant to Southeast Asia.
- To fill a gap in the available support for social science research, particularly funding field research, research assistantships for junior scholars, and scholarly exchange.

## Eligibility

- Seven grants of up to £7,500 each are available for activities to take place within LSE academic years 2015/16 and 2016/17.
- 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 grant budget.)



## Funded Projects 2015-2017

### **The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) and Vietnam's Position in the Global Textile and Apparel Industry: Implications for Regional Investments, Trade, and Labour**

Focusing on the case of Asian trans-national producers, this project will address the main investment and trade shifts that will take place locally and regionally as part of Vietnam accession to the TPP and the implications of these shifts for Vietnam in regard to labour rights.

**Principal Investigator:** Dr Shamel Azmeh, Fellow at the Department of International Development, LSE

### **From Alternative Development to Sustainable Development: A Case Study of Myanmar**

The Golden Triangle in Southeast Asia has been a major opium-producing area in the world since WWII, making drug policy a significant issue in the region. This project aims to establish sustainable development as the key framework for drug policy reform in Myanmar above current policy recommendations that focus on the symptomatic issues surrounding problematic drug use.

**Principal Investigator:** Dr John Collins, Executive Director of the LSE IDEAS International Drug Policy Project

### **Perceptions of Politics in Southeast Financial Markets**

When most Western studies of international political economy focus on "market perceptions" of various phenomena of interest, they implicitly refer to Western market reactions. Investigating non-Western investor perceptions of country risk and reputations, this project aims to establish the determinants and differences in Southeast Asian finance and to draw conclusions about the future of multipolar investment.

**Principal Investigator:** Dr Julia Gray, Assistant Professor of International Relations, LSE

### **Explaining Shifts in US Burma Policy: The Role of Foreign Policy Entrepreneurs**

Myanmar's democratic reforms have followed a prior major change in US Burma policy, namely the Obama administration's decision to re-engage the military regime in 2009. This project will examine the major shifts in US policy toward Myanmar and explain these as instances of successful foreign policy entrepreneurship.

**Principal investigator:** Dr Jurgen Haacke, Associate Professor of International Relations, LSE and Centre Associate at the Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre

### **Developing a General Equilibrium Model for Vietnam to Capture the Economic Impact of Social Protection Programmes**

Vietnam's national social protection strategy has been more comprehensive and effective than that of many countries in Southeast Asia. This project will develop a new social accounting matrix and a General Equilibrium Model to represent Vietnam's economy and to offer a comparison point with Cambodia, where the social protection strategy struggles to materialise.

**Principal Investigator:** Dr Stephanie Levy, Visiting Research Fellow at the Department of International Development, LSE

### **Communal Violence, Mujahedin and Child Fighters: A History of the Ambon Conflict 1999-2003**

The objective of this project is to analyse the causes and the dynamics of the Ambon conflict, an understudied communal conflict which saw large scale violence between Muslims and Christians in Indonesia. Part of the project will also focus on the not insignificant number of child fighters involved in the conflict.

**Principal Investigator:** Dr Kirsten Schulze, Associate Professor of International History, LSE and Deputy Director of the Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre

### **Property before People: Real Estate Assets, Inequalities and Contestation of Property Rights in Southeast Asia**

This project aims to understand inequalities associated with real estate asset accumulation, and people's contestation of property rights in Southeast Asia, especially in Singapore and Vietnam. Examining the changing perception of these issues would provide insight into how housing inequalities are closely related to the broader structural issues of state legitimacy and social stability.

**Principal Investigator:** Dr Hyun Bang Shin, Associate Professor of Geography and Urban Studies, LSE and Centre Associate at the Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre

# LSE SEAC Events

The Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre hosts wide and varied events, with the aim to build upon a history of engagement between the LSE and Southeast Asia.

## Public Lectures 2015/16

Wednesday 28 January 2015

### AEC 2015: A Perspective From Business

**Speaker:** Dato' Sri Nazir Razak

**Chair:** Professor Danny Quah

Tuesday 10 February 2015

### Hong Kong: The Struggle at the End of History

**Speakers:** Professor Danny Quah, Professor Conor Gearty, Isabella Steger and Raymond Li

**Chair:** Dr Mukulika Banerjee

Saturday 28 February 2015

### Literary Festival 2015 – Rebellion and Foundation: Southeast Asia, the UK, and 50 years of development

**Speakers:** Ahmad Zakii Anwar, Nickson Fong and Yang-May Ooi

**Chair:** Dr Felicia Yap

Monday 11 May 2015

### Dealing with China

**Speakers:** Henry M. Paulson and Lionel Barber

**Chair:** Professor Danny Quah

Monday 5 October 2015

### Myanmar on the Brink

**Speakers:** Mark Canning, Dr Jurgen Haacke, Shibani Mahtani

**Chair:** Professor Danny Quah

Tuesday 15 March 2016

### The Philippines and China: Options for Resolving Overlapping Claims in the South China Sea

**Speaker:** His Excellency Enrique A. Manalo

**Chair:** Professor James Putzel

Monday 25 April 2016

### How Did Aung San Suu Kyi Win So Big?

**Speaker:** Peter Popham

**Chair:** Dr Jurgen Haacke

Wednesday 27 April 2016

### Rebranding ASEAN as a New Global Player

**Speaker:** Abhisit Vejjajiva

**Chair:** Professor Danny Quah

## Seminars 2015/16

Wednesday 4 March 2015

### Post-Coup Thailand: Anxiety over the Royal Succession

**Speakers:** Dr Pavin Chachavalpongpun and Dr Kirsten Schulze

Tuesday 5 May 2015

### Malaysia: Healing the Nation

**Speaker:** Tunku 'Abidin Muhriz, Professor Danny Quah

Wednesday 13 May 2015

### Malaysia: Fighting Religious Extremism

**Speaker:** Dato Noor Farida Ariffin

**Chair:** Professor Danny Quah

Wednesday 21 October 2015

### Monks and Politics in Theravada Southeast Asia

**Speaker:** Matthew Walton

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Wednesday 18 November 2015

### Compliant Citizenship: On the Islamic Authority of the Indonesian State

**Speaker:** Dr Nicholas Long

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Tuesday 1 December 2015

### New Attitudes to Peacekeeping Operations in ASEAN

**Speaker:** Dr David Capie

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Wednesday 2 December 2015

### Trading Places? Muslim modernists and traditionalists in Indonesia since the Reformasi

**Speaker:** Dr Nicholas Long

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Monday 7 December 2015

### ISIS in Southeast Asia: The Apocalypse, Just War and Pragmatic Jihad

**Speaker:** Dr Greg Fealy

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Wednesday 13 January 2016

### The Material Culture of Japanese-held captives in WWII British Asia

**Speaker:** Dr Felicia Yap

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Wednesday 20 January 2016

### Australia's role in Indonesian independence – liberal internationalism in action, or the realpolitik of regional security?

**Speaker:** Bruce Watson

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze





Wednesday 3 February 2016

### **Borneo Burning: Deforestation, El Nino, Reforestation**

**Speaker:** Dr Roger Montgomery

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Wednesday 10 February 2016

### **A tale of two endings: a comparative perspective on civil war in Papua and East Timor**

**Speaker:** Dr Claire Smith

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Wednesday 9 March 2016

### **Middle Eastern and South Asian migrants in the colonial Philippines**

**Speaker:** Professor William Clarence-Smith

**Chair:** Dr Kirsten Schulze

Monday 21 March 2016

### **Before It Spread Like Wildfire: an archaeological perspective on slash-and-burn farming**

**Speakers:** Dr David Clinnick, Dr James Walker

**Chair:** Dr Hans Steinmüller

## Conferences And Workshops 2015/16

Friday, 15 May 2015

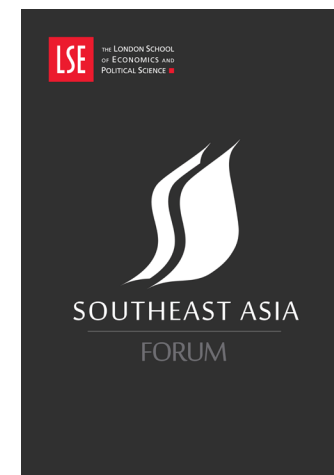
### **LSE Southeast Asia and ASEASUK Postgraduate Workshop**

In collaboration with the Association of Southeast Asian Studies in the United Kingdom (ASEASUK), SEAC hosted a postgraduate workshop on Southeast Asia at LSE. The workshop focused on the growing presence of Southeast Asia in world affairs, the internal diversity of Southeast Asian states, historical legacies, future possibilities for growth, Britain's past colonial relations with the region, Britain's current economic and political interests, and Southeast Asian Diasporas.

Saturday, 28 November 2015

### **LSE Asia Forum in Singapore**

The LSE Asia Forum in Singapore featured LSE faculty panel Discussions, a state of the School address from LSE Director Professor Craig Calhoun, as well as plenty of opportunities for networking with alumni and friends. Panels: Political Openness and Economic Performance: Asian Lessons; ASEAN – Issues and the State of Play; What Genuine Development Means. Distinguished Alumni Leadership Award: Presented to Professor Saw Swee Hock (PhD Statistics, 1963).



Friday 13 May 2016

### **LSE Southeast Asia Forum**

SEAC will proudly host the first Southeast Asia Forum at LSE. The Forum will be comprised of a day-long conference that will focus on key issues concerning the region, drawing in experts from the UK and Southeast Asia, as well as LSE's Southeast Asian Student societies.

## Improving the Student Experience

SEAC is not just a research centre. Recognising the large number of Southeast Asian students at LSE and the importance of the university experience to students' learning and development, the Centre also seeks to improve the overall student experience at LSE. For the past 15 months, this has been done through two main initiatives, the Lectures+ project in collaboration with the LSE Students' Union United Nations Society (LSESU UNSOC) and the Centre's close working relationship with the new LSESU ASEAN Society.



## Lectures+

Lectures+ is a concept designed by SEAC and members of LSESU UNSOC, with the aim to enhance the experience of public events at LSE for students, speakers and guests. It seeks to leverage the appetite for engagement of the thousands of people drawn to LSE by its line-up of influential and world-renowned speakers.

The first Lecture+ was organised in February 2016 in collaboration with LSE IDEAS and its Philippe Roman Chair Professor Ian Morris for his public lecture 'Each Age Gets the Bloodshed It Needs: 20,000 Years of Violence'. For this event, Professor Morris was given access to interactive tools that facilitated engagement between the audience and speaker, and helped him to reinforce his key messages. Moreover, exclusive seminars were organised for LSE students who had the chance to discuss with Professor Morris' his ideas before and after the public lecture.

## LSESU ASEAN Society

SEAC has also worked closely with the LSESU ASEAN Society from its initial stages, encouraging the founding members of the Society to pursue their plans of bringing together LSE students from ASEAN countries and building a platform for student engagement with ASEAN related academic and social events.

In March 2016, SEAC and the LSESU ASEAN Society co-organised a highly successful event with His Excellency Enrique Manalo for one of his final public talks as the Philippine Ambassador to the UK. In 2015/16, the Society received the LSE Students' Union Award for Best New Society of the Year.

LSESU ASEAN Society will also be featured in the inaugural LSE Southeast Asia Forum. They will have a reserved slot to showcase their achievements from the past year, as well as to demonstrate the regional related knowledge of LSE students through a panel discussion comprised of winners of the 'ASEAN Horizons' Infographic Contest.



# Institute of Global Affairs (IGA)

The IGA aims to build a vibrant intellectual environment for original, rigorous and significant thinking and broader impact in London, but also to form an alliance of centres of excellence in research and policy thinking in emerging economies. By employing multidisciplinary approaches and encouraging evidence-based policy making, it also aspires to promote deeper understanding and peer-to-peer transfer of knowledge across emerging and developing economies. The IGA wants to offer a 'safe space' that is open, fair and transparent and where students, government, private sector and civil society from all around the world can meet to address the challenges of the 21st century.

## IGA Centres

- Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre
- Africa Centre
- LSE IDEAS
- Latin America Centre
- Middle East Centre
- South Asia Centre
- United States Centre
- Centre for Women, Peace and Security

## IGA Director Erik Berglöf



Professor Erik Berglöf became the inaugural Director of the IGA on 1 February 2015. He joined the School as a Professor in Practice in the Department of Economics.

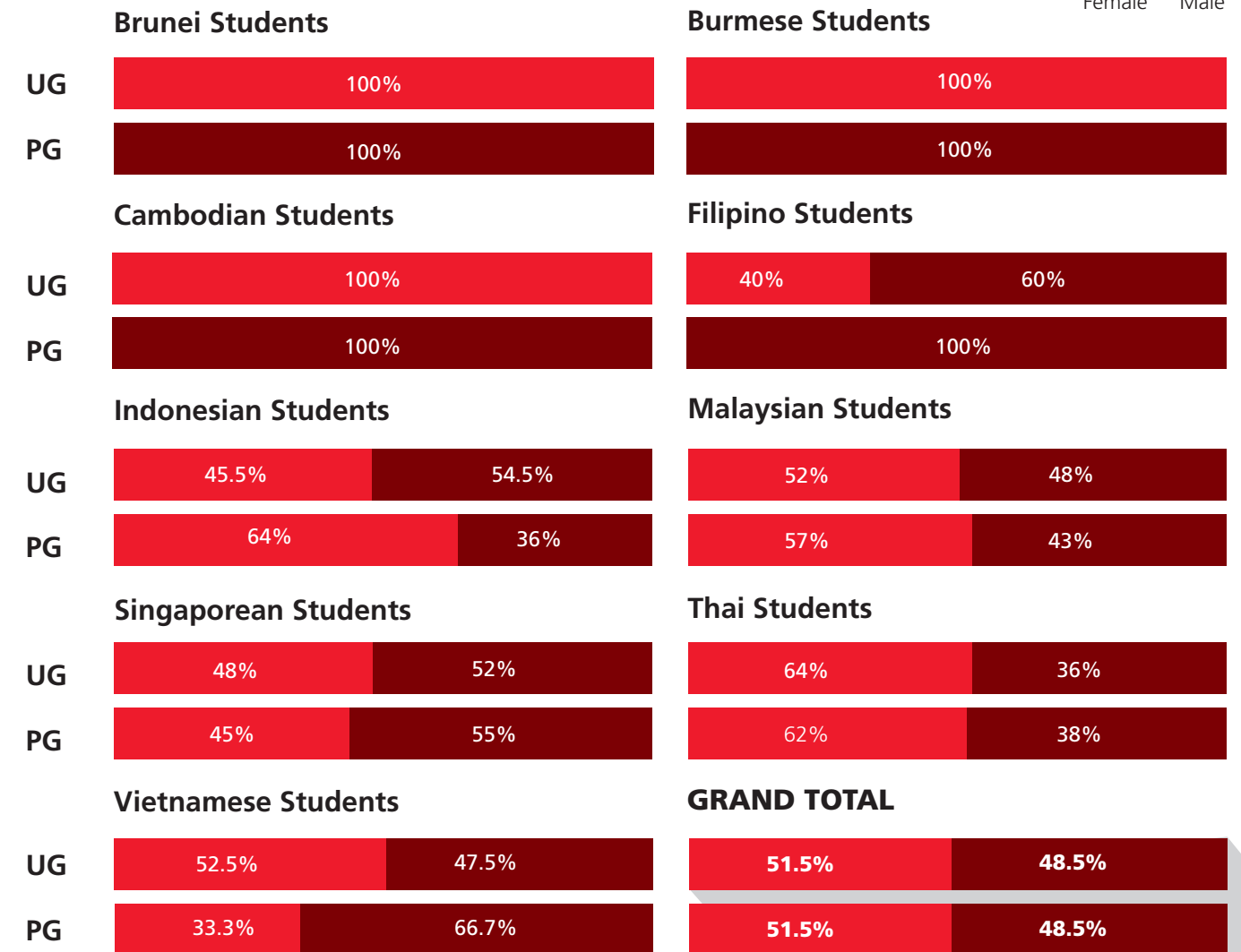
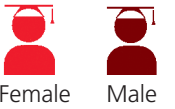
Previously Professor Berglöf was the Chief Economist and Special Adviser to the President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Prior to joining the EBRD in 2006, Professor Berglöf held the position of Director of the Stockholm Institute of Transition Economics (SITE) and Professor at the Stockholm School of Economics and a Research Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC.

He has also been Assistant Professor at the Université Libre de Bruxelles and held visiting positions at Harvard, Stanford and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Currently, Professor Berglöf is Treasurer of the International Economic Association, Member of the Governing Board of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in New York, Board Member and Research Fellow of the European Corporate Governance Institute in Brussels, and Executive Board Member of the New Economic School in Moscow.

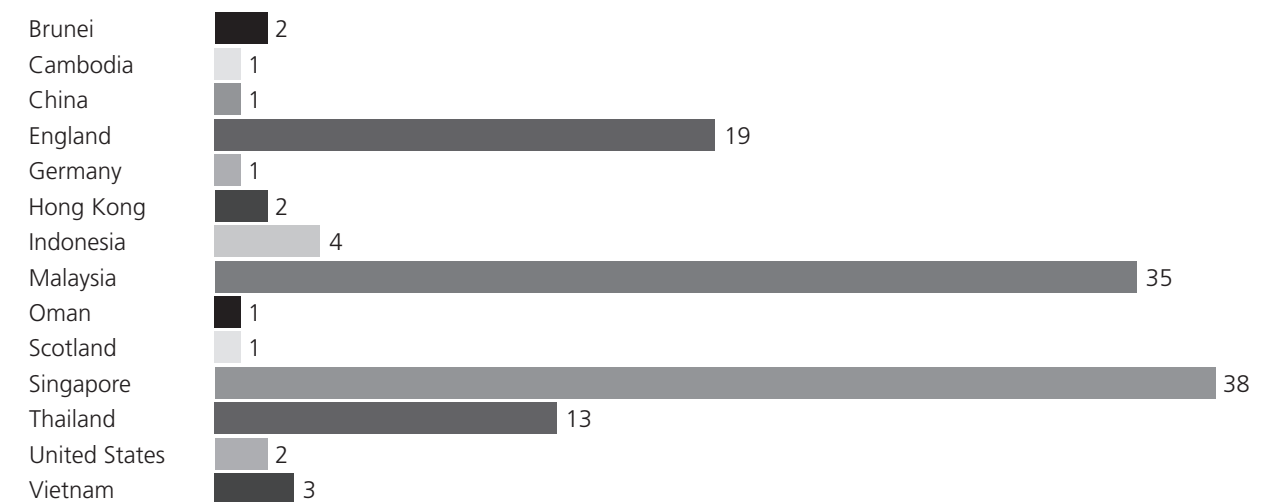
Professor Berglöf is a Research Fellow and former Programme Director at the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London. He was the founder and President of the Centre for Economic and Financial Research (CEFIR), now part of the New Economic School in Moscow.

In 2013 he was awarded the Leontief Medal for his contributions to economic reforms.

# In Numbers: our students from Southeast Asia 2015/16



## Where our students work







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