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### New Global Workforces and Virtual Workplaces: Connections, Culture, and Control

The National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, India, is organising an international conference on 'New Global Workforces and Virtual Workplaces: Connections, Culture, and Control', on 12-13August 2005. The conference, funded by the Indo-Dutch Programme on Alternatives in Development, aims to bring together scholars from different countries (especially in Asia) researching new forms of work and categories of global workers emerging in the 'new' economy, specifically in the information technology (IT) and IT Enabled Services (ITES) sectors.

The organisers invite papers that are based on original research and that fall into any of the sub-themes listed below, or which raise related issues: (1) sourcing and social structuring of the new global workforce; (2) corporate culture in the new global workplace; (3) work culture and the work process; (4) skills, deskilling and threat of obsolescence, (5) disciplinary regimes and resistance; (6) work, culture and identity; (7) mobility and social security; (8) ancillary services for the processing of 'new economy' workers; (9) class, consumption and urban social transformations; and (10) nations, borders, and cross-border flows

Those interested in attending may write to the address below for details. Tentative titles and abstracts should be submitted by 1 December 2004. Travel and accommodation for authors of accepted papers will be covered by the organisers.

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#### 1<sup>st</sup> European Conference on Korean Linguistics (ECKL)

The 1st European Conference on Korean Linguistics (ECKL) will be held in Leiden, The Netherlands, on 3-5 February 2005. Abstracts are invited for 20-minute pre-

sentations (plus 10 minutes for discussion) on any aspect of Korean linguistics. Beside the main conference, there is a workshop on 'the Altaic Hypothesis: Korean in relation to other Altaic languages'. Abstracts for this workshop are also invited (20-minute presentation plus 10 minutes discussion).

Invited speakers include S.J. Chang, Seoul National University (Syntax and semantics); M. Kenstowicz, MIT (Phonology); Y. Heo, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (Korean language teaching abroad) and B.I. Sung, Seoul National University (Workshop on the Altaic Hypothesis). Submissions are limited to one individual and one joint abstract per author. All abstracts should be in English, and submitted as e-mail attachments in PDF or MS-Word format. Please specify 'Abstract' in the subject field of the message, and include in the message the author's affiliation and area of linguistics (syntax, phonology, morphology, phonetics, language-teaching, etc.). Abstracts should a maximum of 350 words, with an optional additional page containing examples and references. The submission deadline is 10 December 2004. Notice of acceptance will be made on 5 January 2004. A limited number of grants will be available to support the participation of linguists who have no or limited access to institutional or departmental funding sources in their home country.

For more information, please visit: http://www.iias.nl or e-mail: m.rozing@let.leidenuniv.nl, eckl@let.leidenuniv.nl

#### Indonesia in the Changing **Global Context:** building cooperation and partnership?

The 4th Intertnational Symposium of the Journal Antropologi Indonesia will be held 12-15 July 2005 at the University of Indonesia, Depok. Rebuilding Indonesia as a nation of 'unity in diversity' is an ongoing question. Advances in technology, the instantaneous flow of information, enrichment of ideas, concepts, science, progress in education, health care and community development are interwoven with economic, power, and other interests within complex networks of institutions across state boundaries. This web of relations may have significant implications for the nation's efforts

to cooperate and enter partnerships with foreign counterparts.

The symposium will discuss, analyse and examine these questions on the basis of empirical evidence drawn from various facets of people's lives in Indonesia, its relation to the region and global entities. Abstracts (300 words) should be submitted to the Organizing Committee by 15 December 2004. Please also send a copy of the abstract to your panel coordinator. Please contact the Organizing Committee at symposium@jai.or.id or visit http://www.jai.or.id for more information, or download the booklet at:

http://www.jai.or.id/events/sympo/4th\_ dpk/jai.si4.info.pdf

#### Transborder Issues in the Greater Mekong Sub-region

The Faculty of Liberal Arts at Ubon Ratchathani University, Thailand in collaboration with the Rockefeller Foundation, is organizing an international conference on Transborder Issues in the Greater Mekong Sub-region, 16-20 Februrary 2005 in Ubon Ratchathani. The conference will bring together scholars researching transboundary issues in the GMS to review and share theoretical frameworks and research results, identify knowledge gaps and enrich public knowledge on transborder issues including their trends, causes and consequences.

The conference invites papers for panels dealing with nine sub-themes including: the sex trade; gender and sexuality; labour migration; health and HIV/AIDS; natural resources, environmental management and challenges; regional market economy; regional relations and cooperation; tourism development and its consequences; human rights issues regarding ethnic groups and trafficking in women and children; and cultural studies (Diaspora, ethnicity, media and identity).

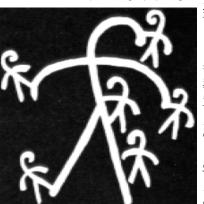
The deadline for abstracts (300 words) is 15 December 2004. Full papers should be submitted on 15 January 2005. Abstracts and full papers should be sent by email to Surasom Krisnachuta, Mekong Subregion Social Research Center (MSSRC), Faculty of Liberal Arts, Ubon Ratchathani University: mssrc@la.ubu.ac.th and mssrc\_ubu@yahoo.com.

All accepted papers will appear in the conference proceedings in CD format together with a printed collection of all abstracts. More information can be found at: http://www.ubu.ac.th/~mssrc/html/index.

#### Self and Subject: African and Asian Perspectives

The Ferguson Centre for African and Asian Studies at The Open University, U.K is organizing a conference on the Study of African and Asian Cultures in the 21st Century on 20-23 September 2005 in Edinburgh, Scotland. The conference seeks to foreground recent reflections on the status of the individual subject through a questioning of different disciplinary approaches. It asks how the recognition that individual lives are formed in increasingly complex 'multi-cultural' and 'transnational' contexts demands new methodologies for re-thinking the subject within and across disciplinary boundaries.

Papers are invited from literary theorists, historians, anthropologists, philosophers, art historians and other specialists of Africa and Asia who have an interest in such domains as life histories, post-colonial literature, autobiography, visual representation, material culture, aesthetics, the media, ethnicity, ethnography, migra-



tion and diaspora studies, and the politics of identity. The conference will be divided into eight panels, each of which is organised around a particular theme. Contributors are asked to include explicit reflection concerning their methodological assumptions and innovations, and to indicate to which panel they wish to contribute.

Abstracts (max. 300 words) should be sent by 31 December 2004 by email to: arts-ferguson-centre-enquiries@open.ac. uk. The conference will be in English. For a full list of panel themes please visit the website: http://www.open.ac.uk/Arts/ ferguson-centre/Events/EdinburghCall4 Ps.pdf

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### Assistant Professor of

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The Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures seeks applicants for an assistant professor in medieval Chinese literature (Six Dynasties to Yuan). This tenure-track position begins September 16, 2005. Duties include teaching large undergraduate survey courses in early and medieval Chinese literature, classical and modern Chinese, graduate seminars, as well as advising and mentoring graduate students. Required are a Ph.D. in an appropriate discipline, native or near-native fluency in Mandarin and English, a strong commitment to excellence in scholarship, and dedication to undergraduate and graduate teaching. To apply, please send a statement of research and teaching interests, a CV, and three letters of recommendation to: Chinese Search Committee, Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures, 1248 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1248. Applications will be reviewed from December 15, 2004 until the position is filled. AA/EO/ADA Employer committed to cultural diversity.

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### Words in Asian Cultural Contexts

The theme of ASIALEX 2005, 1-3 June 2005 in Singapore, is Words in Asian Cultural Contexts. The conference will examine the functions and representations of words, and will bring together scholars of language, linguistics and literature in an interdisciplinary forum. We encourage papers focusing on a wider understanding of the word, including Asian contexts in which cultural and textual hybridity is the norm. The following strands will be covered: lexicology and lexicography; sociolinguistics and language pedagogy; information and communications technology; and literary, cultural and postcolonial studies.

We invite presentations in the form of papers, posters or symposiums. The time allotted for each paper presentation is 30 minutes. A poster session will also be held at the conference. The symposium will be 100 minutes (e.g. 4-5 short papers plus discussion). We invite abstracts (max. 250 words) for papers, posters and symposiums. All presentations should be given in English. We invite you to submit your abstract on-line as soon as possible and no later than 31 December 2004. Selected papers and abstracts will be published in the conference proceedings. Please see our website:

http://asialex.nus.edu.sg/call4ppo1.htm

# Southeast Asian tradition-based contemporary performance

Southeast Asian performing art traditions have long offered non-traditional artists and art promoters fodder for quotation, appropriation, abduction, and repackaging. The last decades have seen the emergence of new relations between Southeast Asian traditional and contemporary performing arts, to be discussed in this panel under the rubric of Southeast Asian tradition-based contemporary performance.

Suggested areas to be considered by presenters include: questions of ownership arising when contemporary practitioners (foreign or local) repackage tradition for contemporary audiences; contrasts and similarities between European and Southeast Asian modernist appropriations of Southeast Asian tradition with contemporary tradition-based work; standards for judging and criticising tradition-based contemporary performance; differences between tradition-based new music, theatre and dance created in Diaspora contexts and in the homelands; the politics, economics and legal issues in the production of tradition-based contemporary performance; traditional and non-traditional aesthetics and criticism of traditionbased contemporary performance; tradition-based contemporary performance in television and film; tradition-based contemporary performance and artistic exchange in national, ASEAN and global contexts; forms of ambivalence, resistance and antipathy to tradition-based artistic work; the reception of tradition-based contemporary work by Southeast Asian audiences outside cosmopolitan, urbane scenes. Presentations can take the form of academic papers, lecture-demonstrations, videos, or possibly performances.

The panel is being organised as part of the ASEASUK conference, *Turbulence and Continuity in South East Asia*, University of

Exeter, UK, 29 April – 1 May 2005. All abstracts to be sent prior to 1 January 2005 to Matthew Isaac Cohen:

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or Laura Noszlopy:
noszlopy@hotmail.com.
For further information:
ASEASUK homepage
http://web.soas.ac.uk/aseasuk/

### The education of Southeast Asian Islamic leadership

A conference on the education of Southeast Asian Islamic leadership will take place on 19-20 May 2005 in Singapore. The aim is to study the education of Islamic leaders in Southeast Asia, who play an ever-growing role in the administration of their societies. The conference is organized by the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), Singapore and the International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS).

Participants are requested to submit papers on one or more of the following questions: (1) Which centres of Islamic learning (Middle East, South East Asia, Europe, North America) have Islamic leaders of Southeast Asia chosen for their training, and what motivated their choices? What did these Islamic leaders study? (2) What were their socio-economic and political profiles? Is there a relation between these profiles and their choice of educational institution, study and eventual career? (3) How did the career of these Islamic leaders take shape following their studies? By what means did they impact on their religion, and on the public sphere? What is the relationship between their studies and how they operate in the public sphere?

Papers on individuals and institutional developments are welcome. The conference will consist of four sessions: (1) educational institutions in the Middle East; (2) educational institutions in Southeast Asia; (3) educational institutions in Europe and North America; (4) comparative analysis. David Koh (ISEAS) and Nico J.G. Kaptein (IIAS) are the conveners. Those interested in participating are requested to submit a working title and a short abstract no later than 15 January 2005 to Josine Stremmelaar, IIAS: J.Stremmelaar@let.leidenuniv.nl

## International Association for Chinese Linguistics (IACL13)

The thirteenth IACL annual conference on Chinese linguistics will be held on 9-11 June 2005 at Leiden University, the Netherlands. Only members of the Association are eligible to participate. Membership is open to all scholars and students with an interest consistent with the objectives of the Association.

Abstracts of papers on any topic in Chinese linguistics are welcome. Abstracts should be one page only, written in Chinese, English or Dutch. The presentations are allotted 25 minutes, excluding 5 minutes for discussion. The deadline for submissions is 15 January 2005. Notification of acceptance/rejection will be made on 1 March 2005 (by e-mail only). Submission by e-mail is not possible. Send three anonymous copies and one with full name, affiliation, full postal address and e-mail to the address below. The registration fee is Euro 55. Preregistration is not required. Registration will follow auto-

matically after your abstract has been accepted. For those who intend to come without presenting a paper, it will be appreciated if you inform the organizing committee in advance.

For further information, please visit: http://www.iias.nl/IACL13/Lisa Cheng/Rint Sybesma Leiden University,
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#### People and the Sea III: New Directions in Coastal and Maritime Studies

The Centre for Maritime Research (MARE), University of Amsterdam announces its third biannual conference, *People and the Sea III: New Directions in Coastal and Maritime Studies.* The conference will take place on 7-9 July 2005 in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The four major themes of the conference are: Fisheries; Integrated coastal zone development; Maritime work worlds and; Maritime risks and vulnerability.

There will be a special sub-theme on small-scale fisheries. Daniel Pauly of the University of British Columbia will be the keynote speaker, with a presentation on the interface between the natural and social sciences in fisheries management. Day two will feature the third lecture in MARE's Tropical Maritime Lecture Series by Professor Antonio Diegues of the University of São Paulo. Day three will be closed with a panel debate on key issues relating to work in maritime areas. Panels will be 1.5 hours each and should contain three paper presentations. All panel proposals and paper and poster abstracts must be submitted electronically along with the conference pre-registration form available on the conference website: www.marecentre.nl. The deadline for panel and abstract submission is 15 January 2005. Queries may be directed to Iris Monnereau: i.monnereau@marecentre.nl

#### Water in Mainland Southeast Asia

Rivers, lakes, and coastal zones are of great importance to all aspects of life in mainland Southeast Asia. A cross-disciplinary workshop on the many aspects of water, organized by the Centre for Khmer

Studies (CKS), Siem Reap, Cambodia, and the International Institute for Asian Studies is planned to take place in Siem Reap, Cambodia, in November 2005. The workshop will focus on three sub-themes on the role of water in people's livelihoods: (1) trade and commerce – local and foreign trade, transport, port cities; (2) natural resource use and management – rice cultivation, fisheries, water quality, environmental changes; and (3) socio-cultural life – rites of passages, traditional medicine, religion.

The organizing committee invites scholars from various disciplinary backgrounds (history, economics, political science, anthropology, environmental sciences) to submit abstracts for the workshop. Papers transcending national boundaries are strongly encouraged. The proceedings of the workshop will be published. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is 1 January 2005. Abstracts should not exceed 250 words and a CV should be included.

Please send your abstract or queries to Wil Dijk, IIAS affiliated fellow: w.o.dijk@let.leidenuniv.nl

### CHIME: exploring China's musical past

Two themes will feature in the 10th international CHIME meeting, which will be held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands on 6-9 October 2005, in conjunction with a major festival of Chinese music: 1) Exploring China's musical past (the reconstruction and reinvention of recent and older genres of music in China); 2) Audiovisual materials of recent fieldwork on (any kind of) music in China or among Chinesespeaking communities. The meeting will be held at the KIT Theatre (the Royal Tropical Institute), and is organized in cooperation with the Music Department of the University of Amsterdam and the International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS). We welcome papers focusing -on concrete examples -within the wider (contextual and musical) implications of the main theme. For the theme on recent fieldwork, we welcome scholarly presentations of audiovisual materials in any genre or area of Chinese music. Abstracts of up to 300 words for individual (20minute) papers are welcome and should be sent by fax or e-mail to the Programme Committee at chime@wxs.nl, fax: +31-71-5123183.



Folk musicians in Southern Jiangsu, China

Courtesy of CHIME website (http://home.wxs.nl/~chime)

Panel proposals (for three or four speakers) are also welcome, in which case we ask for a short description of the panel topic as well as individual abstracts by panel participants. Abstracts must arrive by 15 April 2005. Possibilities exist for early acceptance for those who need to rely on this for grant applications. News on the meeting, possibilities for pre-registration and booking accommodation are available on the CHIME website:

http://home.wxs.nl/~chime

#### **Erratum**

The editors regret that the captions did not match the illustrations in the article Tibetan Treasures in Leiden: Progress Report on the Metamorfoze Project by Kalsang Norbu Gurung and Tharphen Lingtsang on page 25 of IIAS Newsletter #34:



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