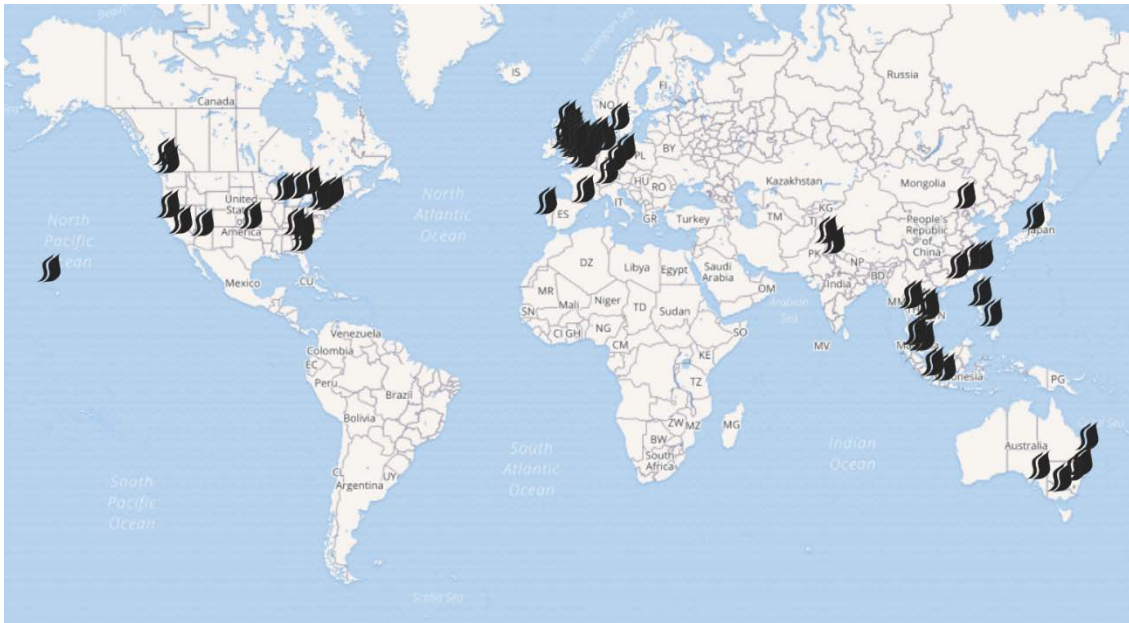




LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre



LSE-Southeast Asia Early Career Researcher Network News

Welcome to the February edition of the ECR Newsletter. We very much hope you will enjoy reading about the activities of your fellow ECR Network members.

If your information has changed in the past year, for example a new job, a completed PhD, a new research focus, please let us know by emailing seac.admin@lse.ac.uk. Please do also get in touch at the same email address with your news and updates so that they can be included in the next ECR Newsletter.

ECR Network New Members, News and Updates



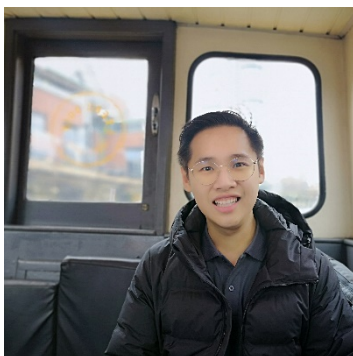
Welcome to new ECR Network Member Ava Lynam

Ava is a PhD candidate and researcher employed at the Centre for Cultural Studies on Science and Technology in China (CCST - China Centre) at Technische Universität Berlin. She coordinates a research team focusing on mobility, migration and social inclusion as part of the Urban Rural Assembly (BMBF) project, combining ethnographic and architectural methods to understand the local socio-spatial impact of Chinese regional rural-urban transformation. For her doctorate, she is expanding this study to other cases in Southeast Asia's Greater Mekong Subregion (e.g. Laos, Thailand, Cambodia) which form part of Chinese regional development as part of the Belt and Road Initiative.



Congratulations to Dr Chao Yo Cheng on his new role at Birkbeck, University of London

Dr. Chao Yo Cheng joins Birkbeck, University of London, to take up a position as a permanent Lecturer in Quantitative Social Research.



Congratulations to Dr Thanapat Chatinakrob on his new position at Thammasat University

Dr Thanapat Chatinakrob has been appointed as a lecturer in the Faculty of Law, Thammasat University. He will also present his working research entitled 'Rethinking the scope of international law regulating information operations: lessons learned from a crime of online genocide in Myanmar' at the [11th Annual Conference of the Cambridge International Law Journal](#), University of Cambridge on 26-27 March 2022.



Congratulations to Mohamad Ika Danial Abdullah on his new position

Mohamad has taken on a new role as Assistant Director for the Centre for Political Studies and Economic Diplomacy, Institute of Diplomacy and Foreign Relations (IDFR), Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia. In this position he will plan and conduct research in the field of political studies and economy, as well as produce publications including analytical and research papers on the two areas mentioned.

He has also recently had an article on women in Malaysian politics published in New Straits Times Malaysia which can be read [here](#).



Congratulations to Dr. Lim Seng Boon on his new position

Congratulations to Dr. Lim Seng Boon who is now a Senior Lecturer in the Program of Urban and Regional Planning at the Department of Built Environment Studies and Technology Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying Universiti Teknologi MARA Perak Branch.

He also has two recently published co-authored articles:

Lim, S. B., & Yigitcanlar, T. (2022). Participatory governance of smart cities: Insights from e-participation of Putrajaya and Petaling Jaya, Malaysia. *Smart Cities*, 5(1), 71-89.

<https://doi.org/10.3390/smartcities5010005>

Lim, S. B., Mazhar, M. U., Malek, J. A., & Yigitcanlar, T. (2021). The right or wrong to the city? Understanding citizen participation in the pre- and post-COVID-19 eras in Malaysia. *Journal of Open Innovation Technology Market and Complexity*, 7(4), 238.

<https://doi.org/10.3390/joitmc7040238>



Congratulations to Dr. Ronan Lee on his new position

Congratulations to Dr. Lee who has been awarded a Doctoral Prize Fellowship at Loughborough University London where he will be researching the meaning of social vitality for Myanmar's Rohingya refugees.

He has also recently published an article in The Conversation about the anniversary of the Myanmar coup: [Myanmar: while the world sits on its hands, people fight military junta with violence and silence](#); and a journal article (open access):

Lee, Ronan. "[Myanmar's Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army \(ARSA\): An Analysis of a New Muslim Militant Group and Its Strategic Communications](#)." Perspectives on Terrorism, vol. 15, no. 6, Terrorism Research Initiative, 2021, pp. 61–75.



Congratulations to Dr. Mikko Toivanen on his new position

Congratulations to Dr. Toivanen who has started a new job as an assistant professor in the University of Warsaw's Global History research team, where he will be continuing his research project 'Staging a Colonial Capital: The Construction of Public Space in Singapore and Batavia through Spectacle and Ceremony, 1840-1880'

He also published the article (in Dutch) '**Kinderen van het imperium: Corry en Hugo Loudon op reis naar Indië, 1871-2**' ('Children of Empire: the Journey of Corry and Hugo Loudon to the Dutch East Indies, 1871-2') in the latest issue (36:4) of *Indische Letteren*.

New Publications and Media



Dr Rachel Tough published a new journal article

Dr Rachel Tough has recently published an article in *City and Society*.

Tough, R. (2021). Ho Chi Minh City during the fourth wave of COVID-19 in Vietnam. *City & Society*, 33(2)

DOI: [10.1111/ ciso12413](https://doi.org/10.1111/ciso.12413)

Dr Niki Cheong has recently published a book chapter entitled [Internet-led political journalism: Challenging hybrid-regime resilience in Malaysia](#) In *Routledge Companion to Political Journalism* (Editors: James Morrison, Jen Birks and Mike Berry).

He has also published a co-authored journal article:

Amelia Johns & Niki Cheong (2021) The affective pressures of WhatsApp: from safe spaces to conspiratorial publics, *Continuum*, 35:5, 732-746, DOI: 10.1080/10304312.2021.1983256



Ibnu Habibie's latest article has been published in the *Journal of Mental Health*. The paper calculated the direct and indirect costs of providing outpatient and inpatient treatments for psychotic disorders patients in West Java, Indonesia, from both healthcare systems and societal perspectives.

Adiatma Yudistira Manogar Siregar, Ibnu Habibie, Rykaard Baressi Sihotang, Rika Permatasari Allo, Rangga Kusumawardana, Deni Kurniadi Sunjaya & Sutyastie Soemitro Remi (2022) Costs of providing hospital-based psychotic disorder treatment in Indonesia, *Journal of Mental Health*,

DOI: [10.1080/09638237.2021.2022609](https://doi.org/10.1080/09638237.2021.2022609)

Dr Seb Rumsby published a short article in the *Conversation* about economic migrants and global inequalities, which draws from his research on undocumented Vietnamese migration to the UK. Read the article [here](#).





Dr Minwoo Jung recently published two articles:

Jung, Minwoo. 2021. "[Imagining Sovereign Futures: The Marriage Equality Movement in Taiwan.](#)" *Social Movement Studies* (online first)

Jung, Minwoo. 2021. "[Embracing the Nation: Strategic Deployment of Sexuality, Nation, and Citizenship in Singapore.](#)" *British Journal of Sociology* 72.5: 1229-1245.

Dr Geetha Reddy has five recent articles and commentaries that have now been published:

Reddy, G. (2021). Knowledge with and from the Global South: lessons from psychology. Retrieved from <https://www.raceandhealth.org/quarterly/2021-11-21/knowledge-with-and-from-the-global-south-lessons-from-psychology>

Reddy, G., Adams, G., Ratele, K., Suffla, S. (2021). [Decolonising Psychology: Moving from developing an inclusive social psychology to centring epistemic justice.](#) *Social Psychology Quarterly*, 23(2), 10-12.

Suffla, S., **Reddy, G.,** Ratele, K., Adams, G., & Stevens, G. (2021). [General Psychology Otherwise: A Decolonial Articulation.](#) *Review of General Psychology*, 25(4), 339-353.

Gómez-Ordóñez, L., Adams, G., Ratele, K., Suffla, S., **Reddy, G.** (2021). [Decolonising psychological science: An itinerary of encounters and cartographies of resistance.](#) *The Psychologist*.

Malherbe, N., Ratele, K, Adams, G., **Reddy, G.** & Suffla, S. (2021). [A Decolonial Africa\(n\)-Centered Psychology of Antiracism.](#) *Review of General Psychology*. 25(4) 437-450.



Al Lim has two recent co-authored publications:

"What is infrastructure? What does it do?": Anthropological perspectives on the workings of infrastructure(s)" in *Environmental Research: Infrastructure and Sustainability*
<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/2634-4505/ac4429>

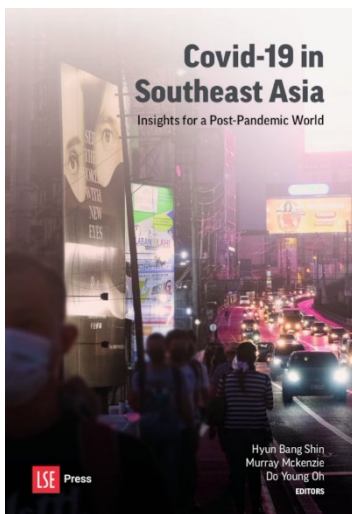
"Reframing conservation and development perspectives on bushmeat" in *Environmental Research Letters*
<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1748-9326/ac3db1>

Dr Neha Khetrapal published a paper in the *Canadian Geographer* that focuses on the potential for developing astrotourism in India and Sumatra.

Read the article [here](#).



Events and Opportunities

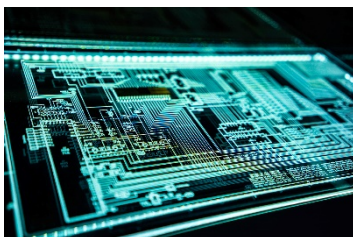


SEAC invites you to join us for the book launch of COVID-19 in Southeast Asia: insights for a post-pandemic world

Wednesday 23 February, 12:00pm to 1:30pm

[COVID-19 in Southeast Asia: Insights for a Post-Pandemic World](#)

SEAC hosts this book launch with discussion from some of the contributing authors to the edited volume on insights for a post-pandemic world.



Forthcoming SEAC event on Fintech

SEAC will host a talk by Dr. Karen Lai (Durham University) on FinTech in Southeast Asia: Observations across consumption and production dynamics.

Thursday 3 March, 12.00pm - 1.15pm

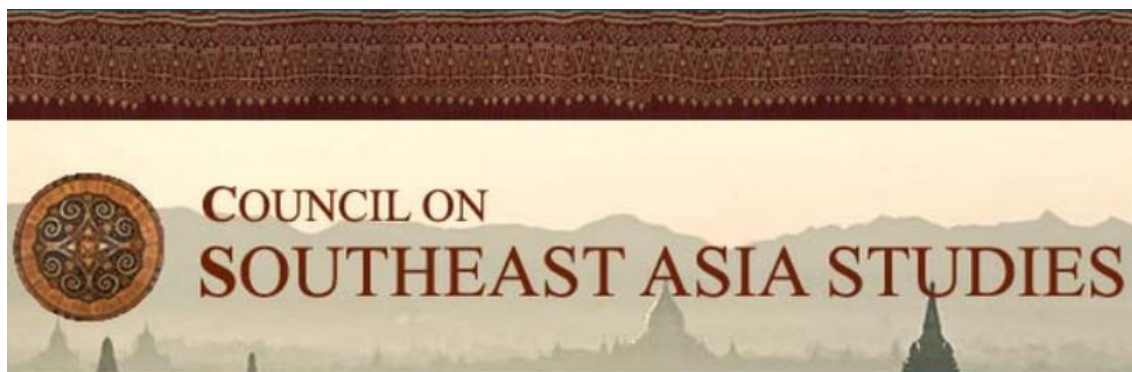
Critical Voices from Myanmar: Contexts and Concerns after the 2021 coup d'état



CDRI Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program now open

The Cambodia Development Resource Institute is now receiving expressions of interest for their postdoctoral fellowship program. International post-doctoral fellows will bring knowledge of the latest theoretical and methodological innovations internationally, and work with CDRI's research teams to apply these to the specific development context of Cambodia and the ASEAN region

The deadline for applications is 20th February 2022. More information on the fellowship and how to apply can be found [here](#).



CSEAS Postdoctoral Opportunity open to applications

The Council on Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS) at Yale University seeks applications for the position of Postdoctoral Associate in Southeast Asian Studies with a focus on Myanmar, 2022-2023

Application Deadline: February 25, 2022

You can apply to this position [here](#).



Forthcoming NUS ARI Workshop

The Asia Research Institute at National University of Singapore will host a workshop on Infrastructures and (Im)mobile Lives: Interruptions, Failures, and Repairs.

Speakers will include Prof. Xiang Biao (Director of Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology) and Prof. Brenda Yeoh (NUS) among others. More information and registration details can be found [here](#).



Panels for EuroSEAS are now available to apply to

The EuroSEAS Conference now has a full list of panels and roundtables open to apply to [here](#).

If you want to participate in a panel, please send your paper abstract directly to the panel conveners and not to the EuroSEAS secretariat. Please submit your proposal before **15 March 2022**. EuroSEAS will not accept paper proposals that are not part of a panel.

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 [SEAC Publications and Media page](#).



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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.

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