



CENTERING ASIA: REFIGURING CONNECTIONS RECHARTING FUTURES

PROGRAM BOOK

LAHORE, PAKISTAN
25-27 SEPTEMBER 2026



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WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2026

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Feminism Workshop — LLI Room 2
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm JSAMES Development Writing Workshop — VC Faculty Lounge
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Migration Workshop — LLI Room
 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Migration Collective Exhibition Launch

THURSDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2026

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Feminism Workshop — LLI Room 2
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm JSAMES Development Writing Workshop — VC Faculty Lounge
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Migration Workshop — LLI Room

Association for Asian Studies **LUMS** **Sida** **AAS-in-Asia 2026**

Migration, Trade and Security in the Asia-Pacific and the Global South

23rd –24th September 2026
Pre-Conference Workshop | AAS-in-Asia 2026

- Early-career faculty and currently enrolled MPhil/PhD scholars
- Applicants from Humanities & Social Sciences disciplines (including Anthropology, Economics, Law, Literature, and Sociology)
- Academic or professional experience aligns with the workshop themes
- Women and underrepresented communities are strongly encouraged to apply

Residential Workshop: 3 Nights' Accommodation & Transport Provided

Workshop Details and Application: <http://bit.ly/4fa8cKY>

Lahore University of Management Sciences | Pakistan

Application deadline: 5th August 2026

Universitas Externado de Colombia **UNIVERSITAS INDONESIA**

THE MIGRATION COLLECTIVE **Sida**

MOBILE LIVES

An Exhibition by
THE MIGRATION COLLECTIVE

An immersive research exhibition exploring migration through routes, seasons, language, and lived experience

September 23rd to 27th, 2026

LUMS, Academic Block, First Floor

CHSS **AAS-in-Asia 2026 LAHORE**

PEOPLE MOVE WORLDS

CHSS **AAS-in-Asia 2026 LAHORE** **Sida**

DISJOINTED FEMINIST FUTURES

Reframing Turbulence, Mobility, and Intimacy across South and Southeast Asia

23–24 September 2026
Lahore, Pakistan

Immediately preceding the
AAS-in-Asia Conference 2026

A two-day collaborative workshop for scholars working across feminist, gender, and sexuality studies in South Asia, Southeast Asia, and comparative or transregional contexts. The workshop invites participants to explore fragmentation, uncertainty, and disjointedness as productive feminist ways of understanding contemporary social life.

Early-career & Underrepresented Scholars are encouraged to apply!

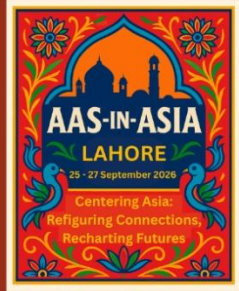
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KEY THEMES

- Mobility and labour migration
- Intimacy and family
- Political unrest and governance
- Economic precarity and environmental crisis
- Feminist knowledge production
- Care, resistance, and social dislocation

WORKSHOP FORMAT

- Discussion
- Mentorship
- Peer feedback
- Guided writing



AAS-in-Asia 2026 Lahore

CULTURAL VILLAGE

Date: Sept 26th and 27th, 2026

Venue: REDC Lawns

Time: 12pm onwards

SEE YOU THERE!



DAY 1

FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2026

7:30 am - 5:00 pm Registration

10:00 am - 10:30 am Tea-break

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

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PANEL

A-10 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Aesthetics Of the Unseen: The Quest For Authenticity And Creativity In The Anthropocene

Chair

Basharat Issa

Organizer

Noman Baig, *Habib University*

Presentations

1. **Calligraphic Cosmopolitanism: The Transnational Flow and The Aesthetic Public**
Noman Baig, *Habib University*
2. **The Power of The Word: Contemporary Transformations in The Calligraphic Garment**
Marcia Hermansen, *Loyola University/Habib University*
3. **Fraternal Visuals: Illuminating Shared Values Through Arabic Script in The Abrahamic Faiths of The Middle East**
Antoine Abi Aad, *Zayed University*
4. **Practicing Tradition in The Age Of Artificial Intelligence**
Taimoor Mumtaz, *Kamil Khan Mumtaz Architects*

Discussant

Nur Sobers-Khan, *University of Exeter*

267 South Asia

PANEL

A-2 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Art Across Borders: Traditional Practices, Colonial Pedagogies, And Postcolonial Aesthetics in South Asia's Visual Cultures

Chair

Rabiya Asim, *Cultural Studies Department, National College of Arts, Lahore-Pakistan*

Organizer

Nadeem Alam, *College of Art and Design, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan*

Presentations

1. **Traditional And Local Art Practices in South Asian Visual Culture: From Cave Walls to Manuscripts**
Uzma Fakhar, *Research Center, College of Art and Design, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan*
2. **Colonial Art, Art Institutions, And Cross-Cultural Aesthetics: Reframing the Artistic Landscape Of 19Th-Century British India**
Nadeem Alam, *College of Art and Design, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan*
3. **Reclaiming The Narrative: Rethinking the Art-Craft Dichotomy Across South Asian Cultural Contexts**
Rabiya Asim, *Cultural Studies Department, National College of Arts, Lahore-Pakistan*
4. **Post-Colonial Aesthetics and Contemporary Trends In Art: From Identity Discourse To Trans-Cultural Dialogues**
Farah Khan, *Visual Arts Department, Lahore College for Women University Lahore-Pakistan*
5. **Cultural Resonance: Traditional South Asian Painting and Modern Art Dialogue**
Anila Zulfiqar, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*

Discussant

Uzma Fakhar, *Research Center, College of Art and Design, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-07

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Beyond Digitization: Urdu Literature, Gender, Algorithmic Power, And Epistemological Resistance

Chair

Almas Khanum

Organizer

Faiza Bashir, *Higher Education Department Lahore Punjab Pakistan*

Presentations

1. "AI, Digitization, And The Future Of Urdu Literary Archives: Opportunities And Erasures"
Dr. Faiza Bashir, *Higher Education Department Lahore Punjab Pakistan*
2. **Literary Publics In The Digital Age: Urdu Literature's Circulation And Transformation Online"**
Dr Almas Khanum, *Government College University Lahore, Pakistan*
3. **Algorithmic Marginalization: Gender And Language In Digital Literary Spaces"**
Dr. Javed Iqbal Javed, *The Imperial College of Business Studies, Lahore, Pakistan*

PANEL

A-3

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Borderland Histories, Precarious Lives, And Vernacular Political Thought In North-Western Pakistan

Chair

Nazmeen Rani, *Government Degree College Hatoon Ghizer, Gilgit Baltistan*

Organizer

Abid Ali, *Government Postgraduate College Swabi*

Presentations

1. **Islamic Socialism, Caste, And Labor: Abdur Rahim Popalzai And Anti-Colonial Thought In The NWFP**
Abid Ali, *Government Postgraduate College Swabi*
2. **Voices Of Privilege And Marginality: A Study Of Political Relations In The Hunza State**
Nazmeen Rani, *Government Degree College Hatoon Ghizer, Gilgit Baltistan*
3. **From Open Pass To Fenced Frontier: A Thematic Oral History Of Landikotal (1947-2025)**
Sabeel Khan, *Higher Education Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa*
4. **Silenced Stories Of Precariousness, Experiences Of The Precarious Population From Former FATA In The City Of Abbottabad.**
Zia Ullah, *Elementary and Secondary Education, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa*

Discussant

Abid Ali, *Government Postgraduate College Swabi*

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-01

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Women, State And The Law: Spectrum Of Gendered Discrimination And Violence

Chair

Maria Amir

Organizers

Angbeen Atif Mirza, SAHSOL

Marva Khan, SAHSOL

Presentations

1. Postcolonial Examination Of Rape Jurisprudence In Pakistan
Marva Khan, SAHSOL, LUMS
2. Contesting Conjugal Immunity: Consent, Marriage And The Marital Rape Exception In South Asia
Sahar Bandial, SAHSOL, LUMS
3. Women's Experience With The Criminal Justice System: A Story Of Marginalization
Angbeen Atif Mirza, SAHSOL, LUMS
4. Circularity Of Violence And Institutionalisation: Understanding Women's (Im)Mobility Across Borders
Dr. Rimple Mehta, School of Social Sciences, Western Sydney University
5. Beyond Securitization: Epistemic Injustice And The Trafficking Of Rohingya Women
Dr. Marufa Akter, Department of Global Studies and Governance Independent University, Bangladesh

PANEL

Sayeed Saigol Auditorium

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Chinese Digital Infrastructural Expansion: Surveillance, Urbanism, And Transnationalism Within China And Beyond

Chair

Xiaoling Chen, National University of Singapore

Organizers

Xiaoling Chen, National University of Singapore

June Wang, City University of Hong Kong

Presentations

1. Polycentric Infrastructures: Host-State Agency And Contestation In China's Transnational Digital Expansion
Emilie Tran, Hong Kong Metropolitan University
2. Trading Up Via Digital Technology: Insights From Yiwu, China
Shuyue Zhang, N/A
3. Stitching Standards: AI, Labour, And The Geopolitics Of African Aesthetics
June Wang, City University of Hong Kong
4. What's At Stake In Downloading The BRI? How Chinese E-Commerce Drives Logistics-Led Urbanisation In Europe's 'Left-Behind' Regions
Wojciech Kębłowski, Hong Kong University
5. "Two Days Since COVID Test, Green Code, Pass": Infrastructural Attunements To Urban, Biometric, And Digital Citizenship
Xiaoling Chen, National University of Singapore

Discussant

Abel Polese, Dublin City University

PANEL

A-7

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Cinemas Of India: Border Crossing, Transnational And Intermedial Exchanges

Chair

Mathew Francis A

Organizer

Yamini Krishna Chintamani, FLAME University

Presentations

1. In Search Of Maulikta: Differentiating Nepali Cinema From Bollywood
Dikshya Karki, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou
2. Worlding Telugu Cinema: Transnational Exchanges Of A 'Regional' Film Industry
Yamini Krishna Chintamani, FLAME University, Pune, India
3. Translating Film Theory Within The Urdu Public Sphere In India (1930-50): An Interpretive, Performative And Literary Approach
Sarah Niazi, King's College, London
4. Celluloid Bridges: Film, Memory, And Punjabiyyat In Punjabi Cinema
Sukhpreet Kahlon, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

PANEL

SDSB 205

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Colonial Control And Modern Reforms: A Comparative Analysis Of Prison Systems In British India And Republican China

Chair

Jalal Bohier, Sun Yat-sen University, China

Organizers

Ma Zheng, Sun Yat-sen University, China

Jalal Bohier, Sun Yat Sen University, China

Presentations

1. Colonial Control And Modern Reforms: A Comparative Analysis Of Prison Systems In British India And Republican China
Jalal Bohier, Sun Yat Sen University, China
2. Colonial Control And Modern Reforms: A Comparative Analysis Of Prison Systems In British India And Republican China
Ma Zheng, Sun Yat Sen University, China
3. Colonial Control And Modern Reforms: A Comparative Analysis Of Prison Systems In British India And Republican China
Syed Taqi Karamat, sdtaqi15@gmail.com

PANEL

SDSB 104 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Crisis Or Transformation? Populism, Democracy, And Polarization In South Asia**Chair**

Prof. Najimdeen Bakare, *Department of International and Strategic Studies, Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.*

Organizer

Maryam Azam, *Lahore College for Women University, Lahore, Pakistan*

Presentations

- 1. Crisis, Polarization, Inclusion: Post-Uprising Governance In Bangladesh And Nepal In Comparative Perspective**
Prof. Agnieszka Kuszewska-Bohnert, *Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland*
- 2. Populist Narratives In Indian Politics A Case Study Of 2024 National Elections**
Dr. Aisha Shahzad, *Lahore College for Women University, Lahore, Pakistan*
- 3. Populism, Regime Of Truth, Balancer: The Case Of Pakistani Politics**
Prof. Najimdeen Bakare, *Department of International and Strategic Studies, Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.*
- 4. Dismantling The Hegemony In Bangladesh: Youth Agency And Democratic Reconstruction In Bangladesh**
Tania Ahmed Uma, *Netrakona Govt. College, National University, Bangladesh*
- 5. Religious Far-Right Populism In South Asia: Comparative Perspectives From Pakistan And Bangladesh (2008-2025)**
Maryam Azam, *Department of International Relations, Lahore College for Women University, Lahore, Pakistan*

Discussant

Dr. Sadia Mehmood Falki, *Lahore College for Women University, Lahore, Pakistan*

PANEL

SDSB 103 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Divorce, Kinship, And Legal Authority In South Asia**Chair**

Ghazal Asif Farrukhi, *LUMS*

Organizers

Sana Naeem, *Harvard University*

Ghazal Asif Farrukhi, *LUMS*

Presentations

- 1. Secret Hindu Fathers And The “Natural Family” In Pakistani Law**
Ghazal Asif Farrukhi, *LUMS*
- 2. Recalcitrant Wives: Refusing Reconciliation In Peshawar’s Family Courts**
Sana Naeem, *Harvard University*
- 3. Gendered In/Justice: Admissible Evidence And Legal Pluralism**
Salwa Hoque, *Emory University*
- 4. Everyday Sharia: Where Marital Disputes Meet Legal Theory**
Katherine Lemons, *McGill University*
- 5. Divorce On The Radio And The Failing Project Of The Family In Iraqi Kurdistan**
J. Andrew Bush, *Bard College, NY*

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-07 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Ecologies Of Labor: Thresholds Of Work In Chinese Cultural Production, Past And Present

Chair

Benjamin Kindler

Organizers

Yuzhe Li, *Tsinghua University*Tianyun Hua, *NYU Shanghai*

Presentations

1. Idolizing Agriculture: Labor And Performance In Variety Show Become A Farmer
Tianyun Hua, *NYU Shanghai*
2. Photovoltaic Sheep And The Dream Of Green Capital: Multispecies Labor In China's Solar Industry
Yiming Ma, *The University of California, Santa Barbara*
3. Low-Tech Futures: Manual Labor And The Ecology Of Technological Modernity In Han Song's Science Fiction
Yuzhe Li, *Tsinghua University*
4. Moral Accounting, Market Chaos, And The Ledger Of Qing In Xingshi Yinyuan Zhuan
Xinyi Fu, *University of Wisconsin-Madison*

Discussant

Benjamin Kindler, *Lingnan University*

PANEL

SDSB 303 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Ecologies Towards The Future: Infrastructures, Cosmologies, And Governance On The Tibetan Plateau

Chair

Jun Xu

Organizer

Yaotian Chen, *London School of Economics and Political Science*

Presentations

1. Hydrosocial Reconfigurations At The Eastern Margin Of The Tibetan Plateau: Religion, Water And Governance In The Anthropocene
Xuxu Chen, *University of Cambridge*
2. Cursed Wealth On The 'Bri Chu River (Upper Yangtze): Disaster Perceptions And The Order Of Labor In The Sga Yul Region
Yuhang Li, *École pratique des hautes études (EPHE)*
3. From Cosmology To Ecology: Rethinking Human-Klu Relations In Tibetan Environmental Governance
Leyou Li, *École pratique des hautes études (EPHE)*
4. Assembling Injustice: Water Infrastructure And Urban Bias In Southwestern China
Yaotian Chen, *London School of Economics and Political Science*

Discussants

Jun Xu, *Sichuan University*Fan Zhang, *Peking University*

PANEL

A-11 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Environmental Histories Of Arid South Asia: Threats And Promises In A Rapidly Changing Ecology

Chair

Brian Cannon, *University of Toronto*

Organizer

Brian Cannon, *University of Toronto*

Presentations

1. Fighting Famines In Late Colonial Desert India
Brian Cannon, *University of Toronto*
2. Below The Surface: Extending Colonial Hydrology To Groundwater In British Punjab, 1880-1947
Fazilda Nabeel, *Lahore university of Management Sciences*
3. Resource Frontiers And Relational Belonging: Dispossession As An Ongoing Historical Process In Sindh
Uroosa Jarwar, *University of Mirpurkhas*
4. Struck Between Myth And Modernity: Lightning Hazards, Climate Change And Human Vulnerability In Tharparkar
Zaheer Ali, *Institute of Business Administration, Karachi*

PANEL

A-1 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Folk Literary Worlds Of South Asia: Orality, Translation, Digitality, And Transregional Flows

Chair

Sameera Abbas, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Organizer

Sameera Abbas, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Presentations

1. Competing Claims Within Islam: Suppression Of Baul Palagan Performance In Manikganj
Sayema Khatun, *Independent Anthropologist, Wisconsin*
2. "Vagdi Ay Ravi: Women's Orality, Literary Aesthetics, And The Politics Of Translating Punjabi In Pakistan,"
Iqra Shagufta Cheema, *Graceland University*
3. The Anglophone Indus And Sindhi Folk Tradition
Bassam Sidiki, *The University of Texas at Austin*
4. From Whispered Orality To Global Screens: The Digital Worlding Of The Pashto Tapa
Sameera Abbas, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Discussant

Laura Brueck, *Northwestern University*

PANEL

A-4 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Gender Disruptions And Feminist Futurities In India And Pakistan

Chair

Ulka Anjaria, *Brandeis University*

Organizer

Ulka Anjaria, *Brandeis University*

Presentations

1. The Madwoman In The Courtyard: Dalit Women, Rage, And Possession
Laura Brueck, *Northwestern University*
2. Labors Of Love: Sex, Care, And Migration In Bangalore
Gowri Vijayakumar, *Brandeis University*
3. The Mother's Body: Monstrosity And Desire In Ismat Chughtai's Short Stories
Ulka Anjaria, *Brandeis University*
4. Disrupting The Path: Exploring The Experiences And Aspirations Of Young Women Living Outside The Bounds Of The Heteropatriarchal Family In Lahore
Nida Kirmani, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
5. Comparative Modes Of (Trans)Formation And The Post-Colonial Feminist Praxes Of Liberation
Laiba Paracha, *Northwestern University*

PANEL

SDSB 305 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Grounding Resilience In The Asian Highlands: Community Adaptations To Ecological And Economic Disruption, Displacement, And Precarity

Chair

Kathub Drolma, *drolma.gadou@colorado.edu*

Organizers

Kathub Drolma, *drolma.gadou@colorado.edu*Dan WU, *Hong Kong Polytechnic University*

Presentations

1. From Poison To Prayers: Rethinking Restoration And Sustainable Rangeland Governance On The Tibetan Plateau
Palden Tsering, *Qinghai Minzu University, China*
2. Fungus And Fairness: Transformations In Land Distribution And Labor Cooperation During Caterpillar Fungus Harvest In A Tibetan Village
Dan WU, *The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong*
3. Resilience And Reclaiming Value: Tibetan Pastoralism In The Globalized Food Regime
Kathub Drolma, *University of Colorado Boulder, USA*

Discussant

Jakelin Troy, *University of Sydney (Australia)*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-01 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Inter-Asian Connectivity And The Silk Road: Trans-Regional Networks In Historical Perspective

Chair

Syed Qamar Abbas

Organizer

Faraz Anjum, Department of History, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan

Presentations

1. Mapping The Geographic Pathways Of The Silk Road: A Spatial Analysis Of Transregional Connectivity In Historical Asia
Robia Shaheen, Department of Geography, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan
2. Sandalwood Circulation And Cultural Integration Along The Silk Road: A Material Culture Analysis
Cheng Linsheng, School of Humanities, Anshun University, Guizhou, China
3. Travel And Ethnology On The Silk Road: Comparative Study Of Marco Polo And Ibn Battuta
Faraz Anjum, Department of History, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan
4. Retracing The Past: Memory, Mobility And Migration Along The Silk Route
Hadia Rasool, Università degli Studi di Palermo (University of Palermo), Italy
5. The Ideal Of Being Asian: An Appraisal Of UNESCO Project 'Integral Study Of Silk Roads: Roads Of Dialogue'
Rafiullah Khan, Taxila Institute of Archaeology and Civilizations, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan

Discussant

Syed Qamar Abbas, Department of History, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan

PANEL

A-6 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Living Histories And Cultural Branding In Lahore's Walled City: Spatial Practices, Heritage, And Urban Identity

Chair

Naeema Arshad, Lahore School of Economics, Media Studies Art and Design Department.

Organizer

Naeema Arshad, Lahore School of Economics, Media Studies Art and Design Department.

Presentations

1. Culture And Authenticity In Urban - Lahore's Walled City Culture And Place Branding
Arshad Awan, Business Administration, Visiting Faculty, Lahore School of Economics
2. The People's Narrative
Saba Samee, Information Secretary and Project Developer, ICOMOS Pakistan - Member and Applicant Member of CIIC Cultural Routes, NESPAK - Consultant Heritage, Visiting faculty at COMSATS University Islamabad, Lahore Campus, and BNU.
3. Anjaan Rastay (Estranged Directions): Documenting Lahore's Evolving Cultural Memory
Umair Ahmed, Lahore School of Economics, Media Studies Art and Design Department.

Discussants

Saba Samee, Information Secretary and Project Developer, ICOMOS Pakistan - Member and Applicant Member of CIIC Cultural Routes, NESPAK - Consultant Heritage, Visiting faculty at COMSATS University Islamabad, Lahore Campus, and BNU.

Naeema Arshad, Lahore School of Economics

PANEL

SDSB 201 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Media, Marginality And Youth: Shifting Mediascapes And Social Change In Bangladesh

Chair

Abdul Aziz, Monash University Malaysia

Organizer

Abdul Aziz, Monash University Malaysia

Presentations

1. Pride And Prejudice: Disaster, Development And The Elite Agenda In Bangladeshi Newspapers
Umme Lima, Jagannath University, Bangladesh
2. Weaponizing Surveillance Technologies During The 'July Uprising' In Bangladesh: Assessing Legitimacy Under International Human Rights Law
Saimum Talukder, Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh
3. From Humour To Harm: Misogyny And Sexualized Insults In Youth Digital Activism In Bangladesh
Athina Ahmed, SIMEC Research Center, Dhaka, Bangladesh
4. Youth Resilience, Mediated Visibility, And Affective Politics Of Resistance During The 'July Uprising' In Bangladesh
Abdul Aziz, Monash University Malaysia

Discussant

Ratan Roy, South Asian University, India

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-07 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Negotiated Modernity In Transnational Encounters: Recentering The Histories And Politics Of Body, Technology, And Space In Chinese Cinema

Chair

Lingyi Du, Indiana University, Bloomington

Organizer

Lingyi Du, Indiana University, Bloomington

Presentations

1. 3D Revolution Under The Red Flag: Socialist Chinese Stereoscopic Cinema And Technological Modernity
Lingyi Du, Indiana University, Bloomington
2. Negotiated Modernity: Spatial Schism And The Internal Other In Jia Zhangke's Mountains May Depart (2015)
Guanyu Liu, Hong Kong University
3. Nien Sön Ling And Beyond: Tracing Asian Presence In German Silent Cinema
Yixuan Li, University of California, Santa Cruz

Discussant

Stephanie DeBoer, Indiana University, Bloomington

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-01 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Power, Gender And Dynamics Of Change In South Asian Literature

Chair

Dr Zia Ahmed

Organizer

Sanniya Batool, Riphah International University Faisalabad

Presentations

1. Branded Feminism: Postfeminist And Consumerist Narratives In Pakistani Chick-Lit
Aneela Zaheer, Numl University
2. Algorithmic Biopolitics And Viral Futures: The Digital Panopticon And Post Colonial Body In South Asian Speculative Fiction
Sanniya batool, RIUF
3. "Systemic Inequality And Institutional Control: Exploring Power Hierarchies Through Neeraj Ghaywan's Homebound"
Mehwish Khalid Khalid, Amjad, RIUF
4. Social Sorting And Affective Polarization In Karunatilaka;S The Seven Moons Of Mali Almeida
Shazia Shaheen, RIUF
5. Negotiating Patriarchy: Everyday Gender Bargains Among Tali Girls In Contemporary Rural Settings.
Ifrah Khalid, RIUF

Discussants

Fuzia Ameen, GCWUF

Shahbaz Khalid, Global Heritage Journal

PANEL

SDSB 204 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Refiguring Women's And Gender Studies In India And Pakistan

Chair

Aamer Shaheen, Government College University Faisalabad, Pakistan

Organizer

Kanika Batra, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, USA

Presentations

1. Pakistani Anglophone Queer Memoirs: Poetics, Politics And Teaching Practices
Aamer Shaheen, Government College University Faisalabad, Pakistan
2. Pakistani British Women Writing Chick Lit: A Feminist Reading Of Sofia Khan's Novel Series
Sadia Qamar, Government College University Faisalabad, Pakistan
3. Tibetan Buddhist Folklore And The Margins Of Women's And Gender Studies In India
Gurmeet Kaur, Department Cum Centre for Women's Studies and Development, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India.

Discussant

Kanika Batra, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, USA

PANEL

A-9 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Regional Dynamics Of Conflict And Cooperation: Policy Perspectives On Pakistan, India And Afghanistan Relations.

Chair

Dr. Salman Anwar, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Organizer

Dr. Salman Anwar, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Presentations

1. Unravelling The Historical Claims: Analysing The Afghanistan Claims On Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

Dr. Salman Anwar, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

2. The Prospects Of Social Change In Erstwhile FATA In The Post 9/11 Scenario

Dr. Bilal Haider, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

3. Public Opinion On Fata Merger With Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Kp) In Tribal District Khyber: A Case Study Of Tehsil Jamrud Shams Ur Rehman, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

4. Bridging The Divide: The Role Of Socio-Cultural CBMs In Pakistan-India Relations

Arshad Ali, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Discussant

Dr. Salman Anwar, Higher Education Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-06 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Return And Re/Integration To And From Japan: Agencies, Narratives, And Discourses

Chair

Ma. Reinaruth Carlos, Ryukoku University

Organizer

JOCELYN Celero, University of the Philippines Diliman

Presentations

1. "For Good Or For Now?": Return Migration, Reintegration, And Family Aspirations Of Japanese Men And Their Families "Returning" To Japan

JOCELYN Celero, University of the Philippines Diliman

2. Beyond Settlement: Reconsidering Return Migration And Transnational Career Restructuring Among Highly Educated Korean Women

Dukin Lim, Nanzan University

3. Returning "Home"? Factors Affecting The Post-Retirement Residential Choice Of Filipino Elderly Migrants In Japan

Ma. Reinaruth Carlos, Ryukoku University

4. Negotiating Integration And Possibilities Of Return: The Role Of Civil Society In Emerging Migrant Destinations In Japan

Atsushi Sumiya, Baiko Gakuin University

PANEL

SAHSOL 2-01

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Rewriting Postcolonial South Asia: Women's Histories, Women's Futures: Part I

Chair

Yasmin Saikia, Arizona State University

Organizer

Yasmin Saikia, Arizona State University

Presentations

1. Missing Women In Power: Oral Histories And Constitution-Making In Pakistan
Maryam Khan, *Institute of Development & Economic Alternatives (IDEAS)*
2. Erased Yet Essential: Women, Law, And Revolution In Bangladesh
Cynthia Farid, *Advocate Supreme Court of Bangladesh*
3. Resentful Docility And Incomplete Belonging: Women, Men And Marriages In Almora 1890-1940S
Sanjay Joshi, *Northern Arizona University*
4. "Even The Crows Would Not Know": Communist Women's Mobilization Along The Surma In Mid-20 Th C. East Bengal
Elora Shehabuddin, *University of California-Berkeley*
5. Stateless And Abandoned: Muslim Women Between State Exclusion And Patriarchal Betrayal In India's Citizenship Crisis
Yasmin Saikia, *Arizona State University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-06

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Shifting Scales Across Asia, Part I: Life Under Ecological Crises

Chair

Waqas Butt, *University of Toronto*

Organizers

Waqas Butt, *University of Toronto*Muhammad Kavesh, *Australian National University*

Presentations

1. Rethinking Region: Water And Land In The Damaan
Waqas Butt, *University of Toronto*
2. Limestone Worliding: Scale-Making At The Cambodia's Extraction-Conservation Nexus
Justin Lau, *National University of Singapore*
3. Coal Ecologies And Agrarian Strain: Political Ecologies Of The Sahiwal Power Plant In Punjab
Komal Niazi, *Post-Doctorate Fellow at the Institute of Anthropology, School of Social Development, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China*
4. Scales Of Inhabiting: More-Than-Human Encounters In/For A Miyawaki Urban Forest In Rawalpindi
Tayeba Batool, *University of Pennsylvania*
5. Rethinking Ecological Scales, Relations, And Other Worlds In Rumi's Thoughts
Muhammad Kavesh, *Australian National University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 2-02

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Social Fabrics: Rethinking Gender, Art, And Textiles Then And Now

Chair

Yu-Chih Lai

Organizer

Fong-fong Chen, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

Presentations

1. When Fashion Mattered: Wu Youru, Printed Fabrics, And Female Imagery In Late Qing Shanghai
Fong-fong Chen, *Hong Kong Baptist University*
2. Intangible Cultural Heritage Preservation: Hong Kong Men's Cheongsam Making Technique
Haze Ng, *Hong Kong Polytechnic University*
3. Embroidery As Acts Of Defiance In Contemporary Chinese Art
Doris Sung, *The University of Alabama*

Discussant

Yu-Chih Lai, *Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica*

PANEL

SDSB 203

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sovietizing Difference: Alternative Histories Of State Building In South Asia

Chair

Michael O'Sullivan

Organizer

Roy Bar Sadeh

Presentations

1. The Career Of Soviet Federalism In Colonial South Asia: An Unexpected History?
Roy Bar Sadeh, *University of Manchester*
2. Soviet Nationalities Policies And The Communist Party Of India, Ca. 1939-1948
Ali Raza, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
3. The Soviet Ethos In Postcolonial India: A Study Of Tajalli (1949-1973)
Sumaira Nawaz, *National Law School of India University Bengaluru*

Discussant

Michael O'Sullivan, *University of North Carolina Chapel Hill*

SAHSOL 1-02

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Technology, Society, And Power: Digital Technologies, AI, And Infrastructures As Tools Of Connection, Participation, Surveillance, And Exclusion.

Chair

Dherminder Kumar

Organizers

Sanjay Kumar Chandani, *Jagran Institute of Management and Mass Communication*, India

Dherminder Kumar, *thepakvoice.com*

Presentations

1. Reconfiguring Trust Under Digital Governance: Sex Workers' Visual Culture, Censorship, And Alternative Forms Of Participation In China

HONGJUE DAI, *University of Missouri, Columbia*

2. Queer Narratives In The "Digital Closet": Algorithmic Bias, ChatGPT Keyword Extraction, And Emerging Responses To Digital Censorship

Shinae Ha, *Yonsei University, Republic of Korea*

3. Fractured Futures: Elite Schooling, Peripheral Resistance, And The Digital Disruption Of Political Identity In Pakistan

Maryam Daud, *Georgetown University Qatar*

4. Navigating Surveillance, Silencing, And Digital Activism: How Minority Voices In Pakistan Use Media To Negotiate Power And Reclaim Democratic Space.

Dherminder Kumar, *thepakvoice.com*

Discussant

Sanjay Kumar Chandani, *Jagran Institute of Management and Mass Communication*

A-5

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Textile Futures: Making, Heritage, And Everyday Worlds In South And Southeast Asia

Chair

Sarah Fee

Organizers

Su Yen Chong, *University of Toronto*

Sanniah Jabeen, *University of Toronto*

Presentations

1. Silk Sanae: The Spirit(S) Of Silks In Surin, Thailand

Alexandra Dalferro, *UC Berkeley*

2. Knowing And Making: Ethel Coomaraswamy And Minnette De Silva And Modern Textiles In Ceylon

Antonia Behan, *Queen's University*

3. Future Of Batik

Sabine Bolk, *Research Center for Material Culture, Leiden*

4. Knots Of Identity: A Case Study Of Two Royal Weaving Workshops In Malaysia

Su Yen Chong, *University of Toronto*

5. Handmade, Mediated, Industrial: The Many Lives Of Ajrak

Sanniah Jabeen, *University of Toronto*

PANEL

SDSB 102

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

The Unruly Archives: Embodied Knowledge, State Power, And Epistemic Sovereignty In Asia

Chair

Fouzia Farooq Ahmed, *Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.*

Organizer

Fouzia Farooq Ahmed, *Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.*

Presentations

1. **The Bazaar As A Living Archive: Archiving Masculine Solidarities And Relational Knowledge In Rawalpindi**
Amna Hafeez Mobeen, *Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.*
2. **Archiving The Sacred: State Bureaucracy As An Epistemic Tool In The Nationalization Of Pakistani Auqaf**
Saima Perveen, *University of Sargodha, Sargodha.*
3. **The Body As Archive: Tajriba And The Epistemology Of Evidence In Medieval Islamic Medicine**
Mehnaz Shaheen, *Karakoram International University, Gilgit Baltistan*

Discussant

Ali Gibran Siddiqui, *Institute of Business Administration*

PANEL

SDSB 106

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Un-Making The Expert: Affective Dimensions Of Emergent Expertise In South Asia

Chair

Ramsha Usman, *University of California Santa Barbara*

Organizer

Ihsan Arsalan, *Rice University*

Presentations

1. **Comprehending Cryospheric Connectivities: Glacier Science And The Karakoram Anomaly**
Ihsan Arsalan, *Rice University*
2. **Curating A Good Helper: How Expertise Is Felt, Framed, And Sold In Pakistan's Domestic Labor Market**
Anam Khan, *University of Texas at Austin*
3. **Insurgent Care And Affective Expertise: Governing Loss And Survival In Occupied Kashmir**
Zara Bakshi, *Rice University*
4. **The Problem Of 'Intention' In The Adjudication Of Blasphemy In Pakistan**
Abdullah Ali Jawad, *City University New York Graduate Center*
5. **Refusing Disability Status: Play And Mediation In Workers' Injury Assessment**
Ramsha Usman, *University of California Santa Barbara*

Discussant

Vivian Lu, *Rice University*

PANEL

A-12 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Vietnamese And Japanese Buddhist Literature And Art Within The Sinitic Cultural Sphere: Approaches Through Authors, Works, And Genres

Chair

NGUYEN Thi Mai Lien

Organizer

Truc NGUYEN Bich Nha, *Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Korea*

Presentations

1. **The Synthesis Of Poetry, Painting And Calligraphy In The Works Of Hon'Ami Koetsu And Tawaraya Sotatsu Under The Influence Of The Muromachi Period's Zen Culture**
Chan Nhu NGUYEN Dieu Minh, *Dong Thap University, Vietnam*
2. **Mindfulness And Wandering: Metamodern Zen As Cultural Resistance In The Poetry Of Thich Nhat Hanh And Nanao Sakaki**
An NGUYEN Thi Ha, *Ho Chi Minh city University of Education*
3. **Buddhist Thought In The Tale Of Kiêu (傳翹) By Nguyễn Du (Vietnam) And Kingyoden (金魚伝) By Kyokutei Bakin (Japan)**
Lien Nguyen Thi Mai, *Ha Noi University of Education, Vietnam*
4. **Sacred And Secular In The Zen Poetry By Tran Nhan Tong (陳仁宗) And Dogen Kigen (道元希玄)**
Truc NGUYEN Bich Nha, *Hankuk University of Foreign Study*

Discussant

NGUYEN Thi Ha An, *Ho Chi Minh city University of Education*

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm LUNCH

136 South Asia PANEL A-8 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Activism And Solidarity In And From South And Southeast Asia During The Cold War Chair Kamran Asdar Ali Organizers Maria Framke, <i>Rostock University</i> Sadia Bajwa, <i>Humboldt University, Berlin</i> Presentations 1. Campus Politics And Cold War Horizons: Student Activism And Ideological Contestation In 1950S Pakistan Sadia Bajwa, <i>Humboldt University, Berlin</i> 2. Djamila Echo: Indonesian Women's Solidarity With Algeria 1958-1962 Pratika Rizki Dewi, <i>Leiden University</i> 3. South Asian Women And Rural Development Activism: Transregional Cooperation And International Engagement From The 1950S To The 1970S Maria Framke, <i>Rostock University</i> 4. The Narration Of Belonging In The Life Histories Of South Asian Leftists In Canada, 1920S-1980S Anushay Malik, <i>Simon Fraser University</i> Discussant Kamran Asdar Ali, <i>University of Texas, Austin</i>	66 South Asia PANEL SDSB 303 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Beyond The Corridor: BRI's Social, Ecological, And Political Externalities In South Asia Chair Ahsan Shafi, <i>School of Government, Yunnan University</i> Organizer Ghulam Shabbir, <i>School of Ethnology & Sociology Yunnan University</i> Presentations 1. "Smart Tourism Under The Belt And Road Initiative And Its Role In Advancing Digital Transformation In Pakistan's Tourism Sector" Sajid Ali, <i>School of Business Administration and Tourism Management, Yunnan University</i> 2. "Edible Geopolitics: State-Led Globalization And Emerging Food Orders Along CPEC" Komal Niazi, <i>East China Normal University (ECNU) Shanghai</i> 3. "CPEC Evolving Disruptions Of Common And Livelihood Rights In Gwadar, Baluchistan" Ahsan Shafi, <i>School of Government, Yunnan University</i> 4. "The Impact Of Male Out-Migration On CPEC Corridor Communities: Shifting Gender Roles And Women's Agency In Rural Pakistan" Ghulam Shabbir, <i>School of Ethnology & Sociology, Yunnan University</i> Discussant Saroja Dorairajoo, <i>Mahidol University, Thailand</i>
410 South Asia ROUNDTABLE SAHSOL 0-07 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Breathing Inequality: Air Pollution, Unequal Mobility And People-Related Financial Risk In South Asia Chair Dr. Abid Burki Organizers Asim Jaffry, <i>Fair Finance Pakistan</i> Huma Iqbal, <i>Fair Finance Pakistan</i> Discussants Professor Anthony Stein Wexler, <i>Director, UC Davis Air Quality Research Center</i> Munaza Hassan, <i>Chairperson, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Climate Change & Environmental Coordination</i> Nadeem Iqbal, <i>CEO, TheNetwork for Consumer Protection in Pakistan</i> Syed Ahtesham Gillani, <i>President, Sialkot Chamber of Commerce & Industry</i> Asim Jaffry, <i>Country Program Lead, Fair Finance Pakistan</i>	365 South Asia PANEL A-5 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Caste In South Asia, Part 2 Chair Ghazal Asif Farukkhi Organizer Dominic Esler, <i>Lahore University of Management Sciences</i> Presentations 1. Reshaping Regimes Of Recognition: Analyzing The Expansion Of Preferential Quotas To Muslims In India Julien Levesque, <i>Chargé de Recherche, CNRS-GSRL</i> 2. Re-Theorizing Caste Steve Folmar, <i>Wake Forest University</i> 3. Statecraft, Hierarchy, And The Making Of Caste Across South Asian Polities Nicolas Martin, <i>University of Zurich</i> Discussant Ghazal Asif Farukkhi, <i>Lahore University of Management Sciences</i>

PANEL

A-3 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Contours Of Competition: Unpacking Asia's Evolving Geopolitical Landscape**Chair**Duncan McCargo, *Nanyang Technological University, Singapore***Organizer**Duncan McCargo, *Nanyang Technological University, Singapore***Presentations**

1. Strategic Realignment And Structural Limits: Bangladesh's Foreign Policy After 2024
Sourav Ghosh, *Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)*
2. Rethinking Thai Foreign Policy
Duncan McCargo, *Nanyang Technological University, Singapore*
3. Whose Route Is It Anyway? Central Asian Infrastructure Geopolitics And The Making Of The Middle Corridor
Valentin Krüsmann, *Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOIS)*
4. Indonesia—Japan Relations In A Changing Geopolitics In East Asia (2019-2024)
Siti Daulah Khoiriati, *Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia*

DiscussantValentin Krüsmann, *Centre for East European and International Studies (ZOIS)*

PANEL

A-7 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Disability, Morality, And Learning In Transition**Chair**Nazish Fayyaz, *Quaid-I-Azam University Islamabad***Organizer**Nazish Fayyaz, *Quaid-I-Azam University Islamabad***Presentations**

1. Experiences Of Students With Disabilities In Mainstream Schools In Gilgit-Baltistan
Farwa Batool, *Quaid-I-Azam University Islamabad*
2. The Role Of Education In Moral Upbringing: A Comparative Study Of Female Students In Madrassa And University In Rawalpindi /Islamabad
Anum Mushtaq, *Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad,*
3. Teaching In The Age Of AI: University Teachers' Perspectives On Student Learning And Academic Integrity In Pakistani Higher Education
Nabeela Irum, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad*
4. Exploring Campus Deviance In The Framework Of Criminological Imagination
Attiya Cheema, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad*
5. Perception Of University Students About A Healthy Lifestyle
Kawish Cheema, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad*

DiscussantsNabeela Irum, *Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad,*
Farwa Batool, *Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad,*

PANEL

Sayeed Saigol Auditorium 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Energy, Infrastructure, Transforming Ecologies And Everyday Resistance In Pakistan's Thar Desert**Chair**Mustafa Khan, *SOAS, University of London***Organizer**Vikram Das, *Heidelberg University***Presentations**

1. Energy Projects, Connectivity, And Transforming Ecologies In The Thar Desert Of Pakistan
Vikram Das, *Heidelberg University*
2. What Comes After Co-Option? Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) And Everyday Resistance Against Coal Mining In Pakistan
Usman Khan, *University of Helsinki*
3. Infrastructural Enchantments In The Pakistan Borderlands: The Making Of A 'New Dubai'
Mustafa Khan, *SOAS, University of London*

PANEL

SDSB 304 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Exercises In Method: Fragments, Forms, Desires, And Rethinking The Archive**Chair**Syeda Momina Masood, *University of Pittsburgh***Organizers**Syeda Momina Masood, *University of Pittsburgh*
Palvashay Sethi, *Institution of Business Administration***Presentations**

1. The Fangirl As Method And As Archive: Transpacific Exchanges Of Pop Culture Between Asia And Latin America
María Alexandra Arana Blas, *University of Pittsburgh*
2. Touching Dust: Queer Historiography And The Afterlives Of Pakistan's Television Archive
Aaisha Salman, *University of Toronto*
3. The Scatter And Materiality Of Low-Budget Asian Cinemas
Syeda Momina Masood, *University of Pittsburgh*
4. Writing Towards (II)Legibility; Or Other Forms In South Asian Fiction
Palvashay Sethi, *Institution of Business Administration*

DiscussantNaveen Minai, *Wesleyan University*

SDSB 201 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Fictional Treatments Of Disturbed Minds In Ming-Qing China

ChairRania Huntington, *University of Wisconsin, Madison***Organizer**Rania Huntington, *University of Wisconsin, Madison***Presentations**

1. Mental Illness: The View From The Garden Of Cuning
Rania Huntington, *University of Wisconsin, Madison*
2. Pathologizing And Curing Gambling Addiction In The Tiger-And-Leopard Turnabout
Nellie Ting Yang, *Yale University*
3. Un)Curable "Illness": Hongloulou's Paradoxical
Pathologization And Romanticization Of Jia Baoyu's Queer-
Ness/Trans-Ness In Fiction And Contemporary Mediascape
Tsz-kit Yim, *Hong Kong University*
4. When Wu Yong Lost His Mind: Mental (In-)Stability And The
Duties Of The General In Yu Wanchun's 俞萬春 Dangkou Zhi
蕩寇志
Sabine Weber, *Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-
Nürnberg*

SDSB 205 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Fluid, Unproductive, Precious, Polluted: Fingerprints Of Power
And Capital On South Asia's Landscapes**Chair**Sarah Eleazar Sadiq, *University of Texas at Austin***Organizer**Sarah Eleazar Sadiq, *University of Texas at Austin***Presentations**

1. Rendering Water Crisis Technical: Rule, Debt And Everyday
Survival In Pakistan
Sher Ali Khan, *Ohio State University*
2. Wastelands And Resistance: Infrastructure, Extraction, And
Unruly Ecologies In Pakistan's Thar Desert
Zahid Ali Khan, *Rice University*
3. On Climate Futures And Capitalist Desires: Reclassifying
Rural Landscapes For Urban Survival
Shafaq Sohail, *University of Texas at Austin*
4. Disaster, Debt & Development: Contemporary Imaginaries Of
Ruin In Postwar Sri Lanka
Kamil Ahsan, *Yale University*
5. Race To The Bottom: Tracing Leakages And Seepages In A
Toxic Aquifer
Sarah Eleazar Sadiq, *University of Texas at Austin*

DiscussantMaira Hayat, *University of Notre Dame*

SDSB 102 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Future Artists, Art Works For The Future: Emerging Digital-
Physical Practices In South Asia And The United Arab Emirates
(UAE)**Chair**Katerine Niedinger, *University of Vienna***Organizers**Manuela Ciotti, *University of Vienna*Manuela Ciotti, *University of Vienna***Presentations**

1. Filming Futures: Artistic Practice And Imagination In The
Dystopian City
Furqan Faridi, *University of Vienna*
2. "Gaze Into The Art Of The Future": Ethnographic Encounters
At Art Basel's Zero10 In Hong Kong And Basel
Katerine Niedinger, *University of Vienna*
3. King Of Pop: Or, How To Take Control Of The Future
Manuela Ciotti, *University of Vienna*

DiscussantAmmara Maqsood, *University College London*

SDSB 301 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Gendered Experiences In Pakistan: Health, Spirituality, And
Work**Chair**Dr. Nabiha Fatima, *Lahore School of Economics (LSE)***Organizer**Dr. Nabiha Fatima, *Lahore School of Economics (LSE)***Presentations**

1. Women's Career In Media Industry Of Pakistan: An Analysis
Of Patriarchy And Neo-Liberalism
Dr. Nabiha Fatima, *Lahore School of Economics*
2. Spiritual Coping And Quality Of Life In Infertile Couples:
Evidence From A Fertility Center In Lahore, Pakistan
Dr. Aaisha Amjad, *Forman Christian College University (FCCU)*
3. Factors Associated With Caesarean Deliveries Among Child-
Bearing Women In Pakistan: Secondary Analysis Of Data
From The Demographic And Health Survey, 2012-13
Dr. Uzair Amjad, *University of Management and Technology
(UMT)*

PANEL

A-6 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Gendered Margins And The Politics Of Feminist Agency In Pakistan**Chair**Nazish Fayyaz, *Quaid-I-Azam University Islamabad***Organizer**Nazish Fayyaz, *Quaid-I-Azam University Islamabad***Presentations**

1. **Representing The Unrepresented: Ethical Dilemmas In Feminist Research**
Faiz Rasool, *Quaid-I-Azam University Islamabad*
2. **From Subjects To Agents: Reclaiming Subaltern Women's Voices In Gender Justice Movements**
Syeda Kazmi, *Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad,*
3. **From Margins To Markets: Empowering Murree's Women Through Sustainable Tourism**
Syeda Azhar, *Kohsar University Murree*

DiscussantSyeda Kazmi, *Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad,*

PANEL

A-9 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Global Asias And The Global South: Geopolitics, Solidarities, And Shared Futures**Chair**Jerónimo Delgado-Caicedo, *Universidad Externado de Colombia***Organizer**Jerónimo Delgado-Caicedo, *Universidad Externado de Colombia***Presentations**

1. **Asia, Africa, And Latin America In The Era Of Global Asias: Reconfiguring The Geopolitics Of The Global South**
Jerónimo Delgado-Caicedo, *Universidad Externado de Colombia*
2. **Romancing Africanness In Global Asias: Blackness, Beauty, And South-South Belonging In Malaysia's Digital Worlds**
Vilashini Somiah, *Universiti Malaya*
3. **Reconfiguring The Global South: The Impact Of Global Asias On Asia And Africa's Regionalism**
Juliana Appiah, *University of Ghana*
4. **Sino-African Relations And Global Asias: Cooperation, Contradictions, And The African Union's Agency In The 21st Century**
Guilherme Ziebell de Oliveira, *Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul*

PANEL

SDSB 204

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Health, Stigma, And Narrative Healing In South Asia: Rethinking And Reframing Neglected Diseases Of Leprosy And Tuberculosis In Pakistan

Chair

Anil Fastenau, *German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief Association (GLRA/DAHW), HQ, Wuerzburg, Germany; Senior, Marie Adelaide Leprosy Centre, Karachi, Pakistan, Department of Global Health, Institute of Public Health and Nursing Research*

Organizer

Hamideh Ebrahimi, *Lahore School of Nursing, Punjab, Pakistan*

Presentations

- 1. Understanding Reasons For Delay In Diagnosis Of Leprosy In Pakistan: A Qualitative Study**
Matthew Wallis, *Department of Global Health, Institute of Public Health and Nursing Research, University of Bremen, Bremen, Germany*
- 2. Sharing Is Healing: The Power Of Storytelling To Transform Mental Health In The Field Of Neglected Tropical Diseases**
Alexandra Asboeck, *Marie Adelaide Leprosy Center, Karachi, Pakistan*
- 3. Understanding Stigma: The Experiences Of People With Drug-Sensitive Pulmonary Tuberculosis In Rawalpindi, Pakistan**
Anil Fastenau, *German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief Association (GLRA/DAHW), HQ, Wuerzburg, Germany; Senior, Marie Adelaide Leprosy Centre, Karachi, Pakistan; Department of Global Health, Institute of Public Health and Nursing Research*
- 4. An Examination Of Shia Hadiths On Leprosy And Their Influence On The Construction Of Social Stigma A Historical Review**
Hamideh Ebrahimi, *Lahore School of Nursing, University of Lahore (UoL), Lahore, Pakistan.*
- 5. Knowledge, Attitudes, And Practices Toward Leprosy Among Health Workers: A Global Systematic Review And Meta-Analysis**
Madiha Mokhtar, *Lahore School of Nursing, University of Lahore (UoL), Lahore, Pakistan.*

Discussants

Anil Fastenau, *German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief Association (GLRA/DAHW), HQ, Wuerzburg, Germany Senior* 2. **Marie Adelaide Leprosy Centre, Karachi, Pakistan, 3. Department of Global Health, Institute of Public Health and Nursing Research
Fabian Schlumberger, *University of Antwerp and Institute of Tropical Medicine Antwerp, Belgium***

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SDSB 104

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

In Search Of Belonging: A Multidisciplinary Consideration Of How And Why People Move Across South Asia

Chair

Sumedha Chakravarthy, *University of Cambridge*

Organizers

Zara Ismail, *University College London*

Sumedha Chakravarthy, *University of Cambridge*

Presentations

- 1. “And From That Time My Problems Began”: Household Politics And Forced Movement In Bhopal**
Zara Ismail, *University College London*
- 2. Country Forest/Forest Country**
Manasvini Rajan, *University of Massachusetts Amherst*
- 3. “Hum Kahan Nahin Gaye!”: Political Participation And The Making Of Urban Belonging In Delhi**
Sumedha Chakravarthy, *University of Cambridge*

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PANEL

A-4 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Islamic Worldmaking And The Politics Of Connection

Chair

Amen Jaffer

Organizer

Mahdi Chowdhury, *Harvard University*

Presentations

1. **Marxism As Kalaam-Al-Naas: Maulana Abdul Rahim Popalzai And The Search For A Revolutionary Method**
Asmer Asrar Safi, *Oxford University*
2. **Cosmopolitanism In Question: Rethinking The Conditions For Comity In Post-Partition Bombay**
Hugo Hansen, *Emory University*
3. **The Prophet And The Whale: The Indian Ocean As "Islamic Sensorium"**
Mahdi Chowdhury, *Harvard University*
4. **Mao-Lana Of Asia: Bhashani, Black Maoism And Islamic Socialism**
Layli Uddin, *Queen Mary University of London*

Discussant

Amen Jaffer, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

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PANEL

SAHSOL 0-06 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Islam Otherwise: Subaltern Embodiments, Mystical Ontologies, And Revolutionary Politics In South Asia

Chair

Khadeeja Majoka, *Columbia University*

Organizers

Zunayed Ahmed Ehsan, *University of Wisconsin-Madison*
Khadeeja Majoka, *Columbia University*

Presentations

1. **The Muharram Rebellion: Embodiment And Revolt**
Shamim Hossain, *University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill*
2. **Politicizing Islamic Ontologies Of Unity In The Twentieth Century**
Sarah Merchant, *University of California, Berkeley*
3. **Socialist Aspirations Of The Muslim "Periphery" In East Bengal**
Zunayed Ahmed Ehsan, *University of Wisconsin-Madison*
4. **Unknown Gender In Subaltern Islam**
Khadeeja Majoka, *Columbia University*

Discussants

Khadeeja Majoka, *Columbia University*
Zunayed Ahmed Ehsan, *University of Wisconsin-Madison*

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SDSB B-2 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Labor, Mobility, And Citizenship Between And Beyond Asian Borders

Chair

Joanico Gusmao Alves, *Human Rights Centre, UNTL*

Organizers

Lili Chen, *UNTL*
Joanico Gusmao Alves, *Human Rights Centre, UNTL*

Presentations

1. **Care Work And Inequality Based On Gender, Class, And Ethnicity: A Case Study Of Internal Migration Of Ethnic Minority Women**
Maliwan Senawong, *Women's Studies Center, Chiang Mai University*
2. **Intimate Politics At The Border: Undocumented Migrants, Gender, And Citizenship In Timor-Leste**
Lili Chen, *Department of Political Science, Universidade Nacional Timor Lorosa'e*
3. **Recruited For Assimilation: Former Soviet Ethnic Koreans In Jecheon, South Korea**
Junseok Lee, *Seoul National University*
4. **Imagined Communities Of New Chinese Migrants In Thailand And Vietnam**
Qingming Huang, *Institute for Development and Governance, Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen)*

Discussant

A.K.M. Ahsan Ullah, *Global Studies and Migration, FASS, Universiti Brunei Darussalam*

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SDSB 106 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Media In Motion In East Asia And Beyond

Chair

Lin Du, *National University of Singapore*

Organizers

Lin Du, *National University of Singapore*
Hideaki Fujiki, *Nagoya University*

Presentations

1. **Hiroshima Mon Amour (Alain Resnais, 1959) And The Transnational Politics Of Asian Screen Mobilities**
Alastair Phillips, *University of Warwick*
2. **Digital Historical Forensics: A Computational Approach To Wartime Media Cultures During WWII**
Lin Du, *National University of Singapore*
3. **Guerrilla Circulations: Mediating Revolutionary Potential Through Yama: Attack To Attack**
Hao Wen, *Nagoya University*

Discussant

Hideaki Fujiki, *Nagoya University*

PANEL

SDSB 101 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Mobility, Affect, And Multilayered Past: Travel Writing About China, 1900-1937

Chair

Juanjuan Wu, *Tsinghua University, Beijing*

Organizers

Juanjuan Wu, *Tsinghua University, Beijing*Tomasz Ewertowski, *Shanghai International Studies University*

Presentations

1. "The Sleeping Dragon" Through Ottoman Eyes: Ottoman Travelers' Perceptions Of China In The Early Twentieth Century
Mustafa Serdar Palabiyik, *Turkish Academy of Sciences*
2. A Hybrid Gaze: Mapping Affect And Asian Modernity In Early 20Th-Century Travelogues Of Northeast China
Jingjing Huang, *The University of Hong Kong*
3. Langston Hughes In China: Black Internationalism And Affective Mobility In The 1930S
Xinwen Huang, *Tsinghua University, Beijing*
4. Travel, Affects, And Entanglements: The 1932 Journey Of A Polish Sinologist And The Layers Of The Past
Tomasz Ewertowski, *Shanghai International Studies University*
5. Affective Navigation Of China's Layered Modernity In Dorothea Hosie's Travel Narrative In The 1930S
Juanjuan Wu, *Tsinghua University, Beijing*

PANEL

SAHSOL 2-06 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Mughal Women's Avenues Of Engagement With Public Life: Opportunities And Limitations

Chair

Mehreen Chida-Razvi, *Department of History of Art, SOAS, University of London*

Organizers

Parshati Dutta, *Department of Art History, University of York*
Srinanda Ganguly, *University of Illinois Urbana Champaign*

Presentations

1. A Woman's Space: Architecture Of The Mughal Harem
Mehreen Chida-Razvi, *Department of History of Art, SOAS, University of London*
2. Piety & Patronage At The Mughal Court: The Maryam Zamani Mosque In Lahore
Jahanara Saigol, *Independent*
3. Women And The Law At The Wazir Khan Mosque
Zahra Shah, *Department of History, University of Bristol*
4. Maryam Zamani's Tomb In Sikandra: Challenges In Historiography And Conservation
Parshati Dutta, *Department of Art History, University of York*

Discussant

Srinanda Ganguly, *University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign*

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PANEL

A-11 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Negotiating Modernity: Popular Religions And Alternative Lifeworlds In East And Southeast Asia

Chair

Kazuo Fukuura, Toin University of Yokohama

Organizer

Kazuo Fukuura, Toin University of Yokohama

Presentations

- 1. The Introduction Of Cremation And The Diversification Of Graves In South Korea**
Ryohei Takamura, *Akita University*
- 2. Healing, Heritage, And Hybrid Religion: The Phra Kring As A Post-War Buddhist Cultural Bridge**
Chawarote Valyamedhi, *National Chengchi University*
- 3. Resurrecting Lan Na Religiosity: Northern Thai Monks And Transnational Devotees**
Kazuo Fukuura, *Toin University of Yokohama*
- 4. From Incense Burner To Festival: The Expansion Of The Nine Emperor Gods Worship In Contemporary Southeast Asia**
Atsuko Fukuura, *Shiga University*
- 5. Producing The Sacred: Sonic Devotions In The Cult Of Phra Chao Than Chai At Wat Phra That Doi Kham, Chiang Mai**
Nayos Sartjinong, *Bangkokthonburi University*

Discussant

Kazuo Fukuura, Toin University of Yokohama

322 East and Inner Asia

PANEL

A-4 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Negotiating Nature: Environmental Knowledge, Labor, And Governance In Asia's Modern Century

Chair

Ying Han YEW

Organizer

JIAYING FU, Lingnan University

Presentations

- 1. Engineering Nature: Environmental Knowledge And Industrial Design At Vietnam's Thái Nguyên Iron And Steel Plant, 1958-1959**
XUN WANG, *National University of Singapore*
- 2. The Concealed Burden: Nightsoil Tradition, Hookworm Disease, And The Preliminary Exploration Of South China's Agricultural Health (1924-1926)**
JIAYING FU, *Lingnan University*
- 3. Ecology, Labor, And Society: Lotus Cultivation Under Heavy Metal Contamination Policies In Rural China**
DAN LIU, *The Graduate University for Advanced Studies, SOKENDAI*
- 4. Weed Doesn't Exist:alang, Grasses And The Making Of Modern Malaya**
YINGHAN YEW, *National University of Singapore*
- 5. Good Farmers And Good Technologies: Localizing Agricultural Sustainability In Xinjiang, China**
ANQI CHEN, *The Ohio State University*

Discussant

Sophie Chao, The University of Sydney

194 South Asia

PANEL

A-12 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Reframing 1971: New Methods, Records, And Afterlives

Chair

Yasmin Saikia

Organizer

ILYAS Chattha, LUMS

Presentations

- 1. The Study Of The 1971 War: The State Of The Field**
Sajjadur Rahman, *Strassler Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies, Clark University*
- 2. Postal Witnesses To History: Philately And The 1971 War**
Mannan Mashhur Zarif, *Journalist-Bangladesh*
- 3. The 1971 Bengali Internment Camps: 'Haunted Landscapes'**
ILYAS CHATTHA, *LUMS*
- 4. On The Afterlives Of 1971**
Mahvish Ahmad, *LSE (Human Rights)*

Discussant

Yasmin Yasmin Saikia, Arizona State University

366 Northeast Asia

PANEL

A-1 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Shifting Asia And Global Authoritarianism

Chair

William Hurst

Organizer

Alexsia Chan, Hamilton College

Presentations

- 1. Seesaw: U.S.-China Competition In Southeast Asia**
Alexsia Chan, *Hamilton College*
- 2. Constructing State Legitimacy: Social Media And The Police**
Suzanne Scoggins, *Clark University*
- 3. Democratic Decline In Developing Asia**
Adnan Naseemullah, *University of Oxford*
- 4. Forty-Five Years Of Perceptions, Predictions, And Prescriptions On China's Rise**
John Givens, *Spelman College*

Discussant

William Hurst, University of Cambridge

SAHSOL 0-02 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Shifting Scales Across Asia II: Thinking About More-Than-Human Worlds

ChairMuhammad Kavesh, *Australian National University***Organizers**Waqas Butt, *University of Toronto*Muhammad Kavesh, *Australian National University***Presentations**

1. Baring The District: Ecological Crisis And Spatial Aesthetics In Neeli Bar

Abdul Aijaz, *Australian National University*

2. Bad Ghosts: Death And Ecological Crisis In The Indian Himalaya

Radhika Govindrajana, *University of Washington*

3. Sensing Life: Human-Plant Communication And Healing In Multispecies Worlds

Wasia Arshad, *Australian National University*

4. Nala As A Multispecies Ecology Of Hunting In Gilgit, Northern Pakistan

Hassan Virk, *Australian National University*

SDSB 103 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Two Wheels, Many Asias: Bicycles, Power, And Everyday Modernities Across Asia

ChairHarald Fischer-Tine, *ETH-Zurich***Organizers**Teuku Reza Fadeli, *Universitas Indonesia*Harald Fischer-Tine, *ETH-Zurich***Presentations**

1. The E-Rickshaw Magician: Unraveling The Informal Electric Rickshaw Economy Within India's Electric Mobility Regime

Nikita Das, *University at Buffalo, SUNY*

2. The Steel Horse At War: Bicycling And Motorcycling In The British And Indian Armies (1890S-1920S)

Owen Jollie, *Ashoka University*

3. The Biopolitics Of The Pedaled Subject: Labour, Shame, And The Embodiment Of 'Non-Modernity' In Urban Colonial And Post-Colonial Indonesia, 1930S-1980S

Teuku Reza Fadeli, *Universitas Indonesia*

4. 'The Advent Of A Civilizing Force'? – Masculinities, Bodies And Bicycles In Colonial India (1868-1938)

Harald Fischer-Tine, *ETH-Zurich***Discussant**Harald Fischer-Tine, *ETH-Zurich*

SDSB B-3 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Unsettled Belongings: Migration, Governance And Identity Across Asia And The Pacific

ChairLance Collins, *Hawai'i Institute for Philippine Studies***Organizer**Lance Collins, *Hawai'i Institute for Philippine Studies***Presentations**

1. Unveiling The Untold: Kashmiri Migrant Women's Tales Of Resilience And Migration

Syeda Rabia Bukhari, *Hazara University*

2. Amok, Empire, And Labor: Rethinking Asian Legal Governance In Hawai'i

Lance Collins, *Hawai'i Institute for Philippine Studies*

3. The Gray Asians: Rethinking And Sustaining Ilokano Identity Across Borders

Devon Antonio, *California State University Fresno*

SDSB 203 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Writing The Everyday In Early Modern South Asia

Chair

Sujit Sivasundaram

OrganizerAli Daud Ul Rehman, *University of Cambridge***Presentations**

1. Trade Names For Textiles: Ideas Of Space And Place In South Asian Merchants' Lists Of Cloths

Sylvia W. Houghteling, *Bryn Mawr College*

2. Organic Matter And Consumer Society In Shahjahanabad-Delhi, C. 1648-1858

Jagjeet Lally, *University College London*

3. Everyday Histories, Exceptional Histories And Elliot And Dowson's History Of India

Nicholas Abbott, *Old Dominion University*

4. Writing Eunuch Lives: The Everyday-Ness Of Intimacy And Enslavement In Mughal South Asia

Emma Kalb, *Bonn Universität*

5. The Everyday Religious Life Of A Female Saint In 17Th-Century Mughal Sindh

Usman Hamid, *Northwestern University***Discussants**Zahra Shah, *University of Bristol*Naveena Naqvi, *The University of British Columbia*

PANEL

A-10

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Gender, Tradition, And Education: Negotiating Marriage And Mobility In Rural Pakistan**Chair****Salma Zahir**, *Higher education Department Peshawar, KPK, Pakistan***Organizer****Salma Zahir**, *Higher education Department Peshawar, KPK, Pakistan***Presentations**

- 1. Gender, Tradition, And The Transformative Role Of Community Education: A Study Of The Shaheed Baz Muhammad Kakar Foundation**
Sara Gul, *GGDMC Jinnah Town*
- 2. Women Empowerment Through Education: The Role Of Media In Promoting Female Education In Malakand Division, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa**
Muhammad Ali Khan, *National College of Arts (NCA), Lahore, Pakistan*
- 3. Madrasa Vs. Modern Education: Perceptions Among Parents In Balochistan, Pakistan**
Mahnaz Baloch, *University of Turbat, Balochistan, Pakistan*
- 4. Navigating Turbulence: How Women In Southern KP Use Social Media For Mobility And Intimacy**
Dr. Shabeer Ullah, *Khushal Khan Khattak University, Karak*

Discussant**Muhammad yaseen**, *University of Turbat, Balochistan, Pakistan***2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Islamic Calligraphy Workshop — SSE (10-202, 10-204, 10-302, 10-304)****2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Tea-break**

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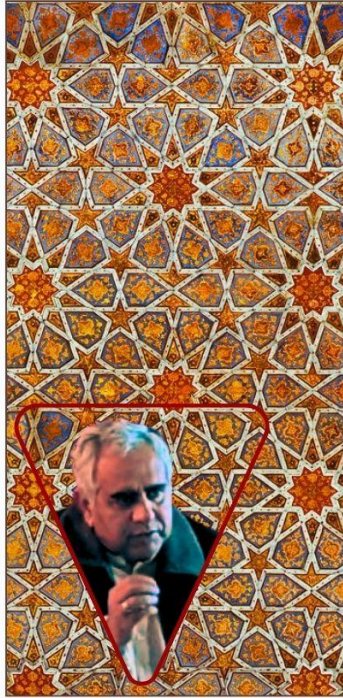
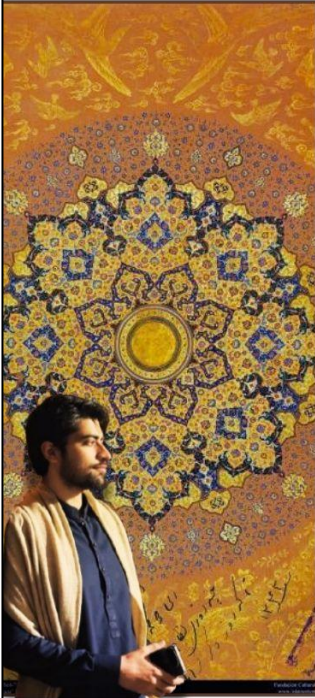
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Activating The Archive: Artistic Research, Hauntology, And Infrastructures Of Memory In Hong Kong	Annotations From The Margins: Rethinking Asian Media And Literature Against Settler-Colonial Humanism
Chair	Chair
Lai Lai Natalie Lo , <i>School of Creative Media, City University of Hong Kong</i>	Rebecca Ehrenwirth , <i>University of Applied Sciences/SDI Munich</i>
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Discussants	Discussants
Michelle Wun Ting Wong , <i>Art History Department, The University of Hong Kong</i>	Rebecca Ehrenwirth , <i>University of Applied Sciences/SDI Munich</i>
Ka Ying Wong , <i>Department of Cultural Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong</i>	Fareed Ben-Youssef , <i>Texas Tech University</i>
Xianliang Dong , <i>The Jao Tsung-I Academy of Sinology, Hong Kong Baptist University</i>	Roslynn Ang , <i>Independent</i>
	Stasha Arifin Wong , <i>University of Chicago</i>
	Shelley Tuazon Guyton , <i>National University of Singapore</i>
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Beyond The Monolith: Interfaith Dialogues As Pathways To Pluralism In Pakistan	Centring Marginalised Voices: Women Scholars, Knowledge Pathways, And Inclusive Futures In Asian Studies
Chair	Chair
Iqbal Akhtar , <i>Florida International University</i>	Niki Alsford
Organizer	Organizer
Iqbal Akhtar , <i>Florida International University</i>	Niki Alsford , <i>University of Lancashire</i>
Discussants	Discussants
Dayyab Gillani , <i>Punjab University</i>	Shabbir Ahsen , <i>LUMS</i>
Ijlal Hussain , <i>Silk Road Centre</i>	Aisha Alam , <i>University of Peshawar</i>
Mudassir Shah , <i>Saroba Sharif, Sufi Council</i>	Imrana Rasheed
	Kalsoom Khan , <i>HED, KP</i>
	Gul Khanda
	Farae Naeem
	Mahnaz Baloch

PANEL

SDSB 305

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Chinese TV Drama As Method: Nation, Gender And Subjectivity
In Asia's Neoliberal Transformation

Chair

Muhammad Ibrahim Khan

Organizer

Xiaoyu Zhang, *University of York*

Presentations

1. Negotiating Women's Gendered Roles And Responsibilities In
Urban China

Sanna Eriksson, *University of York*

2. Historicised Pseudo-Feminism: The Making Of 'Big Heroines'
In Chinese Women-Oriented Historical Romance Dramas

Ran Yan, *Shenzhen University*

3. Neoliberalism And Media Consumption: Reflection Of Female
Viewers On Gender Represented In Chinese TV Shows

Xiaoyu Zhang, *University of York*

4. The Long Season: Ageing Masculinities, Cringe, And
Postsocialist Northeast China

Min Xu, *Durham University*

Discussant

Monika Arnoštová, *University of Duisburg-Essen*

PANEL

SDSB 304

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Cold War Environments Of Contemporary Asia (Panel 1): The
Constitution Of Militarized Afterlives

Chair

Chris Cristóbal Chan, *Stanford University*

Organizers

Justin Weinstock, *University of California, Berkeley*

Chris Cristóbal Chan, *Stanford University*

Presentations

1. Cold War's Nature: Outdoor Laboratories And The Militarized
Gaze Of Ecosystem Ecology

Eleana Kim, *University of California, Irvine*

2. (Re)-Racializing A "Hot" Bornean Landscape During The
"Cold" War

Nancy Peluso, *University of California, Berkeley*

3. Conservation As The Continuation Of Counterinsurgency (By
Similar Means)

Justin Weinstock, *University of California, Berkeley*

Discussant

Andrew Johnson, *TBA*

ROUNDTABLE

SAHSOL 0-02

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Collective Care As Ecological Praxis: Feminist Movement
Sustainability And Funding Futures Across Asia

Chair

Shama Dossa, *Fenomenal Funds/ Habib Univeristy*

Organizers

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Phoebe So, *Fenomenal Funds*

Discussants

Noorulain Masood, *CSIDC*

Hira Amjad, *DASTAK Foundation*

Phoebe So, *Crateva Consulting*

Aliya Bakshal, *Womens Democratic Front Pakistan*

Phoebe So, *Fenomenal Funds*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 301

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Dialogue And The Role Of Literature In Asian Politics Today

Chair

Dr. Syrrina Ahsan Ali Haque

Organizer

Dr. Syrrina Ahsan Ali Haque, *Kinnaird College for Women*

Discussants

4. Mamoonah Anwar, *Lahore School of Economics*

Nosheen Yousaf, *Government College University, Faisalabad*

Serene Angel Sohail, *Kinnaird College for Women*

Zunera Bukhari, *Government Islamia Graduate College for Women
Cooper Road, Lahore*

1. Syeda Memoona Ali, *Forman Christian College Chartered
University*

ROUNDTABLE

A-5 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Digital Curation In Context: Technologies, Ethics, And Constraints In Anthropological And Cultural Exhibitions Across Asia

Chair

GAOLI LIU, *National Ainu Museum*

Organizers

GAOLI LIU, *National Ainu Museum*

Ozma Bhatti, *Lahore Museum*

Discussants

Fakir Syed Saifuddin, *Fakir Khana Museum*

Mazhar Naveed, *Dev House*

Essa Kashif, *WEI'n Venice*

Zainab Sabri, *Lahore Museum*

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-02 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Encounter And Imagination: Visualizing Foreigners In Chinese Art

Chair

Hanwei Wang

Organizer

Fan Zhang, *Tulane University*

Presentations

1. Entertaining With Foreign Performers: Acrobats And Musicians In The Northern Wei Tombs

Fan Zhang, *Tulane University*

2. Donors, Magicians, And The Heterodox: Foreign Figures In Imagery On Buddhist Steles From The Northern Dynasties
Jinchao Zhao, *Tongji University*

3. Locating "Foreign" Arhats In Chinese Landscapes: Guanxiu's Paintings Of Sixteen Arhats In The Tang-Song Transition
Xinyu Wang, *Zhejiang University*

4. New Faces, Old Orders? Picturing Europeans In China's Seventeenth-Century Tributary Imagination
Yutong Li, *New York University Shanghai*

Discussant

Fei Deng, *Fudan University*

PANEL

SDSB 104 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Federalism In Pakistan: How Real Is The Challenge To Provincial Autonomy?

Chair

Mohammad Waseem, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Organizer

Mohammad Waseem, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Presentations

1. Struggle For Provincial Autonomy In Pakistan: Keeping Or Reversing The 18Th Amendment?

Mohammad Waseem, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

2. Struggle For Provincial Autonomy In Pakistan: Keeping Or Reversing The 18Th Amendment?

Farhan Siddiqi, *Institute of Business Administration, Karachi*

3. Reconfiguring Power Sharing Under Military Tutelage: Institutional Change And The (Un)Making Of The 18Th Amendment In Pakistan

Salman Sheikh, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Discussant

Fizza Batool, *Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology University*

ROUNDTABLE

A-12 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Feminist Transformations In Asia: Rethinking Care, Energy, And Justice Through Regional Evidence

Chair

Myrah Nerine Butt

Organizer

Jayaa Jaggi, *Director of Programs/ Institute for Social and Youth Development (ISYD)*

Discussants

Nalini Rathnarajah, *Executive Director/ Women's Development Innovators*

Farhat Parveen, *Executive Director/ National Organization for Working Communities (NOWCommunities)*

Anbreen Ajaib, *Executive Director/ Bedari*

PANEL

SDSB 204 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Forms Of Enquiry: Experiments In Border Crossing

Chair

Vazira Zamindar, *Brown University*

Organizer

Vazira Zamindar, *Brown University*

Presentations

1. On Amnesia And Form
Vazira Zamindar, *Brown University*
2. Theorizing The Border As And Through The Film Cut
Natasha Raheja, *Cornell University*
3. Making "Parallel Partition" (Samanantar Vibhajan): Dialogical Cinema And The Temporal Continuities Of Partition Violence
Ashish Chadha, *University of Rhode Island*
4. Visualizing Care: Storytelling As Data Visualization At MohenjoDaro
Uzma Rizvi, *Pratt Institute*
5. Poets Have Forgotten Words For Love
Mariah Lookman, *Artist/Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture*

Discussants

Farida Batool, *National College of Arts, Lahore*
 Tamara Chin, *Brown University*

PANEL

SDSB 102 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Gendered Spaces In The University: Infrastructures, Knowledge Practices, And Methodological Innovations At UP Diliman

Chair

Kristel May Gomez-Magdaraog, *UP Diliman Gender Office*

Organizer

Kristel May Gomez-Magdaraog, *UP Diliman Gender Office*

Presentations

1. Pabebe Sa Diliman: Traversing The Four-Year Experience Of Parents In UP Diliman, From Lockdown Up To The Present
Ma. Stephanie Joy Andaya, *UP Diliman Gender Office*
2. Visualizing Institutional Gender Needs: Participatory Methods For Research Agenda-Setting At UP Diliman.
Sarah Grace Valdez, *UP Diliman Gender Office*
3. Making Student Scholarship Visible: Mulat And The Documentation Of Emergent Gender Knowledge At UP Diliman
Ma. Sophia Vestine Peña, *UP Diliman Gender Office*

PANEL

A-3 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Gender, Marginality And Power In Pakistani Discourse: Deconstructing Literary, Educational And Digital-Media Narratives

Chair

Mehreen Zafar, *Ghazi University, Pakistan*

Organizer

Mehreen Zafar, *Ghazi University, Pakistan*

Presentations

1. Voices From The Margin: A Gramscian Reading Of Gender, Power, And Marginality In Rabbani's Invisible People
Wajeeha Maryam, *Ghazi University, Pakistan*
2. Language Textbooks And Gender Ideology: A Critical Discourse Analysis Of Gender Representation In English Access Program Materials In Pakistan
Talha Basheer, *English Access Scholarship Program*
3. Power And Algorithmic Marginality In Pakistan: A Linguistic Study Of Gender And Voice In AI-Generated Discourse
Mehreen Zafar, *Ghazi University, Pakistan*

ROUNDTABLE

A-15 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Global South Vs Third World

Chair

Aasim Sajjad Akhtar, *Quaid e Azam University*

Organizer

Aasim Sajjad Akhtar, *Quaid e Azam University*

Discussants

Umair Javed, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
 Ali Usman Qasmi, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
 Ali Raza, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
 Alia Amirali, *Quaid e Azam University*
 Muhammad Azeem, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

SDSB 103

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Intersecting Realities, Diverging Implications- Decolonizing And Transforming Policy Formulation In South Asia

Chair

Dr. Amber Noor Mustafa, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan*

Organizer

Dr. Amber Noor Mustafa, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan*

Presentations

1. **Sojourners Seeking Themselves: Disrupting Narratives Of Agency And Un/Belonging Through Experiences Of Pakistani Women Doctoral Students In The United States**

Dr. Amber Noor Mustafa, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan*

2. **Extending Leadership Research: Conceptual Directions For Transnational Leadership Development And South Asian Young Women**

Dr. Norin Taj, *Athabasca University, Canada*

3. **AI Literacy, Policy, And The Quest For Autonomy: Lessons From Pakistan's Higher Education**

Dr. Mehwish Raza, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University), Lahore, Pakistan*

Discussant

Madiha Omer, *The City School Group*

SDSB 106

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Japan's Transnational And Global Connections, In, Of, Around, And Out Of This World

Chair

Millie Creighton, *University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada*

Organizer

Millie Creighton, *University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada*

Presentations

1. **Japan And Poland: An Unlikely Affinity**

Rafal Pankowski, *Collegium Civitas University, Warsaw, Poland*

2. **Japanese Connections With Africa, The Middle East, And Other Areas Of Asia, Through Architecture Projects**

Millie Creighton, *University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada*

3. **Un-Forgetting Yaeko: The Japanese Studies Dilemma Of Japan And Southeast Asia**

Karl Ian Uy Cheng Chua, *University of the Philippines - Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines*

4. **Digital Intimacies In The Age Of GenAI: Changing Dynamics Of Women's Romantic Relationships In Japan And China**

Hina Kangori, *University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada*

5. **Ascetic Cuisine: UNESCO And Gastronomical Politics In Northeastern Japan**

Shayne Dahl, *University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta*

Discussant

Elias Alexander, *University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, and Seoul National University, Seoul, S. Korea*

ROUNDTABLE

A-16 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Madagascar At The Centre Of The Austronesian World: Shared Origins, Living Knowledge, And Emerging Futures

Chair

Maurice Andriamihaja

Organizer

Niki Alsford, *University of Lancashire*

Discussants

Rindra Rakotoarivony, *University of Antananarivo*

Chantal Radimilahy, *University of Antananarivo*

Michel Razafiarivony, *Institute of Civilizations / Museum of Art and Archaeology (IC/MAA), University of Antananarivo*

PANEL

SAHSOL 2-06 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Navigating Asia: A Tech-Reflexive Perspective In The AI Era, Part 1

Chair

Miaotong Yuan, *Communication University of China*

Organizer

Miaotong Yuan, *Communication University of China*

Presentations

- 1. East Asian Aesthetics As A Counterweight: Mitigating The Visual Violence Of AI-Generated Hyper-Realism**
Tongyang Zhao, *Kyoto University of the Arts*
- 2. De-Standardization And Alternative Perception: Film Technology Fetishism And The Dilemma Of East Asian Technological Modernity In One Second**
Miaotong Yuan, *Communication University of China*
- 3. Algorithmic Friction In Cross-Cultural Contact: Rethinking Empathy And Value Alignment In AI-Generated Narratives—Centering Asian Cultural Sovereignty**
Yuxuan Cao, *Peking University*

Discussants

Francis Steen, *University of California, Los Angeles*

Arjun Chatterjee, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 303 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Partition's Silences, Global Entanglements, And Conditional Belonging In Bengal

Chair

Ilyas Chattha

Organizer

Asif Iqbal, *Oberlin College*

Discussants

Sayed Ferdous, *Jahangirnagar University*

Nadine Shaanta Murshid, *University at Buffalo (SUNY)*

Mahruba Mowtushi, *BRAC University*

Asif Iqbal, *Oberlin College*

PANEL

A-9 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Plural Authorities And Informal Justice In Rural Pakistan: Negotiating Legitimacy, Gender, And Governance

Chair

Dr. Sara Rizvi Jafree, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University)*

Organizer

Syeda Eesha Zainab, *University of Pécs*

Presentations

- 1. Exploring The Prevalence Of Alternative Systems In Conflict Resolution: A Case Study Of Gujranwala Division, Punjab, Pakistan**
Syeda Eesha Zainab, *University of Pécs*
- 2. Jirga Justice And Pakistan's Formal Legal System - A Conflict Shaping Child Marriage Prevention**
Dr. Sara Rizvi Jafree, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University)*
- 3. Informal Authority And Rural Justice: Religious Legitimacy And Local Governance In Southern Punjab**
Irfan Farooq, *University of Management and Technology*
- 4. From Margins To Discourse: Rethinking Gender Episteme In Environmental Studies**
Maheen Khan, *Pakistan Institute of Development Economics*

Discussants

Dr. Sara Rizvi Jafree, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University)*

Irfan Farooq, *University of Management and Technology*

PANEL

SDSB 201 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Political Ecologies Of Water Governance In Pakistan

Chair

Asma Qadri

Organizer

Hira Yousuf, *University of Bologna*

Presentations

1. **The Political Economy Of Water Infrastructure In Pakistan: Donor-Funded Resilience Projects And Informal Governance**
Manal Yousuf, *Boğaziçi University*
2. **Between Marsh And Megaproject: The Uncertainty Of Coastal Governance And The Karachi Coastal Comprehensive Development Zone**
Sana Rizwan Gondal, *Karachi Urban Lab*
3. **The Making And Unmaking Of Public Hydraulics In Karachi**
Saba Aslam, *University of Cambridge*
4. **Discard And Resistance On The Korangi Coast: The Case Of Small-Scale Fishing Communities In Karachi, Pakistan**
Hira Yousuf, *University of Bologna*
5. **Discard And Resistance On The Korangi Coast: The Case Of Small-Scale Fishing Communities In Karachi, Pakistan**
Hira Yousuf, *University of Bologna*

Discussant

Asma Qadri, *Freelance Lawyer*

PANEL

A-6 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
'Re-Centering Asia At The Top Of The World: Material Culture And Discourses From The Upper Indus'

Chair

Ali Zaidi, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

Organizer

Ali Zaidi, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

Presentations

1. **"The Diversity Of Rock Art In The Upper Indus Between Baltistan And Chilas-Diamer"**
Zakir Hussain Zakir, *University of Baltistan-Skardu*
2. **"Mythic Landscapes Of Gilgit-Baltistan: Place-Memory And Peristani Identity In Local Folklore"**
Muhammad Issa, *University of Baltistan-Skardu*
3. **"Whispering Glaciers: Indigenous Ecological Wisdom And Environmental Stewardship In The Folklore Of Gilgit-Baltistan"**
Muhammad Naseem Hasrat, *University of Baltistan-Skardu*
4. **"Religio-Cultural Tourism In Gilgit-Baltistan: Inter-Cultural Challenges, Economic Opportunities, And Security Risks Of Religious Heritage Preservation"**
Ali Zaidi, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

Discussant

Jason Neelis, *Wilfrid Laurier University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 2-07 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Refiguring Women's Studies In Global Asia: Gendered Agency On Intellectual History, Cross-Border Experience, And Generational Connections

Chair

Cheng Ni, *The Chinese University of Hong Kong*

Organizers

Keyi Zhang, *The University of Hong Kong*
 FNU Dulan, *The University of Tokyo*

Presentations

1. **Who Makes Up The World-Highest Prison Female Sex Ratio? Mainland Chinese Sex Workers In Hong Kong Under "One Country, Two Systems"**
Cheng Ni, *The Chinese University of Hong Kong*
2. **Experience Cross-Border Feminism: When The Intellectual History Of Feminism In Mainland China And Hong Kong Connects With Students' Subjective Narratives In A Global University In Hong Kong**
Keyi Zhang, *The University of Hong Kong*
3. **Reframing The Feminist Transnational: The Reception Of Ueno Chizuko By Activists And Public Discourse In China**
FNU Dulan, *The University of Tokyo*

Discussant

Tomoko Ako, *The University of Tokyo*

ROUNDTABLE

A-11 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Regional Order Of South Asia And Its Interconnection With The Liberal International Order (LIO)

Chair

Saroj Kumar Aryal

Organizer

Saroj Aryal, *University of Warsaw*

Discussants

Patryk Kugiel, *University of Warsaw*
 Jakub Zajackowski, *University of Warsaw*
 Saroj Kumar Aryal, *University of Warsaw*
 Tomasz Lukaszuk, *University of Warsaw*

ROUNDTABLE

A-1 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Reimagining Malaysia's Creative Industries: Digital Pathways, Heritage Preservation And Cultural Production

Chair

Mayco Santaella, *Sunway University*

Organizer

Mayco Santaella, *Sunway University*

Discussants

Patricia Hardwick, *Sunway University*

Ali Alasri, *Sunway University*

Gaik Khoo, *Sunway University*

ROUNDTABLE

A-13 / MCB Auditorium **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Research For And With People: The Ethics And Rigors Of Extra-Textual Scholarship

Chair

Ammara Maqsood

Organizer

Aniket Aga, *State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo*

Discussants

Chitrangada Choudhury, *University of Zurich*

Bramsh Khan, *Syracuse University & Mir Chakar Khan Rind University*

Fizzah Sajjad, *Mahbub ul Haq Research Center, LUMS & London School of Economics & Political Science*

Aniket Aga, *State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo*

ROUNDTABLE

SAHSOL 1-02 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Restructuring Of Public Spaces In Kathmandu

Chair

Amit Gautam, *Social Science Baha*

Organizer

Amit Gautam, *Social Science Baha*

Discussants

Ajaya Subedi, *Social Science Baha*

Apurwa Baral, *University of Nepal*

Sajin Bikram Kunwar, *Tribhuvan University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-01 **3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
Ships, Schools, And Studios: South-South Infrastructures Between China And Tropical Asia, 1940S-1960S

Chair

Nianshen Song

Organizers

Yin CAO, *Peking University*

Yu YAN, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

Presentations

1. Revolutionizing The Return: The Xinglong Overseas Chinese Farm And The Creation Of The PRC's Rubber Knowledge
Tom Yiyun Guan, *Yale University*

2. Turn Of The Tide: Malayan Self-Determination, South Asia, And The Oceanic Frame
Muhammad Suhail Mohamed Yazid, *Harvard University*

3. Entangled Exigencies: Chinese Intellectuals In South Asia And Their Internal Fractures In The Mid-20Th Century
Yu Yan, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

4. The Last Hump: The Lahore Elementary Training School, The Chinese Civil War, And The Final Days Of The British Raj
Yin Cao, *Peking University*

Discussant

Ke Zhang, *Fudan University*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 106 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Studying Religion And Gender Justice In Pakistan

Chair

Kaja Borchgrevink, *Peace Research Institute Oslo*

Organizer

Kaja Borchgrevink, *Peace Research Institute Oslo*

Discussants

Abda Khalid, *COMSATS University (Abbottabad Campus)*Saad Ali Khan, *International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Erasmus University, Rotterdam*Jamil Akhtar, *Department of Urdu Encyclopaedia of Islam, University of the Punjab, Lahore*Amelia Fauzia, *Professor Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta State Islamic University*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 103 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Teaching Climate Otherwise: Decolonial And Ecological Approaches To Education In Asia

Chair

Saira Mahmood, *Government Elementary College of Education*

Organizers

Saira Mahmood, *Government Elementary College of Education*Yiran Ma, *University of Oxford*

Discussants

Zahra Ali, *Crops in Pots/ Learning Garden*Fozia Parveen, *Aga Khan University, Faculty of Arts and Science*Camilla Hadi Chaudhary, *University of Cambridge*Olga Mun, *University of Oxford*Amelia Farber, *University of Oxford*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 106 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Visual Anthropology And Cultural Memory: Exploring Climate Change And Gendered Narratives In The Indus Valley's Cholistan Desert

Chair

Kinza Zainab

Organizer

Kinza Zainab, *University of Lahore*

Discussants

Maliha Ameen, *University of Lahore*Sheikh Abdul Raheem, *University of Lahore*Shakeel Mumtaz, *University of Lahore*

ROUNDTABLE

A-15 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Ways To Write A Cross-Border History Of Mughal Architecture

Chair

Mehreen Chida-Razvi

Organizer

Srinanda Ganguly, *University of Illinois Urbana Champaign*

Discussants

Mehreen Chida-Razvi, *SOAS, University of London*Parshati Dutta, *University of York*Jahanara Saigol, *Independent*Zahra Shah, *University of Bristol*Srinanda Ganguly, *University of Illinois Urbana Champaign*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 101 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Who Pays To Do Culture? Cultural Labor And The Hidden Political Economy Of Tourism

Chair

Vilashini Padawangi

Organizers

Vilashini Somiah, *Universiti Malaya*Rita Padawangi, *Singapore University of Social Sciences*

Discussants

Trixie Marjorie Tangit, *Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS)*Komson Teeraparbong, *Chiang Mai University*Ni Made Utami Dwipayanti, *Universitas Udayana*Tania Maria Tangit, *Universiti Teknologi MARA*

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm *Endangered Imprints and Maharaja Ranjit Singh's Toshakhana: Material Splendor of 19th Century Punjab Exhibition Launch — A-10*

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm *Opening Ceremony and Keynote*

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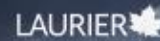


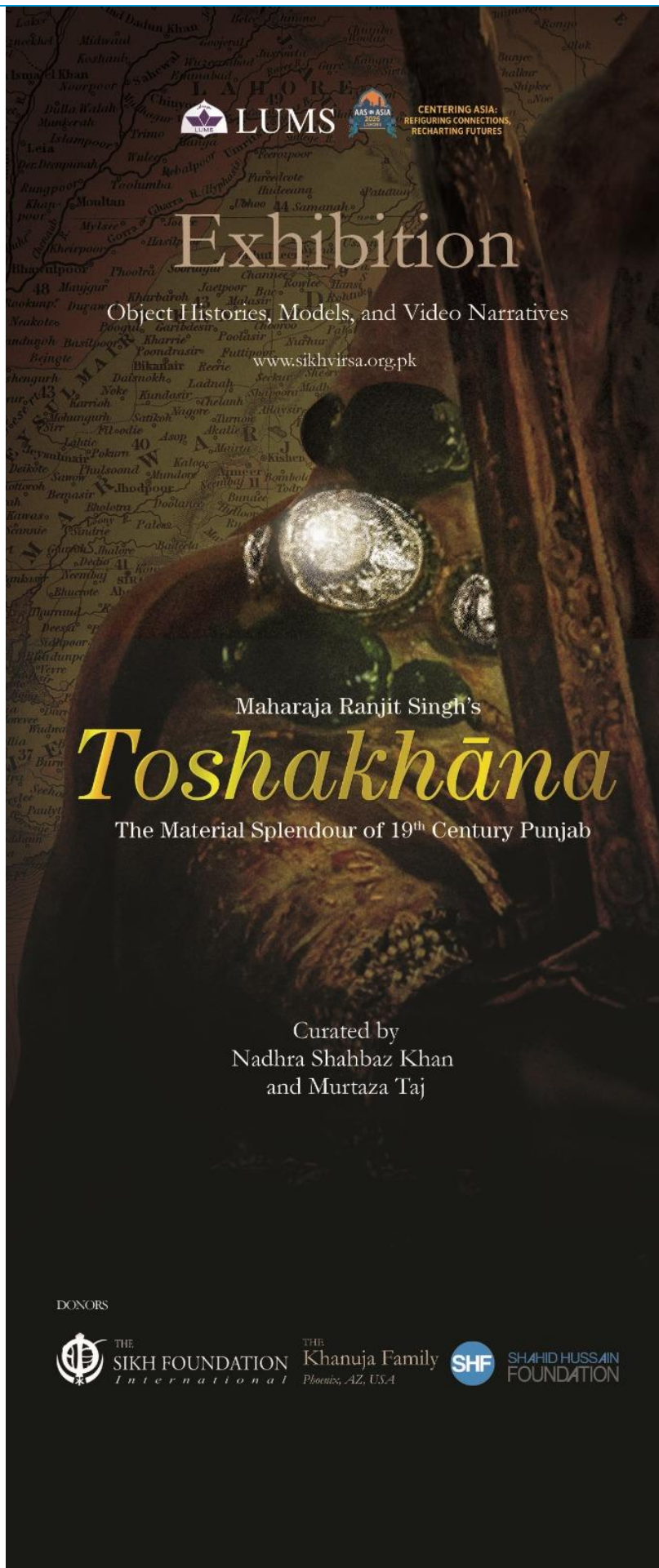
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SATURDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2026

8:00 am - 5:00 pm Registration

8:30 am - 10:00 am

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ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 104 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Africa In Global Asia

Chair

David Ludden, New York University

Organizer

David Ludden, New York University

Discussants

Shobana Shankar, Stony Brook University

Krishnendu Ray, New York University

Ethirajan Dattatreyan, New York University

Meera Venkatachalam, University of Mumbai

Rashmi Devi, NYU Abu Dhabi

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ROUNDTABLE

A-2 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Beyond Analogy: Citing Blackness In Asia

Chair

Patricia Sauthoff

Organizer

Zifeng Liu, Hong Kong Baptist University

Discussants

Daniel Elam, The University of Hong Kong

Selina Lai-Henderson, Duke Kunshan University

Zifeng Liu, Hong Kong Baptist University

Soo Ryon Yoon, Sungkonghoe University

Emily Chow-Quesada, Hong Kong Baptist University

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ROUNDTABLE

SAHSOL 0-02 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Book Forum: Parting Gifts Of Empire By Esmat Elhalaby

Chair

Haider Shahbaz, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)

Organizer

Haider Shahbaz, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)

Discussants

Suleiman Hodali, Stanford University

Sara Hussein, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)

Sara Kazmi, University of Pennsylvania

Ali Raza, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)

Esmat Elhalaby, University of Toronto

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ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 303 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Book Roundtable: In Search Of Chand Bibi: Gender Sovereignty And Islam In Premodern South Asia

Chair

Sarah Waheed, University of South Carolina

Organizer

Sarah Waheed, University of South Carolina

Discussants

Shayan Rajani, Michigan State University

Saman Malik, Lahore University Management Sciences (LUMS)

Sunil Sharma, Boston University

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-07

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Boundaries Of Rule: Marked Categories And State Practices Of Othering

Chair

Sadaf Aziz

Organizers

Salman Hussain, *Miami University*

Sonia Qadir, *University of New South Wales, Australia*

Presentations

1. Persecution Of The Ahmadiyya: Mechanisms Of Minoritization In Pakistan

Faaria Khan, *Mushtaq Ahmad Gurmani School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan*

2. Sex Workers' Rights In Pakistan: A Socio-Legal Study

Muhammad Azeem, *Sheikh Ahmad Hasan School of Law, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan.*

3. Race, Gender, And Migrant Labor In The Persian Gulf

Salman Hussain, *Miami University, USA*

4. The Grid Of Indefinite Disruption: Criminalising Pashtun Political Speech In Pakistan

Sonia Qadir, *University of New South Wales, Australia*

Discussant

Sadaf Aziz, *Dean, Shaikh Ahmad Hassan School of Law, LUMS*

PANEL

SDSB 305

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Breathing Trouble, Rising Waters: How Pollution And Floods Shape Education, Labor And Household Inequality

Chair

Rida Hameed, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Organizers

Rida Hameed, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Syeda Warda Riaz, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Presentations

1. Up In Smoke: Educational Toll Of Air Pollution

Maheen Javaid, *George Washington University*

2. Siblings In The Storm: Flood Shocks And Intra-Household Inequality

Rida Hameed, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

3. 2. Siblings In The Storm: Flood Shocks And Intra-Household Inequality

Syeda Warda Riaz, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

4. Dirty Air, Shifting Roles: The Gendered Effects Of Pollution Exposure

Aina Puig, *Pace University*

Discussants

Rida Hameed, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Aina Puig, *Pace University*

ROUNDTABLE

A-4

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Creating Islands Of Happiness, Marginalising The Masses: The Death Of Cities As Engines Of Economic And Social Change

Chair

Muhammad Safeer, *National University of Modern Languages Islamabad*

Organizer

Muhammad Safeer, *National University of Modern Languages Islamabad*

Discussants

Muhammad Safeer, *National University of Modern Languages Islamabad*

Husnul Amin, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad*

Abdul Wahid, *National University of Modern Languages Islamabad*

Asghar Naeem, *Federal Government Employees Housing Authority Islamabad*

Nayab Murad, *Government Girls Degree College Marghuz, Swabi*

ROUNDTABLE

SAHSOL 1-01

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Critical Reflections On The Future Of The Archived Past In Southeast Asia

Chair

Richard Fox, *University of Victoria, Canada*

Organizers

Verena Meyer, *Leiden University, Netherlands*

Richard Fox, *University of Victoria, Canada*

Discussants

Verena Meyer, *Leiden University, Netherlands*

Annabel Gallop, *British Library, UK*

Iik Idayanti, *Lancang Kuning University Pekanbaru, Indonesia*

Kisho Tsuchiya, *Kyoto University, Japan*

Richard Fox, *University of Victoria, Canada*

PANEL

SAHSOL 2-07

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Drying Landscapes In Postcolonial South Asia: Water, Territory, And Nation-Building

Chair

Farhan Karim, *Arizona State University*

Organizer

Farhan Karim, *Arizona State University*

Presentations

1. **Infrastructures Of Salinity: Postcolonial Pakistan, Humanitarian Aid And SCARP**
Priyanka Sen, *Cornell University*
2. **Planning From The Periphery: Brokerage, Dispossession, And Urban Expansion In Dhaka, Bangladesh**
Mushahid Hussain, *Trinity College*

Discussant

Farhan Karim, *Arizona State University*

PANEL

A-2

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Ecologies Of Inheritance: Intellectual Lineages And World-Making In Muslim Asia

Chair

Mariam Nadeem, *The University of Oregon*

Organizer

Alizeh Ahmad, *Emory University*

Presentations

1. **The Verifiers' Code: Intimacy And Exchange In The Intellectual Networks Of Mughal North India**
S. Shiraz Ali, *University of California, Berkeley*
2. **Commentary, Lineage, And The Construction Of Literary Tradition In South Asia**
Hasan Hameed, *Princeton University*
3. **Translating Traditions: Benjamin, Iqbal, And The Afterlives Of Goethe's West-östlicher Divan**
Mariam Nadeem, *The University of Oregon*
4. **Entering A House Of Thought: Memory And Transnational Inheritance In Modern Muslim Intellectual Life**
Alizeh Ahmad, *Emory University*

Discussant

Abhishek Kaicker, *University of California, Berkeley*

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-02

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Gendered Ecologies And Islamic Ethical Futures: Feminist, Environmental, And Decolonial Interventions In Indonesia

Chair

Ahmad Afnan Anshori

Organizer

Nor Ismah, *Asia Research Institute National University of Singapore*

Presentations

- 1. Negotiating Female Religious Authority: Eco-Fatwa Against Disposable Sanitary Pads And Climate Awareness In Pesantren**
Zaimatus Sa'diyah, *Sunan Kudus State Islamic University*
- 2. Green Ijtihad: A Framework For Feminist Islamic Environmental Thought**
Nor Ismah, *Asia Research Institute National University of Singapore*
- 3. Reconnecting Faith And Sustainability: Integrating Islamic Eco-Theology In Environmental Education For Madrasah And Pesantren In Indonesia**
Ulfah Muhayani, *Maulana Malik Ibrahim State Islamic University*
- 4. Borneo's Coal And Sumatra's Flood: How Global Neoliberal Extractivist Forest Economy Creates Disaster And Gender Vulnerabilities In Indonesia**
Yuyun Sriwahyuni, *Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta*
- 5. Extractive Masculinities, Silenced Natures: Rethinking Environmental Ethics In Indonesia's Anthropocene**
Yulianingsih Riswan, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*

Discussant

David Kloos, *KITLV / Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 103

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Heritage Led Resilient Buildings

Chair

Maira Khan, *Commonwealth Association of architects*

Organizers

Maira Khan, *Commonwealth Association of architects*

Umar Saeed, *Commonwealth Association of Architects*

Discussants

Mina Hasman, *Commonwealth Association of Architects*

Kalim Siddiqui, *Commonwealth Association of Architects*

Yasmin Lari Lari, *Heritage foundation*

90 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****SDSB 204****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Heroes And Villains: Telling The Good Stories Of Inner Mongolia****Chair****Anne-Sophie Pratte****Organizer****Peng Hai, University of Pittsburgh****Presentations**

1. **Between Bandit And Hero: The Missing Manchukuo Years Of The Gada Meiren Epic**
Peng Hai, University of Pittsburgh
2. **The Birth Of A Mongolian Heroine In Wartime Film**
Miwa Shimada, Keio University (Japan)
3. **Li Shouxin And Naturalized Mongols Between Sinophone And Xenophone**
Jianing Tuo, Sichuan University
4. **“A Single-Blade Mission”: The Construction Of Ulaanhuu’s Heroic Image During The Post-1945 Scramble For Inner Mongolia**
Anran Wang, Korea University

Discussant**Anne-Sophie Pratte, Georgetown University in Qatar****113 East and Inner Asia****PANEL****SDSB 102****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Iconographies Of Identity: Gender, Queerness, And Narrative In Contemporary Culture****Chair****Yushang Ni, University of Hong Kong****Organizers****Yushang Ni, University of Hong Kong****Xinyao Li, Columbia University****Presentations**

1. **(Un)Queering The Superstar: Death Of Leslie Cheung**
Qiyu Xu, University of Hong Kong
2. **Cartographies Of Cross-Strait Affect: Remapping Queerness In The Chinese Fandom Of Taiwanese Singer-Songwriter Anpu Chiao**
Xinyao Li, Columbia University
3. **The Gendered Idiom Of Witness: Trauma And Resistance In Contemporary Asian American Women’s Graphic Memoir**
Yushang Ni, University of Hong Kong

Discussants**USHA CHANDRAN, Jawaharlal Nehru University****Hafsa Arain, Massachusetts Institute of Technology****338 Inter-Area/Border Crossing****PANEL****SAHSOL 1-06****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Illicit Economies In Southeast Asia’s Borderlands: Knowledge, Extraction, And Digital Platforms****Chair****Peng Xu, SOAS University of London****Organizer****Masao Imamura, Yamagata University****Presentations**

1. **Known Unknowns In Myanmar’s Borderlands**
Masao Imamura, Yamagata University
2. **Moral Economies Of Illicit Platforms: Trust And Persistence In Southeast Asia’s Scam Industry**
Peng Xu, SOAS University of London
3. **The Social Lives Of Rare Earths In The Burma-China Borderlands**
Laur Kiik, Academia Sinica, Taiwan
4. **“Bullet-Proof And Bomb-Proof” Amidst The Civil War: Scam Cities In The Myanmar-Thailand Borderlands**
Kota Watanabe, Cornell University

160 South Asia**ROUNDTABLE****A-12****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Imagining Futures: Historians And Their Archive****Chair****Aparna Vaidik, Ashoka University****Organizers****Aparna Vaidik, Ashoka University****Ali Usman Qasmi, LUMS, Lahore****Discussants****Aparna Vaidik, Ashoka University****Ali Usman Qasmi, LUMS, Lahore****Anushay Malik, Simon Fraser University****Kamran Asdar Ali, University of Texas at Austin****Poornima Paidipaty, King's College, London**

PANEL

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Infrastructures Of Mobility: Environment, Empire, And The Making Of Modern Southeast Asian Spaces**Chair****Shaw Herng Huang****Organizers****Saka Kunhan Lee**, *University of Malaya***Randy Xu Zhe Ho**, *University of Malaya***Presentations**

- 1. Sports, Families, Dreams In Colonial Time: Ordinary People In Malayan Railway Towns**
Randy Xu Zhe Ho, *Department of History, University of Malaya*
- 2. Countering The Current: Thailand's Strategic Adaptation To China's Hydro-Hegemony In The Mekong**
Yi-Chin Tsai, *Institute of International Politics, National Chung Hsing University*
- 3. RSEA's Highway Project In Thailand (1966-74)**
Zackary Zong-Kun Chang, *Institute of Social Research and Cultural Studies, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University*
- 4. Actors Beyond Empire: Bugis Mobility And The Making Of Modern Maritime Orders In Southeast Asia**
Saka Kunhan Lee, *Department of History, University of Malaya*

Discussant**Lawrence Zi-Qiao Yang**, *Institute of Social Research and Cultural Studies, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University*

PANEL

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Multiple Homes, Multiple Others: Shifting Positionality In Ethnographic Research**Chair****Naohiko Imajo**, *Tokyo University of Science, Department of International Design Management, School of Management***Organizer****Naohiko Imajo**, *Tokyo University of Science, Department of International Design Management, School of Management***Presentations**

- 1. Feeling Awkward: Fieldwork Experiences In Pakistan**
Erika Kagawa, *Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies*
- 2. Negotiating Belonging And Responsibility: Affective Dimensions Of Shifting Positionality In Ethnographic Research**
Büşra Kuplay, *University of Zurich, Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies, Japanese Studies*
- 3. Coming Home, Becoming A Stranger: Unfamiliar Presences And Ethnographic Knowledge**
Ting-Wei Lin, *Tokyo University of Foreign Studies*
- 4. Going "Viral" In The Field: An Observer Observed In The Age Of Social Media**
Naohiko Imajo, *Tokyo University of Science, Department of International Design Management, School of Management*

Discussant**Faiza Muhammad Din**, *Humboldt University of Berlin, the Department of South Asian Studies*

28 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****A-5 8:30 am - 10:00 am****Nationalist Imaginaries Of Mao's China: Visualizing Xinjiang, Staging Pakistan, Mapping Diaoyu Islands****Chair****Muyun Zhou**, *Asian Studies & Comparative Literature, The Pennsylvania State University***Organizers****Jin Wang**, *Art History, CUNY Graduate Center***Yue Wu**, *East Asian Languages and Cultures, Stanford University***Presentations**

- 1. Peripheral Aesthetics Of Xinjiang And Socialist Realism In Maoist China**
Jin Wang, *Art History, CUNY Graduate Center*
- 2. Staging Pakistan In Maoist China: From Photo Con To Mango Cult**
Yue Wu, *Stanford University*
- 3. Maoist Encounters: Reconceiving The Baodiao Movement Through Panthers And Print Culture**
Muyun Zhou, *Asian Studies & Comparative Literature, The Pennsylvania State University*

337 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Orders Across Borders In Narrative And Doctrine****Chair****Jim Zhou****Organizer****Xing Hao Wang**, *National and Kapodistrian University of Athens***Presentations**

- 1. From "Mokṣadeva" To "Tang Monk": Buddhist Universalism, Tianxia, And The Transformation Of Xuanzang**
Xing Hao Wang, *National and Kapodistrian University of Athens*
- 2. Śāstra On Stage In Viśākhaḍḍatta's Mudrārākṣasa**
Teo Ruskov, *University of Chicago*
- 3. Debate As A Source Of Realism: The Interplay Between Text And Practice In Contemporary Gelug Epistemology**
Taryn Sue, *University of Chicago*
- 4. Dying Words, Living Traditions: The Productive Tensions Of The MahāParinibbāna-Sutta**
Kevin Poe, *University of California, Santa Barbara*
- 5. Language Mixture In Kerala: An Analysis Of The LiLāTilakam, A Poetic-Grammatical Treatise From Premodern Kerala**
Rohini Menon, *Independent researcher*

Discussant**Andrew Ollett**, *University of Chicago***202 South Asia****ROUNDTABLE****A-10 8:30 am - 10:00 am****Pakistan Beyond The Nation-State: A Kachahri On Federation, Region, And Diaspora****Chair****Nosheen Ali****Organizers****Bassam Sidiki**, *University of Texas at Austin***Abdul Haque Chang**, *Institute of Business Administration***Discussants****Natasha Raheja**, *Cornell University***Shahal Khoso**, *University of Pompeu Fabra***Mahvish Ahmad**, *London School of Economics***Sara Kazmi**, *University of Pennsylvania***Nosheen Ali**, *Gallatin School at New York University***120 Inter-Area/Border Crossing****PANEL****8:30 am - 10:00 am****SDSB 205 Political Theories Of Empire: New Perspectives From Asia****Chair****Aupama Rao****Organizers****Leigh Jenco**, *London School of Economics***Humeira Iqtidar**, *King's College London***Presentations**

- 1. Chinese Colonialism In Theory And Practice: A Comparative Perspective**
Leigh Jenco, *LSE*
- 2. The Colonialism Of Anticolonial Thought**
Humeira Iqtidar, *King's College London*
- 3. Vietnamese Colonialism**
Kevin Pham, *Leiden University*
- 4. Ethnic Identity And The Consolidation Of Imperial Power In The Great Khitan Empire**
Shu-Fang Shen, *National Museum of Taiwan*

PANEL

SDSB 105

8:30 am - 10:00 am

**Precarity And Resilience On The Fringes Of Citizenship:
Christians And Dalits In South Asia**

Chair

Bina D'Costa, *The Australian National University*

Organizer

Chad Haines, *Arizona State University*

Presentations

- 1. Christians And Punjabiyyat: The Marginalized As Carriers Of Culture**
Charles Ramsey, *Baylor University*
- 2. Caste, Constitution And Christianity In Pakistan**
Asif Aqeel, *Center for Law & Justice*
- 3. Placing Precarious Citizenship: Youhanabad And Christian Belonging In Pakistan**
Chad Haines, *Arizona State University*
- 4. Beyond Minority Rights: What Is Precarity For Dalits And Christians In South Asia?**
Bina D'Costa, *The Australian National University*
- 5. Beyond Minority Rights: What Is Precarity For Dalits And Christians In South Asia?**
Ashwini KP, *United Nations Human Rights*

PANEL

A-7

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Re-Centering Silenced Coloniality, Polity, And Violence In Asia

Chair

Daungyewa Utarasint, *New York University Abu Dhabi*

Organizer

Budi Hernawan, *Driyarkara School of Philosophy*

Presentations

- 1. Militarized Mobility And Silenced Harm: Israeli Reserve Soldiers In Thai Tourism Spaces**
Daungyewa Utarasint, *New York University Abu Dhabi*
- 2. Silencing Memory And Revolt Of The Postcolony Of West Papua And Patani**
Budi Hernawan, *Driyarkara School of Philosophy*
- 3. They May Enclose Our Lands, But They Will Not Enclose Our Minds: On The Coloniality Of Development And Being Of The Mah Meri People Of Carey Island, Malaysia**
Wen Di Sia, *Gerimis Art*
- 4. Piractical Headhunters As Look Like Malay And Chinese: Creating The Abject Other Natives In The Mat Salleh Rebellions (1894-1905)**
Yvonne Tan, *University of Warwick*

PANEL

SDSB 304 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Reimagining Literature In The Age Of Cyberecology Across Asian Ecological Landscape

Chair

Dr.Syrrina Ahsan Ali Haque, *Kinnaird College for Women*

Organizer

Dr.Syrrina Ahsan Ali Haque, *Kinnaird College for Women*

Presentations

1. Garboglomerate Iconography: Exploring Dey's Garbocratic Urban Ecologies In Awais Khan's In The Company Of Strangers
Nosheen Yousaf, *Government College University Faisalabad*
2. Capitalist Slow Violence: A Precursor Of Ecological Erosion In Geo-Political Landscapes In Syrrina Haque's Sand In The Castle: A Collection Of Short Stories
Zunera Bukhari, *Government Islamia Graduate College for Women Cooper Road Lahore*
3. Revisiting The Bridges Of Eco Sensibility In Bapsi Sidhwa's The Bride
Syeda Memoona Ali, *Forman Christian College Chartered University*
4. Spiritual Awakening As A Corollary Of Peregrination Leading To Ecopsychological Identity In Tiziana Stupia's Meeting Shiva: Rising And Falling In Love In The Indian Himalayas
Serene Angel Sohail, *Kinnaird College for Women*
5. Storied Matters And Poetic Landscapes: A Material Ecocritical Exploration Of Majeed Amjad's Selected Poems
Ghulam Fatima, *Hailey College of Banking and Finance*

Discussant

Mamoona Anwar, *Lahore School of Economics*

PANEL

SDSB 103 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Rewriting Postcolonial South Asia: Women's Histories, Women's Futures: Part II

Chair

Elora Shehabuddin

Organizer

Yasmin Saikia, *Arizona State University*

Presentations

1. Between Law And Legitimacy: The Arc Of Feminist Resistance In Pakistan
Afiya Shehrbano Zia, *Independent Scholar*
2. Entertainment Interruptus: Films Division Of India's Messaging On Family Planning, Population Control, And Happiness In The 1980S
Sanjam Ahluwalia, *Northern Arizona University*
3. Women In Radio: Sonic Histories And Postcolonial Listening In Bengal
Mahruba Mowtushi, *BRAC University*
4. "I Am That Crack In The Wall": Feminist Politics Against Borders
Poorna Swami, *Harvard University*
5. "Rape Is Political": Sexual Violence In The Work Of Bangladeshi Artist
Melia Belli Bose, *University of Victoria*

ROUNDTABLE

A-11 8:30 am - 10:00 am

The Ethics And Aesthetics Of Ugliness In Pakistan

Chair

Mehak Khan

Organizer

Salwa Tareen, *Institute of Cultural Anthropology and Developmental Sociology, Leiden University*

Discussants

Salwa Tareen, *Institute of Cultural Anthropology and Developmental Sociology, Leiden University*
 Mehak Khan, *Department of English, University of Notre Dame*
 Omer Aijazi, *Critical Disaster Studies, University of Manchester*
 Palvashay Sethi, *Department of Social Sciences and Liberal Arts, Institute of Business Administration (IBA) Karachi*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 301 8:30 am - 10:00 am

The Future Of Water In Asia: A Multi-Disciplinary Approach To Considering The Greatest Planetary Health Challenge

Chair

Muhammad Kamal Khan

Organizers

Mujahid Torwali, *The University of Sydney*
 Jakelin Troy, *The University of Sydney*

Discussants

Janelle Evans, *Melbourne University*
 Shahbaz Khan, *Quaid e Azam University Islamabad*
 Mehreen Mustafa, *National College of Arts*
 John Davies, *The University of Glasgow*
 Ophira Gamliel, *The University of Glasgow*

349 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**ROUNDTABLE****SDSB 201****8:30 am - 10:00 am****"The Soft Power Of Asian Region. Global Influence Of Asian Pop Culture In Latin America: Case Of Mexico "****Chair****Alan Joel Bojorquez****Organizer****Juan Enrique Orozco, Universidad de Guadalajara****Discussants****Diana Tlapalpan, Universidad de Guadalajara****Martha Vergara, Universidad de Guadalajara****Rosario Rios, Universidad de Guanajuato****Esmeralda Nayeli Ramirez, Universidad de Guadalajara****49 Inter-Area/Border Crossing****PANEL****SDSB 203****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Translating Modernities: Language, Selfhood, And Literary Futures In Asia****Chair****Duncan McCargo****Organizer****Shubham Gupta, Ashoka University****Presentations****1. Agyeya's Double Tongue: Translation And The Making Of A Modern Vernacular****Shubham Gupta, Ashoka University****2. From Tradition To Modernity: Urdu As A Vehicle Of Islamic Reform And Intellectual Renewal****Muhamamd Usman, University of Heidelberg****3. Self-Translation And Legal Voice In Hong Kong's Bilingual Jurisprudence****Uganda Kwan, Nanyang Technological University****123 Northeast Asia****PANEL****A-1****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Unmaking Work, Kinship, And The Self: Gender And Labor In Contemporary Japanese Fiction****Chair****Stephen Choi, Shirayuri University****Organizer****Edwin Michielsen, The University of Hong Kong****Presentations****1. Hitchhiking Through Utopia With An Overworked AI-Android In Nozaki Mado's Titan****Edwin Michielsen, The University of Hong Kong****2. Deconstructing Child-Birth: Radical (Re)Imaginations Of Procreation In Murata Sayaka's Works****Stephen Choi, Shirayuri University****3. The Feminist Fairytale: Akasaka Mari's Vibrator****George Sipos, West University of Timișoara****53 South Asia****ROUNDTABLE****A-9****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Unpacking Connector Roles In Healthcare: Ethnographic Illustrations From South Asia And The UK****Chair****Nikita Simpson****Organizer****Priya Sajjad, SOAS University of London****Discussants****Ayaz Qureshi, University of Edinburgh****Jeevan Sharma, University of Edinburgh****Maya Kamath, Appally; The London School of Economics and Political Science****Uswah Fatima, Sciences Po****Jasmine Kalha, Centre for Mental Health Law & Policy**

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-06

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Vernacularising The Body In Colonial India: The Gendered Subjectivities Of Health In Urdu And Punjabi Sources, C.1890S-1930S.

Chair

Sarah Pinto

Organizers

Mobeen Hussain, *University of York*Arooj Alam, *Tufts University*

Presentations

1. Making Sense Of 'Auroton Ki AmrāZ' (Women's Diseases): Urdu Health Literature In Early Twentieth Century India.
Mobeen Hussain, *University of York*
2. Muslim Hakima And Unani Tibb In Late Nineteenth Century Colonial India.
Arooj Alam, *Tufts University*
3. Between Ayurveda And Vaidak: How To Be A Man In Punjabi C. 1898-1948
Nikita Arora, *University of Oxford*

Discussant

Sarah Pinto, *Tufts University*

PANEL

SDSB 101

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Visual Culture Of The Japanese Empire: Coercion, Collaboration, And Resistance

Chair

Kimihiro Nakamura, *The University of Osaka*

Organizer

Kimihiro Nakamura, *The University of Osaka*

Presentations

1. Between Mass Production And Individual Interpretation In Imperial Japan: Creating Images Of Sayon In Wartime Colonial Taiwan
Chinghsin Wu, *Rutgers University-Camden*
2. Communications And Confrontations: Art Exhibitions In Colonial Manchuria
Gloria Yu Yang, *Kyushu University*
3. YōGa, Women, And Racialized Power In The Japanese Empire
Minjong Shin, *Hankuk University of Foreign Studies*
4. Inokuma Gen'ichirō Between Nonconformist Artistic Practice And State-Sponsorship
Kimihiro Nakamura, *The University of Osaka*

Discussant

Stephanie Su, *University of Colorado Boulder*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 106

8:30 am - 10:00 am

What Futures For Knowledge Production On Migration In Asia?

Chair

Yunas Samad, *University of Bradford & LUMS*

Organizer

Yunas Samad, *University of Bradford & LUMS*

Discussants

Ahmet Icduygu, *Department of International Relations, Koç University, Turkey*Yunas Samad, *University of Bradford*Amin Moghadam, *Toronto Metropolitan University*Karen Liao, *University of Newcastle, Australia*Ceri Oeppen, *University of Sussex*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-01

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Women Of Bengal In The Fore And Aft: Narratives Of Struggle

Chair

Firdous Azim

Organizers

Sabiha Huq, *BRAC University*Nahid Afrose Kabir, *BRAC University*

Presentations

1. Rokeya's Message Of Education And Empowerment: Lessons For Bangladeshi Women, 1905-2025
Nahid Afrose Kabir, *BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh*
2. Archipelagos Of Hope And The Refugee Women: Saga Of Making Homes In A 'Promised-Land'
Anindita Ghoshal, *Diamond Harbour Women's University, West Bengal, India*
3. In Retrospection: Being A Minority Hindu Woman During 1971 Liberation War Of Bangladesh
Sabreena Ahmed, *BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh*
4. Women Writers In Bangladesh: A Trajectory Of Marginalisation
Sabiha Huq, *BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh*

227 South Asia ROUNDTABLE SDSB 101 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Beyond Decarbonization: Politics Of Energy Transition And Gender Justice In Sindh Chair Uswa Ali Memon, Center For Social Innovation in Developing Countries Organizers Muneeb Naveed Khan, Center For Social Innovation in Developing Countries Uswa Ali Memon, Center For Social Innovation in Developing Countries Discussants Khalida Parveen, Sindh Energy Justice Alliance Maha Kamal, Consultant at Oxford Policy Management and the Co-Chair at Women in Energy Pakistan Place Holder, Placeholder Noorulain Masood, CEO/Founder of the Center For Social Innovation in Developing Countries Eisha Jawaid, Alternative Law Collective	212 South Asia PANEL A-12 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Beyond The Center And The Periphery: Research On Islam In South Asia Chair Sana Haroon Organizer Sana Jamal, Yale University Presentations 1. Persian In The Punjabi World: Sufism, Nationalism And Punjabi Translations In The Early 20Th Century Fatima Afzal, University of British Columbia 2. Indo-Persian Poetics And The Hermeneutics Of Ambiguity Ilma Qureshi, University of Virginia 3. Beyond 1979: Centering South Asia In The Study Of Shi'ism Sana Rizvi, University of Pennsylvania 4. Measures, Quantities And Times: ShāH Walī Allah On The Purposes Behind Parts Of Worship Sana Jamal, Yale University 5. Writing A History Of South Asian Ulama For Arab Lands: An Analysis Of Ghulām ĀZād Bilgrāmī'S SubḥAt Al-MarjāN Shaheer Ahmed, Emory University
118 Inter-Area/Border Crossing ROUNDTABLE SDSB 301 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Beyond The Curative Normal: Iconoclash And Heritage Otherwise In Asia Chair Rebecca Sauer, University of Zurich Organizers Rebecca Sauer, University of Zurich Vera Lazzaretti, CRIA / ISCTE (Portugal) Discussants Vera Lazzaretti, CRIA / ISCTE (Portugal) Laurent Glatli, CESA (France) Amen Jaffer, LUMS (Pakistan) Jayeon Choe O'Regan, Glasgow Caledonian University (UK) Stefanie Lotter, SOAS (UK)	280 Inter-Area/Border Crossing PANEL SDSB 304 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Borderland Communities As An Actor, Not Arenas Chair Wasif Azim, Forman Christian College University Lahore Organizers Fazal Wahab, Australian National University Shahid Kamal, Forman Christian College University Lahore Presentations 1. 1.1 Violent Conflicts, Identities (Ethnic And National) And The Challenges For Multi-Ethnic States: The Case Of Pakistan Wasif Azim, Forman Christian College University Lahore 2. 1.2 Border Communities As Actors, Not Arenas: Rethinking Securitization And Local Agency In The Pakistan-Afghanistan Border Ilam Khan, Director Outreach Research Centre for Regional Policy and Dialogue (CRPD) 3. 1.3 Borders In Transition: State, Mobility, And Everyday Economy Of Bajaur At The Pakistan-Afghanistan Borderland Shahid Kamal, Forman Christian College University Lahore 4. 1.4 Impacts Of Cross-Border Terrorism On Pakistan-Afghanistan Relations After The US Withdrawal Hashmat Khan, National Defense University Islamabad 5. Fazal.Wahab@Anu.Edu.Au Fazal Wahab, Australian National University Australia Discussant Zoya Khan, Quaid Azam University Islamabad

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 103 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Building The AI State: Sovereign AI, National Policy, And Regulatory Gaps In South Asia

Chair

Dr Sohail Munir, Chairman Pakistan Digital Authority

Organizer

Gulalai Khan, LUMS

Discussants

Ahmed Rajwana, Secretary AI, Government of Punjab

Arzak K Khan, Founder, I4C Center for AI and Human Rights, South Asia

Usman Khan, Director, Technology for People Initiative

Ahmed Shah, Global Sovereign AI practitioner, Deliverance AI UK

Emrys (online) Shoemaker, Senior researcher, Geneva Graduate Institute

PANEL

A-10 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Centering Pakistan In The Cold War(S): Religion, Culture, Politics

Chair

Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University

Organizer

Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University

Presentations

1. Can An Islamic State Be Modern? Wilfred Cantwell Smith And His Circles In Cold War Pakistan

Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University

2. Eqbal Ahmad's Place In Global Islamic Thought And Activism During The Cold War Period

Marcia Hermansen, Habib University

3. Animal Farm In Urdu: Cultural Diplomacy, Translation, And The Cold War In Pakistan

Khalid Hayat, International Islamic University, Islamabad

4. The Impact Of American Reader's Digest In Pakistan: A Cultural Cold War Reading Of Urdu Digest

Abid Masood, International Islamic University, Islamabad

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-01 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Connectivity, Power, And The Reframing Of Asian Regional Order: From Corridors To Counter-Narratives

Chair

Shalabh Chopra

Organizer

Ayesha Khan, NUML University, Islamabad

Presentations

1. Connectivity As Power: Rethinking Asian Multilateralism Beyond Institutional Assumptions

Dr. Ayesha Khan, NUML University, Islamabad

2. Connectivity As Geopolitical Power: Reframing Regional Influence In South Asia

Dr. Sundas Khizer, Sargodha University

3. Minilaterals Of Southeast Asia: Boon Or Bane For Regional Unity?

King Dranreb Barchita, University of the Philippines

4. Asian State Of Mind: Coexistence: Keys To Peace The World's Forgotten

Ryota Hiyane, Nanjing University, China

PANEL

A-16 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Decolonial Energies In Asia's Ecological Pasts, Presents, And Futures

Chair

Tajreen Midhat, Habib University

Organizer

Nudrat Kamal, University of Pennsylvania

Presentations

1. Multispecies Ecologies, Indigenous Knowledge And Desirable Asian Futures In Vandana Singh's Climate Fiction

Nudrat Kamal, University of Pennsylvania

2. Slow Burn: Heat Inequality And Temporal Zones In Karachi

Shanze Afzal, Carnegie Mellon University

3. Petrosavery: Pakistani Migration To The Middle East

Tajreen Midhat, Habib University

4. Cities Of Fear

Zuha Siddiqui, Habib University

ROUNDTABLE

A-4 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Embodied Beliefs: Food, Culture And Manifestations Across South Asia.

Chair

Nida Saeed, Lahore School of Economics

Organizer

Nida Saeed, Lahore School of Economics

Discussants

Mariyum Pervaiz, Mena Arts

Siobhan Lambert-Hurley, University of Sheffield

Mariam Zia, Lahore School of Economics

ROUNDTABLE

A-13 / MCB Auditorium 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Food And Faith For Cross-Border And Intra-National Dialogue

Chair

Ousman Sene

Organizer

Zainab Sattar, Lahore University of Management Sciences

Discussants

Zainab Sattar, Lahore University of Management Sciences

Ousman Sene, West African Research Center

Saman Ibrahim, Mir Chakar Khan Rind University

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 106 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

From Reserved Seats To Real Power? Women's Political Agency In Punjab

Chair

Muhammad Shoaib

Organizer

Ahmad Sabat, Bahauddin Zakariya University Multan, Pakistan

Discussants

Abdul Qadar, National University of Medical Sciences

Abdul Sattar, FAST-NU Lahore

Saqib Aziz, Bahauddin Zakariya University Multan, Pakistan

PANEL

A-8 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Grassroots Theories And Theoreticians In Contemporary China

Chair

Yang Zhan, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Organizer

Yukun Zeng, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

Presentations

1. "Preceding The Ritual And Music:" Grassroots Confucian Theories, Theory-Practice Relationship, And Intensive Moral Economy In Chinese Societies Since The 1990S
Yukun Zeng Zeng, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology
2. A Theory Of "De-Theorization": The "No-Debating-The-Canon" Discourse In Contemporary Grassroots Political Thoughts In Mainland China
Changmao Li, Minzu University of China
3. Theory Of The Mudfoot
Kang Kang, Northwestern University
4. Living The "Near Future": Jiangjiu As Folk Theory In China's Developmental Limbo
Yang Zhan, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Discussant

Xianxin Yuan, Tsinghua University

PANEL

Sayeed Saigol Auditorium 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Islamic Law, Religious Authority And The Governance Of The Muslim Family In South Asia

Chair

Muhammad Faisal Khalil, *University of Oxford*

Organizer

Justin Jones, *University of Oxford*

Presentations

1. Islamic Legal Reform In Colonial India: The Case Of The Minimum Marriage Age
Sohaira Siddiqui, *Georgetown University, Qatar Campus*
2. The Power Of The Wali: Questioning Marital Guardianship And Women's Autonomy In South Asian Islam
Justin Jones, *University of Oxford*
3. Hacking The Household: Clerical Actors, Documentary Checkpoints, And The Child In South Asia
Muhammad Faisal Khalil, *University of Oxford*
4. Rape, Evidence, And Reform: Classical Islamic Law And The Reinterpretations By AmīN AḥSan IṣLāḥī And JāVēD AḥMad GhāMidī
Asif Iftikhar, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 102 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Mapping Culinary Memory Across Borders: Transgenerational Foodways In Kathmandu And Lahore

Chair

Muhammad Numan

Organizers

Muhammad Numan Numan, *University of Management and Technology, Lahore*

Anurag Lamsal, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu*

Discussants

Samana Rai, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu*

Lamsal Anurag, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu*

Adeel Khalid, *Forman Christian College University, Lahore*

Siddiqua Iftikhar, *University of Management and Technology, Lahore*

PANEL

A-5 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Mapping Sustainable Dissent: Affect, Strategy, And The Shifting Terrain Of Feminist Mobilization In Pakistan's Aurat Marches

Chair

Shmyla Khan

Organizer

Rabia Kamal, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Presentations

1. Strategic Maneuvers: Women's Movements And Collective Power Amid Backlash
Aimen Bucha, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
2. Radical Folklore: Unpacking Indigenous Affect And Performance Art In Pakistan's Gender Movements
Maria Amir, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
3. The Challenges Of Feminist Organization Online- An Ethnographic Look At The Making And Unmaking Of Feminist Digital Counter publics In Pakistan
Rabia Kamal, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-07 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Navigating Asia: A Tech-Reflexive Perspective In The AI Era, Part 2

Chair

Miaotong Yuan, *Communication University of China*

Organizer

Miaotong Yuan, *Communication University of China*

Presentations

1. Between The Seen And The Heard: Censorship, National Image, And The Labor Of Lip Sync In Chinese Cinema—A Local Perspective On Power And Technology
Ze Gong, *Nanyang Technological University*
2. From “Hit Formula” To Creative Cycle: Algorithmic Recommendation And The Regulation Of Creative Patterns In Online Literature Adaptations—A Case Study Of Chinese Streaming Platforms
Jing Cai, *Communication University of China*
3. AI Music, Sound Literacy, And Student Cognition In China—A Sound Studies Perspective On AI Music Learning In Secondary Education
Manlin Wang, *Communication University of China*

Discussants

Francis Steen, *University of California, Los Angeles*

Yang Ding, *China Women's University*

PANEL

A-6 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Pakistani Anglophone Literature And Popular Culture At The Intersections Of Bio And Medical Humanities

Chair

Aroosa Kanwal, *Quaid-i-Azam University*

Organizer

Aroosa Kanwal, *Quaid-i-Azam University*

Presentations

1. Somatic, Urban And Cultural Pathologies: Reimagining Biosocial Trauma And Healing In Pakistani Speculative Fiction
Zafrah Khalid, *Air University, Kharian Campus*
2. Quantum Consciousness And Epigenetic Archive In Uzma Aslam Khan's The Miraculous True History Of Nomi Ali
Afaq Amin, *Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad*
3. The Role Of Mind And Body In The Reenactment Of Pariahisation In Usman T. Malik's Midnight Doorways
Arooj Abbas, *Quaid-i-Azam University*
4. The Subaltern Pharmacy: Biopiracy And Epistemic Resistance In Bina Shah's The Monsoon War
Mehran Anwar, *Bahria University, Islamabad*

Discussant

Aroosa Kanwal, *Quaid-i-Azam University*

PANEL

A-9 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

2. Piety, Pedagogy Or Aesthetic Production? Understanding The Significance Of Spiritual And Historical Spaces In A South Asian Context

Chair

Fawad Raza

Organizer

Nausheen Iftikhar, *Indiana University Bloomington, USA*

Presentations

1. Nurturing Equity Through Art: Dargahs And The Decolonial Framework
Nausheen Iftikhar, *Indiana University Bloomington, USA*
2. The Missing Link: Shrine As Pedagogical Muse And Conduit For The Production Of Living Heritage
Zeb Bilal, *Beaconhouse National University, Pakistan*
3. Exploring A Syncretic Imagination In Contemporary Pakistani Art
Zohreen Murtaza, *National College of Arts, Pakistan*

PANEL

A-11 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Poets, Saints, Lovers / Qissa, Kāfi, Ghazal: The Universalism Of Islamic Lyric And Cosmopolitan Ethics From Premodern South Asia To The Present

Chair

Anand Taneja, *Vanderbilt University*

Organizers

Hamza Iqbal, *Arizona State University*Taimoor Shahid, *University of Maryland at College Park*

Presentations

1. Urdu Ghazal Sha'iri In Contemporary India: An Islamic Language Of The Universal Self
Anand Taneja, *Vanderbilt University*
2. Caravan Cosmologies: Memory, Performativity And The Living Afterlives Of Madho Lal Hussain's Kaafian
Saleha Rauf, *Independent Scholar*
3. Love, Language, And Human Oneness: Cosmological Ethics And Anti-Identitarianism In The Punjabi Saif Al-Mulūk
Taimoor Shahid, *University of Maryland at College Park*
4. Jaun Elia And The Limits Of Popularity
Hamza Iqbal, *Arizona State University*

Discussants

Anand Taneja, *Vanderbilt University*Taimoor Shahid, *University of Maryland at College Park*

PANEL

SDSB 303 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Racism And Discrimination In Asia

Chair

Leigh Jenco

Organizers

Humeira Iqtidar, *King's College London*Maria Tirmizi, *King's College London*

Presentations

1. Is Caste: Race As Hierarchy: Inequality? Revisiting Debates In The Anthropology Of Caste
Anupama Rao, *Barnard, Columbia University. Dept. of History*
2. Erasing Race: Indian Sociology And The Eradication Of Tribal Difference, 1930S-1950S
Poornima Paidipaty, *King's College London, Dept. of Political Economy*
3. A Splendid Harvest? Wastelands, Race, And Property In Colonial Arakan
Vishnu Prasad, *London School of Economics, Dept. of Geography*
4. Racial Capitalism: Perspectives From Contemporary Grassroots Pakistani And American Movements
Maria Tirmizi, *King's College London, Dept. of Political Economy*

Discussant

Humeira Iqtidar, *King's College London*

PANEL

SDSB 201 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Recuperating Afro-Asian Connections In South Asia: Living Cultures, Marginalised Voices

Chair

Hafeez Ahmed Jamali, Balochistan Civil Services Academy, Quetta

Organizer

Hafeez Ahmed Jamali, Balochistan Civil Services Academy, Quetta

Presentations

1. Black, Sindhi-Balochi, And Sacred: The Formation Of Afro-Shedi Musical Traditions
Abdul Haque Chang, Institute of Business Administration (IBA), Karachi
2. Representing The Siddis: Interventions And Contestation In The Making Of Identity
George Jose, New York University at Abu Dhabi (NYU-AD), UAE
3. From Monsoon Trade To Steam And Telegraph: Colonial Infrastructures, Afro-Baloch Mobility, And The Making Of Karachi's Working Class In The 19Th Century
Hafeez Ahmed Jamali, Balochistan Civil Services Academy, Quetta
4. Struggles Of Sheedi Community For Recognition In Sindh, Pakistan
Isra Abdul Ghafoor, Independent Professional

Discussant

Engseng Ho, Duke University

ROUNDTABLE

A-3 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Reimagining Pakistan's Higher Education: Power, Policy, And Equity"

Chair

Arif Hussain

Organizer

Abid Ali, Govt. Post Graduate College, Gohati, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Discussants

Abid Ali, Govt Post Graduate college, Gohati Swabi, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
 Arif Hussain, Karakoram International University, Hunza Campus, Gilgit Baltistan
 Nazmeen Rani, Govt Degree College for Boys, Gahkuch, Ghizer

PANEL

SDSB 104 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

South Asian Humor: Contextual Negotiations Within And Beyond The Region

Chair

Dr Saleem Akhtar

Organizer

Nasar Iqbal, University of Narowal, Narowal, Pakistan

Presentations

1. Identity In The Shadow Of Internalized Stereotypes And South Asian Comedy: A Critical Study Of Reem Edan's Stand-Up Comedy
Nasar Iqbal, University of Narowal, Narowal, Pakistan
2. Negotiating Diaspora, Gender, And Religion In Pakistani Stand-Up Comedy: A Critical Study Of Kumail Nanjiani And Shazia Mirza
Abeera Shoukat, Riphah International University
3. The Comedic Mask And Pakistani Drama: Social And Patriarchal Critique Of Telefilm Bechara Dil
Hifsa Faiz, UON Narowal, Pakistan
4. Humor And Dialogue In Pakistani Comic TV Dramas: A Critical Of Fifty Fifty
Meerab Yaqoob, Heritage College Narowal, Pakistan

ROUNDTABLE

A-2 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

The Developing Eight (D-8) Economic Cooperation: Prospects, Challenges And Opportunities

Chair

Ahmed Khalid, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan

Organizer

Ahmed Khalid, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan

Discussants

Ali Hasanain, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan
 Rasool Rais, Quaid-e-Azam University, Pakistan
 Kabirul Islam, Ministry of Education, Bangladesh
 Ismail Aremu Muhammed, Universiti Brunei Darussalam

PANEL

SDSB 204 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
The Lahore Nexus: Exploring Intersections Of Culture, Politics And Global Connectivity

Chair

Sadia Kamran

Organizer

SADIA KAMRAN, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University) Lahore Pakistan*

Presentations

- 1. Reimagining The Globe: A Critical Examination Of The Lahore Literary Festival In New York As A Site Of Global Connectivity**
aiman iqbal, *Kinnaird College for Women University, LAHORE*
- 2. Cobbled Lahore Heritage: An Interexchange Of Material Culture, Khussa Craft, And Transcultural Design**
Dr Asmarah Ahmed, *Pakistan Institute of Fashion Design, Lahore, Pakistan*
- 3. Cultural Connectivity Through Uttara-Patha Till The GT Road**
Saba Samee, *Comsats University Lahore*
- 4. The Diplomacy Of Heritage: Lahore As A Site Of Soft Power Projection Of Asia**
Shireen Mushtaq, *Kinnaird College for Women University, Lahore*
- 5. Political Ideology And Censorship: From Lollywood And Bollywood To The Larger World**
Ahmed Bilal, *University of the Punjab*

Discussant

Sadia Kamran, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University) Lahore Pakistan*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 205 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
The Space Between Us: Ruminations On Knowing, Learning And Living

Chair

Shahnaz Rouse, *Sarah Lawrence College*

Organizer

Shahnaz Rouse, *Sarah Lawrence College*

Discussants

Saba Khattak, *Coordinator, Maraka Humanitarian Observatory, Peshawar University*
Huma Ahmad-Ghosh, *San Diego State University, Dept. of Women's Studies, Center of Islamic and Arabic Studies*
Amena Mohsin, *Dept. of International Relations, Dhaka University*
Parthiban Muniandy, *Sociology Faculty, Sarah Lawrence College*
Kasturi Ray, *San Francisco State University, Dept. of Women and Gender Studies*

PANEL

SDSB 103

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Transcultural To Cosmic Humanities: Ecology, Mobility, Gender, And Ethics

Chair

Ali Inan, *Government College University Lahore*

Organizer

Ali Inan, *Government College University Lahore*

Presentations

1. **Subaltern Ecologies: Chipko, Feminist Knowledge, And Vandana Shiva's Transcultural Interventions**
Kinza Alizai, *University of North Texas, USA*
2. **Mobility Without Movement: Digital Labor And Gendered Modernity In Pakistan**
Nayab Murad, *Government Girls Degree College Marghuz Swabi (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Pakistan)*
3. **Transcultural Cosmic Humanities: Entangled Ethics And Gendered Solidarities In South Asia.**
Saadia Noor, *Fazaiya Inter College Lahore*
4. **Cosmic Humanities And Relational Ethics In The Transcultural Frameworks Of Contemporary Asian Fiction**
Ali Inan, *Government College University Lahore*

Discussants

Waseem Anwar, *International Centre for Pakistani Writers in English at Kinnaird College for Women University Lahore*

Nosheen Yousaf, *Government College University Faisalabad*

PANEL

SDSB 203

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

We, The People: Reimagining The 'Region' In South Asia

Chair

Amit Julka

Organizer

Amit Jaipal Julka, *Ashoka University*

Presentations

1. **Peripheral Visions: How Sri Lanka's 'Marginality' Exposes The Limits Of South Asian Regional Imagination**
Thiruni Kelegama, *Oxford University*
2. **Seascapes Of South Asia: Caste, Migration, And Visions Of The 'Region'**
Kalathmika Natarajan, *University of Exeter*
3. **Envisioning A South Asian Cosmopraxis: Weaving Identity Through Similarity**
Natallia Khaniejo, *Ashoka University*
4. **Haunted Futures: Spectres Of Partition And The Possibility Of Another South Asia**
Medha N/A, *Shiv Nadar University*
5. **Not Just A Local Affair: Anti-Neoliberal Intifada In Pakistani-Administered Jammu & Kashmir**
Farooq Sulehria, *Beaconhouse National University*

Discussant

Shubranshu Mishra, *University of Exeter*

PANEL

A-1 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Worlding The Sacred: Human And More-Than-Human
Spacemaking In Islamic Southeast Asia

Chair

Shahzad Bashir

Organizers

Nicole Yow Wei, *Yale University*Verena Meyer, *Leiden University*

Presentations

1. Light As Territory: Illumination, Space, And World-Making In
Java, IndonesiaSyiafudin Zuhri, *State Islamic University Sayyid Rahmatullah
Tulungagung*

2. Cats And Rainmaking In Indonesia

Aglaia Iankovskaia, *SOAS*3. Geographies Of Separation: Ontology, Space, And The Madura
StraitVerena Meyer, *Leiden University*4. Losing Place: Malay Poetry And The Afterlives Of Resource
Extraction In Nineteenth-Century JambiNicole Yow Wei, *Yale University*5. Movements Of Veneration: Making Place Beyond The
Discursive TraditionJames Edmonds, *Arizona State University*

Discussant

Shahzad Bashir, *Aga Khan University*

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm LUNCH

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 303 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Author Meets Critics — Esha Niyogi De's 'Women's Transborder
Cinema: Authorship, Stardom And Filmic Labor In South Asia'

Chair

Fahad Naveed, *University of British Columbia*

Organizer

Fahad Naveed, *University of British Columbia*

Discussants

Esha Niyogi De, *University of California, Los Angeles*Haya Fatima Iqbal, *Habib University*Zebunnisa Hamid, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*Anuj Malhotra, *Kaddukkas*Danial Shah, *Independent Scholar*

PANEL

SDSB 103 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Beyond Sectarian Lines: Buddhist Transmission, Adaptation,
And Cultural Circulation Across Inner Asia (12Th-20Th
Centuries)

Chair

Yifan Li, *Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich*

Organizers

Yifan Li, *Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich*Yao Xu, *Renmin University of China*

Presentations

1. Interconnected Lineages: The Hevajra Transmission Between
Tibet And Tangut In The Context Of Inner Asian Tantric
InteractionYao Xu, *Renmin University of China*2. Rewriting The Afterlife: The Tibetan Transformation Of The
Scripture On The Ten KingsYifan Li, *Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich*3. A Study On The RDzogs Chen GZhan Dga's "Ris Med" Views
Ji Danzhi, *Renmin University of China*

PANEL

A-5 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Coding Futures: Reimagining Digital Technologies, AI, And Infrastructures As Tools Of Connection And Participation In South Asia

Chair

Kashfia Latafat, *Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development*

Organizers

Kashfia Latafat, *Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development*

Sajid Ali, *Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development*

Presentations

- 1. Algorithms Of Power: A Comparative Case Study Of AI, Digital Policy, And Citizen Participation In Bangladesh And Sri Lanka.**

Kashfia Latafat, *Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development*

- 2. Towards Effective AI Policy For Higher Education In Pakistan**

Shaheena Salim Jumani - Alwani, *DG- Nursing Services and Nursing Education Service, Patel Hospital, Karachi Pakistan*

- 3. Connectivity, Capacity, And Educational Inequality: Understanding The Digital Divide In Gilgit-Baltistan**

Khadija Gul, *Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development*

- 4. Adoption Among Higher Education Students In Public And Private Universities: An Integration Of Technology Acceptance Model (TAM) And Value-Based Adoption Model (VAM)**

Talha Hyder, *Institute of Business Management, Karachi, Pakistan*

ROUNDTABLE

A-4 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Communities Of Sound: Religion, Displacement And Caste In The Bay Of Bengal

Chair

carola lorea, *University of Tuebingen*

Organizer

carola lorea, *University of Tuebingen*

Discussants

Keith Cantu, *Harvard University*

Borayin Larios, *University of Vienna*

Maria Vittoria Nenna, *University of Rome La Sapienza*

Ramnarayan S Rawat, *University of Delaware*

Dominic Esler, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

PANEL

A-12

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Conjuncture As Method: Encountering Change And Continuity In Ethnographic Fieldwork

Chair

Anam Khan, *University of Texas at Austin*

Organizer

Anam Khan, *University of Texas at Austin*

Presentations

1. Reconciling Rupture And Rule: The Ethnography Of Techno-Politics In Bangladesh's Hilsa Fishery
Jui-Han Kan, *UT Austin*
2. Dialectics Of Rupture: Visibility, Obfuscation, And Continuity Of Toxic Suffering In A Pakistani Factory Town
Sarah Eleazar, *UT Austin*
3. The Uneventfulness Of Climate Governance: Catastrophes And Continuities In A Smog-Ridden Lahore
Shafaq Sohail, *UT Austin*
4. Everyday Adjustments: Retail Work And The Remaking Of Urban Life In Lahore
Anam Khan, *UT Austin*
5. Amphibious Peasants: Navigating Between Land And Sea In Bangladesh's Climate Frontier
Robayat Khondoker, *UT Austin*

Discussant

Waqas Butt, *University of Toronto*

PANEL

SDSB 204

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Culture In Transit: Media Remaking, Mobility, And Contextual Negotiation In Global Asia

Chair

Moying WANG, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

Organizer

Xinyi WANG, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

Presentations

1. Digital Performance As The Claim To Cultural Subjectivity: A Study Of Migrant Domestic Workers' Leisure Display In Hong Kong
Jingwen WANG, *The Chinese University of Hong Kong*
2. How Do People Get Hooked On Serious Leisure Groups? Involved Leisure And Cultural Reimagination Observed In Chinese Swing Dance
Yinjia HE, *University of Hong Kong*
3. Clamour And Whisper: A Comparative Study Of Queer Sound Politics In Taipei's LGBT Pride Parade And Mainland China's Moderate Activism
Yifei CAI, *Peking University*
4. Drawing Lines Between Tongues: Multilingual Boundary Constructions And Liminal Imaginaries Of Global East Asia In Chinese Diasporic Film
Moying WANG, *Hong Kong Baptist University*
5. Beyond Global Asian Narrative: Mechanisms Of Global And Inter-Asian Cultural Flows In Transnational Television Remakes
Xinyi WANG, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

Discussant

Shin Dong KIM, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-06

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Digital Contestation And The Language Of Power: Refiguring Gender, Justice, And Recognition In South Asia

Chair

Amen Jaffer

Organizer

Dr Asma Majeed, *Kinnaird College for Women Lahore*

Presentations

1. Combating Gender-Based Violence: The Formation Of Digital Feminist Counterpublics In Pakistan - A Scoping Review
Amna Ali, *Simon Fraser University (Burnaby, Canada)*
2. Discursive Constructions Of Women's Bodies: A Critical Discourse Analysis Of Autonomy And Empowerment In Pakistan
Dr Asma Majeed, *Kinnaird College for Women Lahore Pakistan*
3. Linguicism And Gender In The Expressions Of Address: Sociolinguistic Perspectives From South Asia
Dr Bairam Khan, *Vanderbilt University United States*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 301

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Digital Technologies And The Epistemologies Of Gender Research In The Global South

Chair

Aimen Bucha

Organizer

Hadia Majid, *LUMS*

Discussants

Hadia Majid, *LUMS*
Maryam Mustafa, *LUMS*
Rabia Kamal, *LUMS*
Maroof A. Syed, *CERP*

11 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****SDSB 104** **1:00 pm - 2:30 pm****Embodied Errors: Misrecognition, AI, And The Politics Of The Unmeasurable****Chair****Michael Hurt**, *Korea National University of the Art***Organizer****Michael Hurt**, *Korea National University of the Art***Presentations**

1. **Beyond The Glitch: Tara, Sacred Resonance, And The Politics Of Algorithmic Listening**
Sorayut Aiem-Uea Yut, *Chiang Mai University*
2. **Under Pressure: The Flatlining Of Korean “String Play” [弄弦] In The 21St Century**
Jocelyn Clark, *Pai Chai University*
3. **Kinesthetic Data And The Errors Of Easy Reification: What Hallyu Scholarship Misses When Bodies Disappear Behind Metrics**
Michael Hurt, *Korea National University of Art*
4. **AI Precarity In Music Composition: A View From The Field In Tokyo In Dialogue With Chinese Graduate Students**
Nana Kamiyama, *Tokyo College of Music*

125 East and Inner Asia**PANEL****A-2** **1:00 pm - 2:30 pm****Forging A Modern Agrarian State: Crops, Currency And Spatial Imaginaries In Modern China, 1920S-1970S****Chair****Boshen Yan**, *The University of Edinburgh***Organizer****Boshen Yan**, *The University of Edinburgh***Presentations**

1. **Anchoring The Nation: Cooperatives As An Ambiguous Mechanism In Nationalist China's Economic Nation-Building**
Yongyan Ye, *Tsinghua University*
2. **Securing Grain In The Great Rear: Collection Of Land Tax In-Kind And Grain Politics In Wartime Yunnan**
Boshen Yan, *The University of Edinburgh*
3. **Province Of Brevity: Grain Politics, Territorial Reorganisation And Abolition Of Pingyuan, 1949-1952**
Yuehanjiang Bao, *University College London*
4. **Revolutionary Spatial Imaginary In Manchuria Grassroot Literature, 1960S-1970S**
Ziming Gong, *The University of Hong Kong*

Discussant**Yin Cao**, *Peiking University***138 East and Inner Asia****PANEL****A-1** **1:00 pm - 2:30 pm****Gender, Class And Nation In Contemporary China, Mainstream And Margins Part 1: The Middle Class Mainstream****Chair****James Cummings****Organizers****Kailing Xie**, *University of Birmingham***Stevi Jackson**, *University of York***Presentations**

1. **Diversity And Inequality Among Chinese Women: Socio-Economic And Political Contexts.**
Stevi Jackson, *University of York*
2. **Rethinking The Desirability Of Maternal Sacrifice In Urban China**
Sanna Eriksson, *University of York*
3. **Balancing Careers, Caregiving, And Marriage: Gendered Strategies Of Shanghai's Educated Young Women**
Monika Arnoštová, *Universität Duisburg-Essen*
4. **Sitting With: Participatory Feminist Methodologies Amid Neoliberal And Patriarchal Continuities In China**
Xiao Ge, *University of Durham, UK*

Discussant**Kailing Xie**, *University of Birmingham***378 South Asia****ROUNDTABLE****A-9** **1:00 pm - 2:30 pm****Indian Ocean Circulations: Connections And Differences Across Scale****Chair****Fahad Ahmad Bishara****Organizer****Nidhi Mahajan**, *University of California***Discussants**

Nidhi Mahajan, *University of California, Santa Cruz*
Fahad Ahmad Bishara, *University of Virginia*
Nancy Um, *Getty Research Institute*
Seema Golestaneh, *Cornell University*

PANEL

SDSB 101 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Indigenizing Mobile Religion: Agency, Transformation, And Syncretism From 3rd To 12Th Century China

Chair

Haoran Hou

Organizer

Yichen Wu, *yillusion829@gmail.com*

Presentations

1. Disguised As Monks And Nuns: Fugitives And Buddhism In Medieval China
Junjun Xiang, *Zhejiang University*
2. "Connecting Practices: The Trans-Denominational Efficacy Of Technical Arts From Medieval China"
Li Ni, *Zhejiang University*
3. Building The Eastern Bridge: Texts, Personnel, And Knowledge Circulation In A Medieval Buddhist Translation Bureau
Tingting Hua, *Zhejiang University*
4. Conquering The Wave: The Fubo 伏波 Cult And Society Transition In Lingnan 岭南 From Tang To Song Dynasty.
Yichen Wu, *Zhejiang University*

Discussant

Rufei Luo, *Nanjing University*

PANEL

A-6 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Jinns, Ghosts, Churails: Haunted Texts And The Stories They Tell

Chair

Rajeev Kinra, *Northwestern University, USA*

Organizer

Daniel Majchrowicz, *Northwestern University*

Presentations

1. Ek Aurat Ek Bili: Salamat Ali Mehdi's Conception Of Female Ghostly Beings In Post-Colonial Urdu Women's Magazines And Digests
Arooj Alam, *Tufts University, USA*
2. The Girl In The Ring Is A Churel: Ghost Stories And Translation In Rural Rajasthan, India
Andrew McDowell, *Tulane University*
3. Specters In The Gems: Haunting Economies In Late Colonial India
Melina Gravier, *University of Lausanne, Switzerland*
4. Ghosts In Translation: Or, The Haunting Of Postcolonial History
Rajeev Kinra, *Northwestern University, USA*
5. The Ajeeb Society: Looking For The Ghost Of India's Past In Urdu Literature
Daniel Majchrowicz, *Northwestern University, USA*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-01 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Labour And (Im)Mobility In South Asia- Part I: (Im)Mobility Under Empire

Chair

Thomas Chambers, *Oxford Brookes University*

Organizers

Amanda Lanzillo, *University of Chicago*
 Thomas Chambers, *Oxford Brookes University*

Presentations

1. Sacred Immobility And Imperial Circulation: Craftpersons In Nineteenth-Century Punjab
Hussain Ahmad Khan, *Government College University, Lahore*
2. Empire Of Innovation: Rethinking Slavery, Capital, And Freedom In British India And Beyond
Mishal Khan, *University of California, Berkeley*
3. Work Beyond Empire?: Migration, Class, And Authority In Kabul, 1890-1930
Amanda Lanzillo, *University of Chicago*
4. The Labor Of Joy: Peripatetic Performers, Craftpersons, And The Architecture Of "Dwelling" In Colonial India
Shifa Ahmad, *Government College University, Lahore*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-02 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Land, Power, Agency: Political Contestation Across Pakistan's Rural Worlds

Chair

Aasim Sajjad Akhter

Organizers

Sadia Mahmood, *Cornell University*
 Muhammad Nasir, *Government Graduate College Chunian (Qasur, Punjab)*

Presentations

1. Land Struggle Of Bonded Labour In Punjab's Green Revolution Era
Muhammad Nasir, *Government Graduate College Chunian (Qasur, Punjab)*
2. Settlement And Sedentarization In Colonial Quetta 1884-1917
Saidal Khan Mandokhail, *University College of Zhob, Baitems, Balochistan*
3. Barth In The Frontier: Political Alliance-Making Among Pashtuns In Waziristan, Pakistan
Sohail Khan, *National Institute of Pakistan Studies, QAU, Islamabad*
4. Where The Line Cuts The Sand: Partition, Suspicion, And The 1971 Remaking Of Tharparkar
Sadia Mahmood, *Cornell University*

ROUNDTABLE

A-11 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Legitimising Speculative Fiction Teaching In The Pakistani Context

Chair

Zunaira Nadeem, IBA Karachi, Pakistan

Organizers

Zunaira Nadeem, IBA Karachi, Pakistan

Afsheen Salahuddin, Lahore University of Management Studies

Discussants

Zunaira Nadeem, IBA Karachi, Pakistan

M. Babar Khan Suri, University of Karachi, Pakistan

Nudrat Kamal, University of Pennsylvania, USA

Mehak Faisal Khan, University of Notre Dame, USA

PANEL

A-7 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Multiple Gazes, One World: Recentering The Malay World Through Persian, Chinese, And Malay Manuscripts

Chair

Sher Banu A.L. Khan, National University of Singapore

Organizer

Liu Yuxuan, National University of Singapore

Presentations

1. Beyond The Tributary Gaze: Chinese Merchant And Travel Narratives Of The Malay World, 14Th-19Th Centuries

Liu Yuxuan, National University of Singapore

2. Connecting Ilkhanate Persia, Kish, Ma'bar, Samudera-Pasai And Yuan China: Micro And Hybrid Histories

Sher Banu A.L. Khan, National University of Singapore

3. Reading Asia From Within Through Persian And Malay Archives

Umang Kochhar, National University of Singapore

PANEL

A-16 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Muslim Women At The Intersection: Mobility, Rights, And Resistance In Colonial And Post-Partition Punjab

Chair

Muhammad Iqbal Chawla

Organizer

Naumana Kiran, Department of History and Pakistan Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore

Presentations

1. From Domesticity To Political Mobilization: Centering Muslim Women Of Punjab In The Pakistan Movement

Naumana Kiran, Department of History and Pakistan Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore

2. Narratives Of The Marginalized: Aspects Of Muslim Women's Roles In Agrarian Resistance Against The British In Colonial Punjab

Anum Iftikhar, Department of History, Arts & Cultural Heritage University of Education, Lahore

3. Waiting On The Rails: A Feminist Spatial History Of Muslim Women In Late-Colonial Punjab, 1905-1937

Amna Latif, Department of Liberal Arts at Beaconhouse National University (BNU), Lahore

4. Inheritance, Identity, And Inequality: Muslim Women's Property Rights In Pre-Partition Punjab.

Robina Yasmeen, Department of Pakistan Studies, the Islamic University of Bahawalpur

5. Women At The Margins Of Rehabilitation: Colonial Practices, Patriarchal Bureaucracy And Evacuee Property Practices In Post-Partition Punjab

Tahir Khan, Virtual University of Pakistan

Discussant

Muhammad Iqbal Chawla, Retired

ROUNDTABLE

A-3 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Pakistani Content On OTT Platforms: A Challenge Of Visibility

Chair

Dr Ahmad Bilal

Organizer

Dr Aysha Bilal, University of Home Economics Lahore

Discussants

Ms Nomana Masood, Gulberg College for Women

Mr Noor ul Hassan, Actor

Ms Nirmal Bano, Independent Film Writer

SDSB 101 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Post-National South Asia: Gender, Power & Marginality

Chair

Dr. Nukhbah Langah

OrganizersDr. Sobia Kiran, *edupathglobal.org*Nukhbah Langah, *Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur (Senior Lecturer)***Presentations**

1. Gender And Post-Nationalism In Pakistani Science Fiction
Dr. Sobia Kiran, *Independent Researcher*
2. Postnational Geographies: Rewriting The Great Game In The Western Himalayas
Dr. Vandana Saxena, *Universiti Malaya (Senior Lecturer)*
3. Transnational Capital And Gendered Empowerment: Post-National Identities Of Women Food Delivery Workers In Pakistan
Dr. Shehzadi Zamurrad Awan & Dr. Abeeda Qureshi Dr. Shehzadi Zamurrad Awan & Dr. Abeeda Qureshi, *Associate Professor*
4. Shariah-Compliant Risk Mitigation And Diversification Strategies: A Literary Analysis Of Orhan Pamuk's *Nights Of Plague*.
Dr. Halimah Mohammad Ali, *Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM)*
5. Love In Absentia: The Spectralities Of Joyland
Mr Ibrahim Tanveer, *Mariam Dawood School of Visual Arts & Design at Beaconhouse National University in Lahore, Pakistan.*

DiscussantsRida Zainab, *Government College University, Faisalabad*Arooba Iqbal, *Political Science Department at Forman Christian College University*

SDSB 305 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Property And Partition In South Asia

Chair

Thomas Blom Hansen

OrganizerManav Kapur, *University of Texas at Austin***Presentations**

1. Property And Partition: The Case Of Bengal In 1905
Pallavi Raghavan, *Ashoka University, Sonapat*
2. Enemy Property And The Ruins Of War In Postcolonial Pakistan
Sadia Mahmood, *Cornell University*
3. Spoils Of Partition: Evacuee And Enemy Property In Pakistan
Ilyas Chattha, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*
4. Evacuees Without The Custodian: Evacuee Property Laws On The Eastern Frontier (1947-65)
Manav Kapur, *University of Texas at Austin*

PANEL

Sayed Saigol Auditorium 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Religion, Movement And Authority In South Asia

Chair

Muhammad Osama Imran, *University of Minnesota*

Organizers

Sanaullah Khan Muhammad Osama Imran, *Hunter College/City University of New York*

Muhammad Osama Imran, *University of Minnesota*

Presentations

1. Hakeems As Public Health Experts: Hakeems, Islam And Public Health Communication In Colonial India
Sanaullah Khan, *Hunter College/City University of New York*
2. Respiratory Logics: Majzubiyat, Paralysis, And The Work Of Survival In Sufi Ethics
Muhammad Osama Imran, *University of Minnesota*
3. Ethics And Erotics: The Reception Of Persian Literature And The Remaking Of Islam In Colonial India
Hassan Hameed, *Princeton University*
4. Moving In Mythic Time: How Power Functions In Hindu Mortuary Ritual
Kunal Joshi, *Johns Hopkins University*

Discussants

Megan Robb, *University of Pennsylvania*

Noman Baig, *Habib University*

PANEL

SDSB 205 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Revisiting Film Festivals: Locality, Resistance, Connection, And Self-Critique

Chair

Hamzah Karamat, *Kyoto University*

Organizer

Ran Wei, *Tohoku University*

Presentations

1. (East) Asian Film Festivals As Archipelagic Media
Ran Ma, *Nagoya University*
2. Resistance In Women's Film Festivals: Taipei, Seoul, And Aichi
Mitsuyo Wada-Marciano, *Kyoto University*
3. Glocal Premieres: Assessing Pakistani Filmmakers' Navigation Between Local And Global Festival Circuits
Hamzah Karamat, *Kyoto University*
4. Rethinking The Definition Of "Documentary" Through The Case Study Of Yamagata International Documentary Film Festival (2023-2025)
Ran Wei, *Tohoku University*

Discussant

Farida Batool, *National College of Arts, Lahore*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 103 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

The Future Of Area Studies (Part I) : Through The Past Of Inter-Regional Networks

Chair

Samer Abboud

Organizer

Adeem Suhail, *Franklin and Marshall College*

Discussants

Fahad Bishara, *University of Virginia*

Elizabeth Kolsky, *Villanova University*

Janice Jeong, *Simon Fraser University*

Hafeez Jamali, *Baluchistan Civil Service Academy*

Kevin Schwartz, *Czech Academy of Sciences*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-07 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

The Internationalized Myanmar Crisis: Governance From The Center-Periphery Interface

Chair

Tian Zhang, *School of International Relations, Sun Yat-sen University*

Organizer

Tian Zhang, *School of International Relations, Sun Yat-sen University*

Presentations

1. Generalized Rohingya: Diaspora, External Forces, And The Alienation Of Identity Definition
Fangliang Zhang, *Yunan University*
2. Diaspora And Interest Capture: The International Bureaucratic Dilemma Of Myanmar's Rohingya Crisis
Tian Zhang, *School of International Relations, Sun Yat-sen University*
3. Navigating Currency Control: Chinese Traders And Informal Currency Exchange Across The China-Myanmar Border
Zhou Zhou, *Rice University, Department of Anthropology*

Discussant

Xiaoxin Zhong, *School of Ethnology and Sociology, Yunnan University*

PANEL

SDSB 102 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

The Presents From Gandhāra: Multisensory Mediations And Conceptual Transmissions From Gandhāra To Medieval East Asia

Chair

Yinggang Sun

Organizer

YIFENG XIE, Hunan University

Presentations

1. Bones Of Enlightenment: Skeleton Imaginaries And The Conception Of The Body In Gandharan Buddhist Art And Its Trans-Asian Transmission
Chenchen Lu, Camlab, Harvard University
2. From The Universal Flower To The Local Plant: A Conceptual Travel Of The “Youtanbo” In Medieval China
Rui Yang, Culture Central China Normal University
3. Aromatic Infusion: The Fragrance In Gandhāran Buddhist Reliquaries
Shiyu Wang, Zhejiang University
4. Heavenly Fire, Cakravartin Stupas (Pagodas), And The Transmission Of Buddhist Political Culture And Its Visual Presentations In East Asian
YIFENG XIE, Hunan University
5. Consecrating Buddhist Statues And Paintings: From Gandhāra To Korea
Youn-mi Kim, Ewha Womans University

Discussant

Yinggang Sun, Zhejiang University

PANEL

SDSB 203 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Trans-Ing Archives, Languages, And Disciplines: Towards An Unsettled Asian Trans Studies

Chair

Xiaogao Zhou

Organizer

Heng Wang, The University of British Columbia

Presentations

1. Trans Orientalism
Heng Wang, PhD student, Institute for Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice, The University of British Columbia
2. Post-Menopause, Post-Women: Rethinking Elder Women Ritual Specialists As A Different Gender
Kai Ngu, PhD student, Anthropology & History, University of Michigan
3. Bodies That Scatter
Emi Donald, PhD graduate in History, Cornell University
4. (Mis)Identification In Thai Transmasculine Healthcare
Adrian Beyer, PhD student, Asian Languages and Cultures, University of Wisconsin-Madison

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Islamic Calligraphy Workshop — SSE Classrooms (10-202, 10-204, 10-302, 10-304)

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Tang Prize Foundation Sponsored Lecture “Constitutions at a Global Crossroads” - SDSB – B1

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Tea-break

81 East and Inner Asia PANEL A-16 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Between Hashtags And Handshakes: Participatory Propaganda In Everyday Life In China Chair Frederik Schmitz, <i>University of Bonn</i> Organizer Frederik Schmitz, <i>University of Bonn</i> Presentations 1. Performing Influence: Political Influencers And The Politics Of Platformed Communication In China Dechun Zhang, <i>University of Copenhagen</i> 2. Soft Subversion In Sound: Homophonic Pun Memes And Youth Cultural Resistance In China's Digital Sphere Jiaxin Yang, <i>University of Technology Sydney</i> (Jiaxin.Yang@student.uts.edu.au) 3. Playing Propaganda: The Rise Of Participatory Propaganda Through Chinese Videogames Lukas N. Eggert, <i>University of Tübingen</i> 4. "Fighting The Japanese": Participatory Propaganda And Emotional Legitimacy In China's War Reenactments Frederik Schmitz, <i>University of Bonn</i>	394 South Asia PANEL A-7 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Cartographies Of Extraction: Capitalism, Development, And Environmental Transformation In South Asia Chair Nivedita Nath, <i>Department of History, University of California, Irvine</i> Organizer Nivedita Nath, <i>Department of History, University of California, Irvine</i> Presentations 1. The Agrarian Underground: Aquifers, Extraction, And The Politics Of Water In Central India Tanya Matthan, <i>Department of Geography and Environment, London School of Economics</i> 2. Development And The Moral Economies Of Labor And Land In Post-2001 Afghanistan Abhilash Medhi, <i>Department of History, Mount Holyoke</i> 3. Resisting Cartographies Of Extraction: From Chipko To The Jhapto Cheeno Andolan In The Central Himalayas Nivedita Nath, <i>Department of History, University of California, Irvine</i>
397 South Asia ROUNDTABLE A-10 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Centering Women In Asia's Digital Future: Experiences, Enablers, And Persistent Gaps Chair NA NA Organizer Gulalai Khan, <i>Adam Smith/ LUMS</i> Discussants Nadia Seth, <i>SMEDA</i> Ben Warrington/Rep, <i>BHC/FCDO</i> Areej Khan, <i>Pakistan Telecom Mobile Limited</i> Humaira Mufti, <i>National Commission on the Status of Women</i> Hina Karamet, <i>Ministry of IT- PSEB</i>	388 South Asia ROUNDTABLE A-3 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Climate Change In Pakistan's Vulnerable Regions: Bridging Policy Gaps For Resilient And Inclusive Futures Chair Amjad Ali, <i>Department of Development Studies Karakoram International University</i> Organizer Amjad Ali, <i>Department of Development Studies Karakoram International University</i> Discussants Amjad Hussain Khan, <i>F.G. Boys Degree College Skardu</i> Anwar Ul Haq, <i>Department of Gender Studies, University of Peshawar</i> Nazneen Alam, <i>Independent Researcher</i> Mirza Ghalib, <i>University of Gwadar</i>

PANEL

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**Cold War Environments Of Contemporary Asia (Panel 2):
Affective And Aesthetic Futures Beyond Dominant Orders****Chair**

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OrganizersJustin Weinstock, *University of California, Berkeley*Chris Cristóbal Chan, *Stanford University***Presentations**

1. **An Ecology Of Desire: Flower Bombing And Military Tree Plantations In Kashmir**
Omer Aijazi, *University of Manchester*
2. **The Art Of Cold War: Aestheticization And Militarization In The Taiwan Strait**
Chris Cristóbal Chan, *Stanford University*
3. **Planning A Smart Future On Militarized Ground In New Clark City, Philippines**
Macario Lacbawan, *University of Hamburg*
4. **ĐẤT NƯỚC: On The Metabolic Entanglements Of Life And Death**
Boone Nguyen, *Cal State LA*

DiscussantRina Priyani, *University of Virginia*

ROUNDTABLE

A-15

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Collective Wellbeing In Asia: Pathways Beyond Individualism And Growth**Chair**Sonal Dhanani, *Parindey Wellbeing and Development Foundation***Organizer**Sonal Dhanani, *Parindey Wellbeing and Development Foundation***Discussants**Bareera Raufi, *HopeWorks*Tooba Tahir, *Self Employed*Abeer Ul Haq Usmani, *Queens College*

SDSB 103

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Conflict, Geopolitics, And Educational Resilience: Insights From The May 2025 India-Pakistan Conflict And The Future Landscape

Chair

Farhan Ahmed, *NED University of Engineering and Technology, Sindh*

Organizer

Misbah Saba, *Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir Bagh, AJK, Pakistan*

Presentations

1. Fault Lines And Fallout: The May 2025 India-Pakistan Conflict And Its Geopolitical Consequences For South Asia

Rabia Mustafa, *Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir Bagh, AJK*

2. Educational Disruptions And Institutional Resilience During The May 2025 India-Pakistan Crisis: A Qualitative Inquiry In HEIs Of Azad Jammu & Kashmir

Misbah Saba, *Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir Bagh, AJK*

3. Fear, Resilience, And Digital Expression: A Qualitative Analysis Of Social Media Narratives During The May 2025 India-Pakistan Crisis

Syeda Zahra Ali, *Govt. Post Graduate College Haripur, KPK*

4. Geopolitics And Education Nexus: A Bibliometric Analysis Of The Global Knowledge Landscape

Farhan Ahmed, *NED University of Engineering and Technology, Sindh*

5. Topic: Beyond The Crisis: Building Conflict-Responsive Education Policy In Azad Jammu & Kashmir

Tahzeeb Mahreen, *Department of Education, Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Bagh*

Discussant

Umer Mustafa, *Virtual University, Islamabad*

SDSB 301

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Connected-Disconnected: Partition, Memory, And Faith Across Divided South Asia

Chair

Maryam Khan

Organizer

Christine Moliner, *OP Jindal Global University, India*

Presentations

1. (Re) Connected By Faith? The Sacred Geography And Politics Of Sikh Pilgrimage In Pakistan

Christine Moliner, *OP Jindal global University, India*

2. (Re) Connected By Faith? The Sacred Geography And Politics Of Sikh Pilgrimage In Pakistan

Gurshamshir Waraich, *Agenda Punjab, India*

3. Connected-Disconnected: Partition Memory, Generational Trauma, And The Making Of The Present

Adnan Bajwa, *Bazm-e-Aalam, Pakistan*

4. Connected-Disconnected: Uncovering The Many Layers Of Partition Through Caste

Nishtha Sood, *School of Oriental and African Studies*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 203 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Curriculum Reform In Education In South Asia

Chair

David Taylor, *Bloomsbury Pakistan*

Organizer

David Taylor, *Bloomsbury Pakistan*

Discussants

Farid Panjwani, *Institute for Educational Development, Aga Khan University*Aparna Vaidik, *Ashoka University*Amjad Nazeer, *Institute of Development Research and Corresponding Capabilities*

PANEL

SDSB 102 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Digital ID, Nationality Rights And Statelessness In Asia

Chair

Tahera Hasan, *Imkaan Welfare Organization*

Organizers

Tahera Hasan, *Imkaan Welfare Organization*SUBIN MULMI, *Nationality for All*

Presentations

1. Digital ID And Statelessness In Nepal; Risks And Opportunities
Subin Mulmi, *Nationality for All*
2. Digital ID And Statelessness In India; Risks And Opportunities
Nayanantara Raja, *Nationality For All*
3. Digital ID And Statelessness In Malaysia; Risks And Opportunities
Nicole Fong, *Nationality For All*

Discussants

Moniza Kakar, *Lawyer*Adlyn Adam Teoh, *Statelessness and Dignified Citizenship Coalition - Asia Pacific*

PANEL

A-14 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Embedded Injustice: Environmental Harm, Governance, And Community Agency In Rural Asia

Chair

Joanna Hioe, *Independent Scholar (no institutional affiliation)*

Organizer

Joanna Hioe, *Independent Scholar (no institutional affiliation)*

Presentations

1. Peripheralization, Infrastructure, And Socio-Communicative Exclusion In Davao City, Philippines
Dennis John F. Sumaylo, *University of the Philippines Mindanao*
2. Red River Turning Blue: Who Should Be Held Accountable? Environmental Justice In The Amblanga River, Cordillera Administrative Region, The Philippines
Shania Sicuan Lucyao, *Benguet State University, Philippines*
3. "Once By Custom, Now By Law": Understanding Institutional Changes And Interactions In The Governance Of Common-Pool Resources In Vietnam's Northern Uplands
Phan Thi Kim Tam, *Department of Anthropology, Vietnam National University, Hanoi*
4. Intersecting Environmental And Tourism Policies In Mongolia: Evaluating Governance And Inclusion Through Fischer And Ostrom
Oyun-Erdene Chuluunbaatar, *School of Public Policy, Chiang Mai University*

Discussant

Phan Thanh Thanh, *Institute for Human, Family and Gender Studies, Vietnam*

PANEL

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Gender, Class And Nation In Contemporary China, Mainstream And Margins Part 2: Geographical And Sexual Peripheries

Chair

Xiao Ge

Organizers

Kailing Xie, *University of Birmingham*Stevi Jackson, *University of York*

Presentations

1. 'I Don't Care About Love, I Care About Money': Dating And Marriage Among China's First Generation Of Highly Educated Rural Women
Willy Sier, *Utrecht University, the Netherlands*
2. Change And Continuity In Chinese Queer Imaginations Of The Future
James Cummings, *University of York*
3. Child Marriage In China: Cultural Perspectives And Popular Practice
Kailing Xie, *University of Birmingham*
4. Child Marriage In China: Cultural Perspectives And Popular Practice
Chong Liu, *Durham University, UK*
5. Paid Sex Or Situationships? Transactional Relationships, Young Women's Vulnerability, And The Ambiguity Of Sex/Work
Ruby Lai, *Lingnan University, Hong Kong*

Discussant

Stevi Jackson, *University of York*

PANEL

A-7 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**Global South Narratives In The Global North Marketplace:
Centering Asia In The Publishing Economy Via Analysis Of
Parapractices**

Chair

Claire Chambers, *University of York*

Organizers

Sauleha Kamal, *University of York*

Claire Chambers, *University of York*

Presentations

- 1. Prize Culture As Disciplinary Technology: The Anglophone South Asian Novel In The Long Shadow Of The Booker Prize**
Sauleha Kamal, *University of York*
- 2. Publishing, Publicity, And Paucity: The Global Literary Marketplace's Parapractices**
Claire Chambers, *University of York*
- 3. Halal Speculative Fiction And The Literary Marketplace: Decolonizing Global Popular Culture**
Aroosa Kanwal, *Quaid-e-Azam University*
- 4. Halal Fiction: A Practice-Based Approach To The Genre**
Bina Shah, *Agha Khan University*

PANEL

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**Infrastructures Of Home/Harm: Marginalized Bodies,
Extraction, And Decentering National Futures**

Chair

Maari Sugawara, *City University of Hong Kong, PhD Candidate*

Organizer

Maari Sugawara, *City University of Hong Kong, PhD Candidate*

Presentations

- 1. Algorithmic Necropolitics In Japan: Governing The Post-Biological State Through The Moonshot Research And Development Program**
Maari Sugawara, *City University of Hong Kong, PhD Candidate*
- 2. Devouring The Future: Taiwanese Manufacturing And Ecological Collapse In The U.S.-Mexico Border**
Gabriel Antonio Solis, *Chinese University of Hong Kong, Department of Cultural Studies, Postdoctoral Fellow, Columbia University, PhD*
- 3. Infrastructures Of Care, Infrastructures Of Harm: Migrant Domestic Worker Organising Under Hong Kong's Changing Regime**
Ka-Ying Wong, *Department of Cultural Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, PhD Candidate*

Discussant

Liu Zifeng, *Hong Kong Baptist University*

PANEL

SDSB 205 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Inhabiting Everyday Spaces: Counter-Narratives Of Public And Performance Art

Chair

Anneliese Hardman, *University of Illinois Chicago*

Organizer

Dewi Tan, *Nanyang Technological University (NTU)*

Presentations

1. **Playing Countermonuments: The Ambivalence Of Narratives Through And Around The Momentary Monument And The Early Founders Memorial Stone Of Singapore**
 Zulkhairi Zulkiflee, *Nanyang Technological University (NTU)*
2. **Shopping For Subversion: Malls As Sites Of Artistic Resistance And Socio-Ecological Negotiation**
 Dewi Tan, *Nanyang Technological University (NTU)*
3. **The Visibility And Corporeality Of Everyday Gestures Of Dulong Ethnic Group**
 Dai Lu, *Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU)*
4. **The Cantonese Funeral Industry In Transition: Sago Lane And The Socio-Economic Change In 1970S Singapore**
 Donald Hong Yin Chan, *Hong Kong Metropolitan University*
5. **Cambodian Rubber Trees As Companion Species And Interveners In Colonial And Neo-Liberal Cash Crop Production**
 Anneliese Hardman, *University of Illinois Chicago*

Discussant

Anneliese Hardman, *University of Illinois Chicago*

PANEL

A-6 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Knowledge As Resistance: Advancing Human Rights And Peace In Southeast Asia In Challenging Times

Chair

Vachararutai Boontinand, *SHAPE-SEA/Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University*

Organizer

Vachararutai Boontinand, *SHAPE-SEA/Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University*

Presentations

1. **The Researcher As Chronicler: Documenting Violations In Transitional Contexts**
 May Thida Aung, *Centre for Applied Human Rights (CAHR), University of York*
2. **Why Bringing Life To Law Matters: A Reflection On Legal Activism And The Limits Of Law In Books**
 Sahid Hadi, *Center for Human Rights Studies of Universitas Islam Indonesia*
3. **In Defense Of Critical Enquiry: Engaged Scholars And Solidarity Building For Academic Freedom**
 Bencharat Sae Chua, *SEACAF/Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University*

Discussant

Duanghathai Buranajaroenkij, *Asian Institute of Technology*

PANEL

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Labour And (Im)Mobility In South Asia- Part II: Regimes Of Labour Between The Colonial And The Contemporary

Chair

Amanda Lanzillo, *University of Chicago*

Organizers

Amanda Lanzillo, *University of Chicago*
 Thomas Chambers, *Oxford Brookes University*

Presentations

1. **Stalled Looms And Sectarian Mobility: The Julaha Experience In Jhang**
 Tahir Kamran, *Beaconhouse National University*
2. **Historicizing Sanitation Work In Bangladesh: Caste, Coloniality And Occupational (Im)Mobility**
 Sally Cawood, *Lancaster University*
3. **The Affective Afterlife Of Immobility: Partition, Precarity, And Class In Asian Labour Narratives**
 Mahboob Ahmad, *Government College University, Lahore*
4. **'Sticky Money': Mobility, Immobility & Inverted Labour Bondage In An Indian Woodworking Cluster**
 Thomas Chambers, *Oxford Brookes University*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 201 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Mapping Asian Heritages: Globalization, Indigenous Storytelling And Gender In Historical Novels

Chair

Adeel Khalid

Organizer

SADIA KAMRAN, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University), Lahore*

Discussants

Qurat-ul Ain Dar, *Kinnaird College for Women University, Lahore*
 Adeel Khalid, *Forman Christian College (A Chartered University), Lahore*
 Dr Khaliq u Rehman, *FMH College of Medicine & Dentistry, Lahore*
 Sumair Tarar, *Pakistan Custom Services-IRS*
 Sania Samad, *Sania Samad Studio*

ROUNDTABLE

A-2 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Melting Water Towers: Glaciers, Knowledge Systems, And Climate Futures In Gilgit-Baltistan**Chair**Shazia Fatima, *Independent Researcher***Organizer**Shazia Fatima, *Independent Researcher***Discussants**Saqlain Abbas, *Viylsa company Nutech University*Shakila Maryam, *Kinder castle school skardu*Hasnain Abbas, *Quaid e Azam University Islamabad*

PANEL

A-9 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Obliteration And Performativity: AI, Diplomacy, And Storytelling**Chair**

Ejaz Hussain

OrganizerMariam Zia, *Lahore School of Economics***Presentations****1. Obliteration And The Politics Of Erasure**Mariam Zia, *Lahore School of Economics***2. Hybrid Identities In The Age Of Artificial Intelligence: A Post-Humanist Analysis Of Human-Machine Integration**Faisal Yaqoob, *Lahore School of Economics***3. Between Iron Brotherhood And Existential Anxiety: CPEC, COVID-19, And Pakistan's Oscillating Ontological Security**Muhammad Saad Khan, *Lahore School of Economics***Discussant**Ejaz Haider, *University of Lahore*

ROUNDTABLE

A-11 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Recharting Gilgit-Baltistan: Governance, Ecology, And Tourism Under Climate Change**Chair**Muzammil Ahmed, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad***Organizer**Muzammil Ahmed, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad***Discussants**Irfan Ali, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad*Tallat Hussain, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad*Zuhair Ali, *UET Lahore*

PANEL

A-1 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Reclaiming Time And Space: Gender, Education, Mobility, And Institutional Power In South And Southeast Asia**Chair**Sara Gul, *Govt. Girls Modal Degree College Jinnah Town Quetta.***Organizer**Sara Gul, *Govt. Girls Modal Degree College Jinnah Town Quetta.***Presentations****1. Time And Space: Spatiotemporal Constraints On Female Education In Balochistan And The Interventional Role Of Reclaiming SBMKF's Digital Libraries**Sara Gul, *Govt. Girls Modal degree College jinnah Town Quetta***2. Gendered Determinants Of Academic Performance: Socioeconomic, Institutional, And Personal Constraints Faced By Female Students In Mansehra City**Nimra Gul, *Women University Mardan***3. Time, Space, And Coercive Control In The Lives Of Young Cambodian Workers And Students**UY Sareth, *Royal University of Phnom Penh***4. Navigating Time, Space, And Institutional Power: Experiences Of Young Workers And Students In Balochistan**Hajra Fazal, *University of Balochistan***5. Flood-Induced Men's Caring Masculinities Recognize Women's Work And Daughters' Education: Evidence From Kathmandu, Nepal**Renz Prudenciano, *AIT***Discussant**Abdul Raheem, *QAU, Islamabad*

97 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****A-5 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm****Refiguring Asian Multilateralism: Competing Architectures, Strategic Narratives, And Shifting Power In A Post-Liberal Global Order****Chair****Adrian Brona**, *Jagiellonian University***Organizer****Adrian Brona**, *Jagiellonian University***Presentations**

1. Nested Exclusion? The SCO-BRICS-BIMSTEC-BBIN Overlapping Architectures And Pakistan's Strategic Agency Dilemmas
Agnieszka Kuszewska-Bohnert, *Jagiellonian University*
2. The New Order Makers? The Role Of BRICS In The Post-Liberal International Order. Russia And China Case Studies
Michał Lubina, *Jagiellonian University*
3. Between East And West: Türkiye's Goals For Joining BRICS
Karolina Wanda Olszowska, *Jagiellonian University*
4. The Evolution Of Strategic Narratives Of BRICS
Łukasz Fyderek, *Jagiellonian University*
5. Party Commissions And The Centralization Of Foreign And Security Policy Under Xi Jinping
Łukasz Gacek, *Jagiellonian University*

398 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****SDSB 101 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm****Rethinking South-South Cooperation: Precarity, Transformation, And Potentiality In An Intra-Connected Asia****Chair****Luyang Zhou**, *University of Cambridge***Organizer****Luyang Zhou**, *University of Cambridge***Presentations**

1. A Buffer Economy Framework For Channeling China Through The Gulf
Abdulla Saeed Saleh Naser ALHEMEIRI, *Sino-Gulf Institute*
2. Between Empire Centers And Peripheries: China's Non-Military Engagement In The Middle East And State Fragility
Zhuorui Fu, *United Nations*
3. "Chinese Fever": The Rise Of Chinese Language Studies In The Middle East And Its Implications
Joshua GAUCHE, *Peking University*
4. Limited Strategic Partnership: Sino-Iranian Relations In Light Of 2025-26 Wars
Razan Faisal Hamad SHAWAMREH, *Arab American University*
5. Actors On The Ground: A Missing Dimension In China's Belt And Road Initiative
Weishen Zeng, *University of Oxford*

Discussant**Luyang Zhou**, *University of Cambridge***387 Southeast Asia****ROUNDTABLE****A-13 / MCB Auditorium 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm****Book Launch Roundtable: "Archipelagic Cinemas: Screening Southeast Asian Modernity"****Chair****Dag Yngvesson****Organizer****Dag Yngvesson**, *University of Nottingham Malaysia***Discussants**

Wening Udasmoro, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*
Piseth Tieng, *Bophana Audiovisual Resource Center*
Huda Imtiaz, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

396 South Asia**ROUNDTABLE****SDSB 104 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm****Rural Women At The Frontlines Of Climate Change: A Comparative Lens On Pakistan, India, And Bangladesh Amid Escalating Climate Crises****Chair****Dr. Shaista Naz****Organizers**

Dr. Aisha Alam, *Department of Sociology and Gender Studies, University of Peshawar*
Amjad Ali Khan, *Department of Political Science, Hazara University, Mansehra*

Discussants

Aisha Alam, *Department of Sociology and Gender Studies, University of Peshawar*
Dr. Mushtaq Ahmad Jan, *Department of Disaster Management, University of Peshawar*
Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad Shah, *China Agriculture University, Beijing, China*

ROUNDTABLE

A-12 **3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**
Shaping Development Futures: Perspectives From Pakistan For The Global South

Chair

Faisal Bari

Organizers

Ahmed Khalid, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Vaqar Ahmed, *Partnership for Economic Policy (PEP)*

Discussants

Hadia Majid, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan*

Ali Hasanain, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan*

Usman Khan, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan*

Syem Ali, *Bank of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan*

ROUNDTABLE

A-15 **3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**
The Future Of Area Studies (Part II): Beyond Sovereign Equality And Imperial Subordination

Chair

Samer Abboud

Organizer

Adeem Suhail, *Franklin and Marshall College*

Discussants

Samer Abboud, *Villanova University*

Engseng Ho, *Duke University*

Ping-hsiu Lin, *Harvard University*

Adeem Suhail, *Franklin and Marshall College*

PANEL

A-4 **3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**
The Shrinking Space For Academic Freedom In Higher Education

Chair

Nida Kirmani

Organizers

Syed Irfan Ashraf, *University of Peshawar*

Aurangzaib Khan, *University of Peshawar*

Presentations

- 1. The Vivacide Of Academic Freedom In Balochistan: Perspectives From Social Sciences Faculty Members At Higher Education Institutions**
Hamayoon Khan, *BUIITEMS*
- 2. The Knowledge Market And Liquidation Of Academic Freedom: Investigating The Commercial, Institutional And Psychological Influence Of Neoliberal Academy In Pakistan**
Sakina Maham, *University of Punjab*
- 3. War On Academic Freedom: The Intellectual Economy Of Injury In Pakistan's Militarized Pashtun Periphery**
Syed Irfan Ashraf, *University of Peshawar*
- 4. Afghanistan: Epistemicide In The Service Of War**
Aurangzaib Khan, *University of Peshawar*

Discussant

Neloufer de Mel, *University of Colombo*

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Nanyang Technological University Open House — VC Faculty Lounge

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Musical Event: Dhrupad: A Living Tradition of South Asian Classical Music – SDSB – B3

DAY 3

SUNDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2026

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Registration

8:30 am - 10:00 am

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PANEL

A-16 **8:30 am - 10:00 am**
Art As Infrastructures Of Survival: Art, Agency, And Collective Resilience In Hong Kong And Beyond

Chair

Xiaoyi Nie, *Department of Curating Contemporary Art, Royal College of Art, London*

Organizer

Lai Lai Natalie Lo, *School of Creative Media, City University of Hong Kong*

Presentations

- 1. More Than Labour: Filipino Migrant Women's Art As Cultural Resistance And Collective Identity In Hong Kong**
Ka Ying Wong, *Department of Cultural Studies, The Chinese University of Hong Kong*
- 2. Archives In Action: Curatorial Practices And Everyday Resilience Of Self-Hosted Archives In Hong Kong**
Xiao Fan, *Department of Media Studies, University of Amsterdam*
- 3. Fermenting Change: Art, Agriculture, And The Shifting Landscapes Of Hong Kong**
Lai Lai Natalie LO, *School of Creative Media, City University of Hong Kong*
- 4. Self-Instigation As Practice: Wan Qing And Post-Collective Ecologies Of Socially Engaged Art In Contemporary China**
Xiaoyi Nie, *Department of Curating Contemporary Art, Royal College of Art, London*

Discussant

Minna Valjakka, *Department of Cultures, University of Helsinki*

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PANEL

A-16 **8:30 am - 10:00 am**
Borderland Citizenships: State Territorialization And Transnational Connections In South Asia

Chair

Prabhakar Kumar, *Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi*

Organizer

Shubhanginee Singh, *Tallinn University*

Presentations

- 1. Phanishwarnath Renu: Interrogating The Literary Archives Of State, Identity And Belonging In South Asia.**
Prabhakar Kumar, *Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi*
- 2. Border Monumentalization: Spiritual Tourism As Territorialization In The Eastern Himalayas**
Shubhanginee Singh, *Tallinn University*
- 3. Entangled Sovereignties: Policing, Conservation, And Livelihoods In The Indo-Nepal Borderlands Of Singalila**
Nirvan Pradhan, *Narasinha Dutt College, University of Calcutta*

Discussant

Nirvan Pradhan, *Narasinha Dutt College, University of Calcutta*

310 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****SAHSOL 0-02** 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Centering Asian Ways Of Knowing In The Arts

ChairAnna Stirr, *University of Hawaii Manoa***Organizer**Anna Stirr, *University of Hawaii Manoa***Presentations**

1. Promoting Vernacular Epistemologies Of Music And Dance:
Subi Shah's Works On Folk Performance
Anna Stirr, *University of Hawaii Manoa*
2. Women's Spiritual Healing, Spirit Possession, And Embodied
Ways Of Knowing At The Shrine Of Shah Abdul Latif
Abdul Haque Chang, *IBA Karachi*
3. Curating Nandao: Settler Diplomacy And The Remaking Of
Austronesia At Taiwan's National Museum Of Prehistory
Yuanyu Kuan, *University of Hawaii Manoa*

235 South Asia**PANEL****A-4** 8:30 am - 10:00 amColombo's Histories And Presents And The Pathways Of
Urbanisation In South Asia**Chair**

Dominic Eisler

OrganizerSujit Sivasundaram, *University of Cambridge***Presentations**

1. Shifting Shores: Colombo Lake From A Longue Durée
Perspective
Luc Bulten, *University of Cambridge/Radboud University,
Netherlands*
2. Faces And Façades: Exploring Behind The Hospitality Of The
Galle Face Hotel
Pamudu Tennekoon, *University of Cambridge*
3. Caste And The 1896 Laundry Workers' Strike
Samal Hemaachandra, *University of Cambridge/University of
Colombo*
4. Labour And Politics Of Place In Post-War Colombo
Iromi Perera, *Colombo Urban Lab*

112 East and Inner Asia**PANEL****SDSB 204** 8:30 am - 10:00 amComputerizing Forms, Constructing Meanings: Deciphering The
Physical Information Of Manuscripts And Imprints In Medieval
China**Chair**

Lin Du

OrganizerYinzong Wei, *Nanyang Technological University***Presentations**

1. Between Slips And Paper: Tracing The Spread Of Paper In
China, 260-440 CE
Ruiling Guo, *University of Hamburg*
2. Mary Had A Little Book: Portable Manuscripts From
Dunhuang And Turfan
Jing Feng, *Zhejiang University*
3. Why Were Chinese Buddhist Scribes Particularly Fond Of
Seventeen As A Fermat Prime?—An Analysis Of The Origins
Of The Seventeen-Characters-Per-Line Rule In Chinese
Buddhist Sutra Transcription
Dan Liu, *Wuhan University*
4. Woodblock Typefaces Of The Earliest Imprints Excavated
From Dunhuang And Other Central Asian Sites: A
Comparative Analysis Based On AI Image Recognition
Technology
Yinzong Wei, *Nanyang Technological University*

DiscussantRui Yang, *Central China Normal University***161 Inter-Area/Border Crossing****PANEL****A-6** 8:30 am - 10:00 amCosmopolitanism/Anti-Cosmopolitanism And The Formation Of
Political Consciousness In Postcolonial Contexts**Chair**

Muhammad Khakan Ajmal

OrganizersSiavash Saffari, *Seoul National University*
Jean-Thomas Martelli, *Seoul National University***Presentations**

1. Liberalism And Multiculturalism In Thai Contemporary
Muslim Politics
Jiwon Suh, *Seoul National University*
2. Anti-Cosmopolitanism As Closeness: The Case Of Narendra
Modi's Political Communication
Jean-Thomas Martelli, *Seoul National University*
3. High, Low, And Nowhere To Go: The Performative Trap Of
Cosmopolitan Claims In Pakistani Political Rhetoric
Fizza Batool, *SZABIST University Karachi*
4. Un-Reading Pakistani Nomos Through Social Movements
Asma Aftab, *Government College University Faisalabad*
5. Muslims And Marxists In Twentieth Century Asia:
Retrospective Reflections
Siavash Saffari, *Seoul National University*

DiscussantAsad ur Rahman, *Habib University*

ROUNDTABLE

A-2 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Disappearing Rights: Feminists Interrogate Nation/State Formations From South And Southeast Asia

Chair

Dina Siddiqi

Organizer

Lamia Karim, *University of Oregon*

Discussants

Firdous Azim, *BRAC University*Navine Murshid, *Colgate University*Samina Luftha, *Dhaka University*Jane Ferguson, *Australian National University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 1-01 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Dream Cities: Home-Making And Urban Peripheries In China

Chair

Mengqi Wang, *Duke Kunshan University*

Organizers

Mengqi Wang, *Duke Kunshan University*Qian Zhu, *Duke Kunshan University*

Presentations

1. Spectres Of Homeownership: Dwelling Real Estate In China's Rust Belt

Siyu Tang, *Oxford University*

2. Anxious Homes: Inflexible Demand And China's Housing Market

Mengqi Wang, *Duke Kunshan University*

3. "You Must Follow The Policy!" Speculation, Infrastructural Imaginations, And The Future City In Southwest China

Xuyi Zhao, *Chinese University of Hong Kong*

4. Two Dreams In One Bed: New Villages For Workers In Shanghai, Modern Life, And Chinese Urbanisms, 1935-1955

Qian Zhu, *Duke Kunshan University*

Discussant

Timothy Oakes, *University of Colorado Boulder*

PANEL

SDSB 101 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Entangled Frontiers: Knowledge, Mobility, Agency, And The Making Of The China-Burma-India Borderlands

Chair

Hanxiao Song, *National University of Singapore*

Organizer

Hanxiao Song, *National University of Singapore*

Presentations

1. Buddhist Brotherhood: Borderland Autonomous Knowledge In The Mid-18Th Century Qing-Burmese Interaction

Hanxiao Song, *National University of Singapore*

2. Knowing Silver, Knowing Frontier: Making Qing-Burmese Borderland In The Early Eighteenth Century

Rui ZHAO, *University of Chicago*

3. Zomia As A Knowledge Roundabout: Cartographic Practices On The Overlapping Qing-Burma-British Frontier In The Late Eighteenth Century

Yue Fang, *Peking University*

PANEL

A-10 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Envisioning Linguistic Futures: Sustainability And Revitalization Of The Languages Of North Pakistan

Chair

Ahsan Kamal

Organizer

ZUBAIR TORWALI, *Idara Baraye Taleem wa Taraqi (IBT)*

Presentations

1. Navigating Language Endangerment In North Pakistan

ZUBAIR TORWALI, *Idara Baraye Taleem wa Taraqi (IBT)*

2. Mother-Tongue-Based Multilingual Education Models For The Languages Of North Pakistan

Aftab Ahmad, *Idara Baraye Taleem wa Taraqi (IBT)*

3. Hope For The Future: Revitalization Efforts And Emerging Pathways For The Languages Of North Pakistan

Zaman Sagar, *Gawri Community Development Program*

Discussants

Zainuddin Molvie, *Alternative Law Collective*Nasir Abbas Nayyar, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

211 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****SDSB 303****8:30 am - 10:00 am****Food As An Intersection: Where The Macro And The Micro Converge****Chair****Taiki Sano**, *The Univeristy of Tokyo***Organizer****Taiki Sano**, *The Univeristy of Tokyo***Presentations**

- 1. Famine And Food Politics In India With Special Focus On The Green Revolution**
Madhumita Saha, *Amity University*
- 2. De-Ethnicizing Japanese Cuisine: Gatekeepers And The Marketing Of “Japaneseness” In America**
Takeshi Matsui, *Hitotsubashi University*
- 3. Comfort Food In-Between: A Food Ethnography Of Hilo, HI**
Taiki Sano, *The University of Tokyo*
- 4. Foods, Identities, Spaces, Gender In Malaysian Films: Kongs Raya (2022) & Sepet (2004)**
Hui Yan Chew, *Aichi Shukutoku University*
- 5. ABC Tea Room And Shundong Lou (順東樓): Food Memory Of Chinese Diasporic Intellectuals In 1930S And Wartime London**
Lu Zhang, *N/A*

86 Inter-Area/Border Crossing**PANEL****A-5****8:30 am - 10:00 am****From The Margins To The Centre: Gender, Power, And Resistance In South And Southeast Asian Contexts****Chair****Awais Rubbani**, *National University of Modern Languages***Organizer****Awais Rubbani**, *National University of Modern Languages***Presentations**

- 1. Gender Equity In Higher Education Institutions: The Case Of Brunei Darussalam**
Dr Sharifah Nurul Huda Alkaff, *Universiti Brunei Darussalam*
- 2. Gender, Power And Positionality In Research: Teaching Nascent Researchers To Use Feminist, Critical And Creative Approaches**
Khairunnisa Haji Ibrahim, *Universiti Brunei Darussalam*
- 3. The Representation Of Women Politicians In Pakistani English-Language Newspapers**
Awais Rubbani, *National University of Modern Languages*
- 4. Gender Vs Culture: A Critical Discourse Analysis Of Bapsi Sidhwa’s Novel Water**
Dr Muhammad Asif, *Government College University Faisalabad*
- 5. Negotiating Muslim Masculinities Through Sexual Identity And Marginalization In Bangladeshi And Malaysian Anglophone Stories**
Shafinur Nahar, *Asian University for Women, Bangladesh*

Discussants**Awais Rubbani**, *National University of Modern Languages***Khairunissa Ibrahim**, *Universiti Brunei Darussalm*

SDSB 106

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Gender At Work In Pakistan

Chair

Hadia Majid

Organizers

Karin Astrid Siegmann, ISS

Kaveri Qureshi, University of Edinburgh

Presentations

1. Negotiating Masculinity In A 'Feminized' Occupation: Narratives Of Male Domestic Workers Employed By Foreigners In Islamabad, Pakistan
Alia Amirali, Centre for Excellence in Gender Studies, Quaid-i-Azam University (CEGS)
2. A Situational Analysis Of Female Entrepreneurs In Rural Pakistan: Challenges And Way-Forward
Syeda Warda Riaz, Lahore University of Management Studies (LUMS)
3. Gender Dimensions Of Punjab Peasants' Movement: A Study In Resistance, Agency And The Gendered Limits
Khawar Mumtaz, former Chairperson of Pakistan's National Commission on the Status of Women (NCSW)
4. Agents Or Victims? The Resilience And Agency Of Female Home-Based Workers In Football Supply Chains
Farah Naz, University of Vienna
5. The Work Of War: Making Soldiers In The Pakistan Army
Maria Rashid, SOAS University of London

Discussant

Uma Rani Amara, International Labour Office (ILO)

A-9

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Interrogating Contemporary Politics Of Representation: Race And Religion In National And Global Imaginaries

Chair

Sunera Thobani, University of British Columbia

Organizer

Sunera Thobani, University of British Columbia

Presentations

1. The White Gaze: The Racial Politics Of International Development
Shama Dossa, Habib University
2. The White Gaze: The Racial Politics Of International Development
Sadaf Shalwanni, Independent Consultant
3. Nation, Religion, Belonging: Rethinking Muslim Presence In Popular Indian Cinema
Sunera Thobani, University of British Columbia
4. Partition's Many Descendants: Embodied Histories And The Impossibility Of Home In Diasporic Cinema
Dr. Sitara Thobani, School of Residential and Community-Engaged Arts and Humanities, Michigan State University

SDSB 205 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Japan And Asia: Entangled Histories Of Exchange And Perception

Chair

Ying-kit Chan

Organizer

Egas Moniz Bandeira, Friedrich Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg

Presentations

1. Rewriting Sinitic History In Manchu And Japanese Contexts
Norman Tietz, *Kyushu University*
2. Japan And Persia: Imagining Connections In The Early 20Th Century
Zahra Moharramipour, *International Research Center for Japanese Studies (Nichibunken)*
3. Interpreting Chinese Constitutional Reforms From A Japanese Perspective
Egas Moniz Bandeira, *Friedrich Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg*
4. The Social-Scientific Construction Of "Asiatic Society": Japan And The Making Of Knowledge On Asia, 1900-1945
Yufei Zhou, *International Research Center for Japanese Studies (Nichibunken)*

DiscussantZülâl Muslu, *Tilburg University*

SDSB 305 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Nationalism In The Cloud: The Cultural Politics Of Technological Self-Reliance In Asia

ChairJoefer Santarita, *Asian Center, University of the Philippines***Organizer**Joefer Santarita, *Asian Center, University of the Philippines***Presentations**

1. Digital Nationalism And The Politics Of Technological Autonomy In Pakistan
Fahad Nabeel, *Geopolitical Insights, Pakistan*
2. Techno-Nationalism And Cultural Identity: The State's Role In Branding 'Digital Korea'
Sunyoung Park, *Sejong University*
3. "HOKKAIDO LOVE!" Media Representation Of Ainu Peoples And The Need For Digital Sovereignty
Susan Dine, *Vanderbilt University*
4. Digital India And The Quest For Technological Sovereignty
Joefer Santarita, *Asian Center, University of the Philippines*
5. The Technonationalist Turn In Frontier AI: Evidence From China's LLM Ecosystem
Huang Fei, *Xiamen University*

SDSB 203 8:30 am - 10:00 am

On And Beyond The Imperial Borderland—War, Trade, Religion And Knowledge-Distribution On The Inner Asian Frontiers Of China

ChairYONGXI WANG, *HONG KONG CHU HAI COLLEGE***Organizer**YONGXI WANG, *HONG KONG CHU HAI COLLEGE***Presentations**

1. Cavalry Horses, Hippological Knowledge And The Former Han Frontiers Recorded In The Unearthed Manuscripts
SONGYU YANG, *Shanghai Civil Affairs Museum*
2. Coexisting With War: The Ordinary People Behind The Longqing Peace Agreement
JUNFENG TU, *The Chinese University of Hong Kong*
3. War And Horses: The Tea-Horse Trade And The Management Of Warhorses In The Ming Military
YONGXI WANG, *HONG KONG CHU HAI COLLEGE*
4. A Forgotten Tale: Ming-Mongol Geopolitical Rivalry With The Expansion Of Gelukpa In Kokonor Region From The Late 16Th To The Early 17Th Centuries
CHIH-HSI TSAL, *The Chinese University of Hong Kong*

A-7 8:30 am - 10:00 am

People And Paradigms: South Asia And The Constitution Of Itself

Chair

Ali Raza

OrganizersTushar Srivastava, *University of Texas at Austin*Nimra Farooq, *University of Texas at Austin***Presentations**

1. Bal Gangadhar Tilak: A Bridge Between Early Nationalism And Hindu Majoritarian Thought
Nimra Farooq, *University of Texas at Austin*
2. From Print To Prison: Hasrat Mohani In Mushahidat-E-Zindan
Hamna Shahzad, *University of Texas at Austin*
3. Between Empire, Religious Nationalism, And Sectarian Community Making: Sir Sultan Muhammad Shah Aga Khan III
Basharat Issa, *Habib University*
4. Nomos Beyond Nationalism: The Political Aesthetics Of Gajanan Madhav Muktibodh
Tushar Srivastava, *University of Texas at Austin*
5. Between Two Worlds: Nasreen Anjum Bhatti & Urdu-Punjabi Poetics
Kaleemullah Bashir, *University of Texas at Austin*

DiscussantBisma Barkat Ali, *SOAS University of London*

PANEL

A-1 8:30 am - 10:00 am

People In The Picture: Thai Murals Beyond Biographies And Myths

Chair

Pattaratorn Chirapravati

Organizer

Roni Wang, *Independent*

Presentations

1. Reflections On The Roles Of Women: Studies Of Temple Mural Paintings During The Reign Of King Mongkut Of Siam
M.L. Pattaratorn Chirapravati, *California State University*
2. Painting The Rhythm Of The North: Localizing Lanna Identity Through Dance Murals
Roni Wang, *Independent*
3. Foreigners In Thai Buddhist Narrative Painting: A Case Study From Late Ayutthaya To Early Rattanakosin Periods
Natchapol Sirisawad, *Chulalongkorn University*
4. Sex In The Sacred: Phap Kak, Cross-Species Eroticism, And Moral Anxiety In Thai Temple Murals
Sathaphum Boonma, *Independent*
5. Asura Ceremony In A Mural Painting At Wat Pho
Pathamawat, Songkhla
Thanaphat Limhasanaikul, *Independent*

ROUNDTABLE

A-3 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Representation, Authenticity And Post-Colonial Trauma: Decolonization Of “Desi Cuisine” In Interdisciplinary Everyday Practices.

Chair

Ammara Khalid, *National College of Arts, Lahore*

Organizer

Ammara Khalid, *National College of Arts, Lahore*

Discussants

Nadeem Alam, *UCAD Punjab University*
 Zohreen Murtaza, *National College of Arts, Lahore*
 Narimaan Aziz, *National College of Arts, Lahore*
 Rabiya Asim, *National College of Arts, Lahore*

PANEL

Sayeed Saigol Auditorium 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Rough And Tumble: Urban Life And Politics In South Asia

Chair

Daniel Waqar, *Tufts University*

Organizers

Daniel Waqar, *Tufts University*Sana Malik, *Emory University*

Presentations

1. People To The Power: “Unlawful Assembly,” Section 144, And The Construction Of The New Nation In South Asia, C. 1947-1965
Daniel Waqar, *Tufts University*
2. Documentation Violence: An Ethnography Of Imperial Harm After Afghanistan Abstract
Nasim Fekrat, *University of California, Irvine*
3. Tracing The Rough Edges Of Reciprocity: Charity, Protest, And Civil Society In Karachi
Salwa Tareen, *Leiden Institute of Cultural Anthropology and Developmental Sociology*
4. The Politics Of Friendship In Urban Pakistan
Sana Malik, *Emory University*

Discussant

Sherine Hamdy, *University of California, Irvine - Department of Anthropology*

PANEL

SDSB 102 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Sounding And Scripting The Sacred: Vernacular Epistemologies Across Manuscript, Archive, And Performance In South Asia

Chair

Sabeena Shaikh, *The Australian National University*

Organizer

Sabeena Shaikh, *The Australian National University*

Presentations

1. A Gandhārī Manuscript: Reframing The BāVarī Narrative
Joseph Marino, *University of Washington*
2. Between Script And Song: Manuscript Materiality And The Transregional Circulation Of VidyāPati's Padas across Mithilā, Nepal, And Bengal
Christopher Diamond, *Australian National University*
3. Ghalib's Poetic Versification Of Theological/Philosophical Islamic Questions In Late Mughal India
Zahra Sabri, *Habib University*
4. Seasons Of Marriage: Muslim Women's Urdu Seasonal Songs, Barahmasa Poetics, And Archive
Sabeena Shaikh, *The Australian National University*

Discussant

Daniel Majchrowicz, *Northwestern University*

A-12 8:30 am - 10:00 am

South Asia At Center Stage: New Media, New Sounds, New Theories

ChairVictor Vicente, *Chinese Univeristy of Hong Kong, Shenzhen***Organizer**Victor Vicente, *Chinese Univeristy of Hong Kong, Shenzhen***Presentations**

1. Composition As Collaborative Collective: A New Musical Dilettantism In A Metamodern Bollywood Era
Natalie Sarrazin, *State University of New York at Brockport*
2. "Utterly Butterly" Nationalism: Staying In Tune With The Amul Girl
Xiao Zhang, *Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen*
3. From "Fantastic" Racism To "Marvelous" Orientalism And Beyond: Musical Portrayals Of South Asia(Ns) In Comicbook-Inspired Audiovisual Media
Victor Vicente, *Chinese Univeristy of Hong Kong, Shenzhen*

A-2 8:30 am - 10:00 am

The 'Blindness' Of European Studies About The Indo-Pacific And Asian Studies

Chair

Edwin Michielsens

OrganizerRoland Vogt, *The University of Hong Kong***Presentations**

1. In Search Of Autonomous Knowledge System? Mapping European Studies In China In An Era Of Transformation
Shaohua Yan, *Fudan University*
2. India, Europe And The Indo-Pacific: Convergence And Divergence
Sinderpal Singh, *Nanyang Technological University*
3. The Indo-Pacific, Asian Studies And The Future Of European Diplomacy
Roland Vogt, *The University of Hong Kong*

SDSB 104 8:30 am - 10:00 am

The Multilingual Worlds Of Devotion In South Asia

ChairRita Kothari, *Ashoka University, India***Organizers**

Rita Kothari, *Ashoka University, India*
 Sanchit Toor, *Ashoka University, India*

Presentations

1. Worlds Networked With Words
Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, *Wellesley College, USA*
2. Translation And The Language Of Devotion
Nitya Pawar, *JK Lakshimpat University, India*
3. Hindi Bhakti Within Sindh: The Story Of Sur Hindi Barvo In 'Shah Jo Rag'
Bisharat Lanjwani, *University of Sindh, Pakistan*
4. Walking With Kabir In Eleven Languages In Translation
Sanchit Toor, *Ashoka University, India*

DiscussantRita Kothari, *Ashoka University, India*

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Theorizing Digital Realities From South Korea, Taiwan, The Philippines, And India

ChairStephanie Dimatulac Santos, *Chulalongkorn University***Organizer**Stephanie Dimatulac Santos, *Chulalongkorn University***Presentations**

1. Building Cross-Class Solidarity In Platform Capitalism: Delivery Workers And Small Business Owners In South Korea
Seonok Lee, *University of Groningen*
2. A City Without Frictions? Circulation, Contact, And Connection In Platformized Seoul
Noel Chung, *University of Cambridge*
3. Artificial Intelligence's Bargaining Chip: Migrant Workers And The Negotiation Of Spatial Fix In The Semiconductor Industry
Katherine M. Zhou, *University of Oxford*
4. Life-Making In Filipino Smart City Imaginaries
Stephanie Dimatulac Santos, *Chulalongkorn University*
5. Coping With Uncertainty, Collectively: The Case Of Platform-Based Gig Workers In India
Janaki Srinivasan, *University of Oxford*

SAHSOL 0-01

8:30 am - 10:00 am

The Urban Echoes Of Agrarian Dispossession: Land And Livelihoods Across The City And The Country

Chair

Fizzah Sajjad, *Mahbub ul Haq Research Center, LUMS & London School of Economics & Political Science*

Organizers

Fizzah Sajjad, *Mahbub ul Haq Research Center, LUMS & London School of Economics & Political Science*

Ayesha Shahid, *York University*

Presentations

1. **Failure By 'Plan': Understanding Perpetual Demolitions In A Master-Planned City**
Ayesha Shahid, York University
2. **Accumulation By Juridical Dispossession: Law And Legality As Co-Conspirators In Pakistan's Contemporary Enclosures**
Aisha Ahmad, Lahore University of Management Sciences
3. **Gated Out/Cordoned Off: Urban Villages, Land Transformations, And Community Responses To Dispossession In Lahore's Peripheries.**
Fizzah Sajjad, Mahbub ul Haq Research Center, LUMS & London School of Economics & Political Science
4. **The Cast/E Of Agrochemical Retailing: Agrarian Transformations In India**
Aniket Aga, State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo
5. **The Double Displacement Of Yangon's Urban Poor: Dispossession In Post-Coup Myanmar**
Vishnu Prasad, London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE)

Discussant

Tayebe Batool, *University of Pennsylvania*

SDSB 301

8:30 am - 10:00 am

The Virtual Border: Digitization, Technology And The Making Of Memory

Chair

Manahil Raza, *LUMS*

Organizers

Manahil Raza, *LUMS*

Fahad Naveed, *University of British Columbia*

Presentations

1. **Lahore's National History Museum: Partition And The Nation**
Manahil Raza, LUMS
2. **Visualising And Crossing The Virtual Border: Digital Mediation In 'Separation's Geography'**
Fahad Naveed, University of British Columbia
3. **Digitizing The Colonial Gaze: The Afterlives Of Torii Ryūzō's Anthropometric Archive**
Hannuri Lim, Korean National Commission for UNESCO
4. **Kolkata Partition Museum: Material Memory Through Subaltern Narratives Of Involuntary Migration**
Aurgho Jyoti, Aur (Architecture Urbanism Research)

Discussants

Timothy Cooper, *University of Cambridge*

Sadia Shirazi, *University of British Columbia*

PANEL

A-11 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Traditions In Transition: Material Heritage, Fashion, And Popular Imagery In South Asia**Chair****Sarah Umer**, *University of the Punjab Lahore***Organizer****Sarah Umer**, *University of the Punjab Lahore***Presentations**

- 1. Imperially Modest Garb: Tracing Major Trends Of South Asian Sartorial Culture From 3Rd Century BCE To 13Th Century CE**
Tayyab Qaisrani, *National College of Arts, Lahore*
- 2. Continuity Of Royal Expression: Sikh-Era Men's Attire And Its Influence On Modern Pakistani Fashion**
Anum Rauf, *Beaconhouse National University*
- 3. Crafting Continuity: A Qualitative Exploration Of Hand Block Printing As Sustainable Heritage In Punjab**
Asna Mubashra, *University of the Punjab Lahore*
- 4. Street As Archives: Lollywood Posters As Vernacular Art History And Indigenous Epistemology In The Global South**
Ayesha Latif, *University of Management and Technology, Lahore*
- 5. From Court To Canvas: Exploring The Shifting Contexts In The Neo-Miniature Of Pakistan**
Sadia Safdar, *Govt. Associate College for Women Manga Mandi Lahore*

Discussants**Fakir Syed Aijazuddin**, *Independent Scholar***Musarrat Hasan**, *Retired Professor, Lahore College for Women University*

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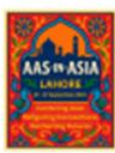
Youth Movements In South Asia: Sri Lanka, Bangladesh And Nepal**Chair****Mohammad Waseem**, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)***Organizer****Mohammad Waseem**, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)***Presentations**

- 1. Youth Movement In Sri Lanka**
Rajni Gamage, *National University Singapore*
- 2. The New Youth Politics In Bangladesh: July Uprising And After**
Mirza Hassan, *BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh*
- 3. Nepal's Gen-Z Movement: New Hopes And Old Challenges**
Santosh Proudell, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal*

Discussant**Amit Sharma Ranjan**, *National University Singapore*

10:00 am - 12:00 pm American Institute of Peace Studies Open House — VC Faculty Lounge

10:00 am - 10:30 am Tea-break



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Archives Of Hope And Resistance: Tracing Transnational Progressive Politics Across South Asia	Beyond Encounter(S): Congress For Cultural Freedom Periodicals And Cold War Cultural Exchange In Asia.
Chair	Chair
Medha Medha	Yukari Yoshihara, <i>University of Tsukuba, Japan</i>
Organizer	Organizer
Shubranshu Mishra, <i>University of Exeter</i>	Raj Lakhi Sen, <i>Kanazawa University, Japan</i>
Presentations	Presentations
1. Love, Sex, And Self-Respect Marriages: Anti-Caste Progressive Politics In The Colonial Tamil Diaspora Kalathmika Natarajan, <i>University of Exeter</i>	1. 1. Melek ÇELİK (Assistant Professor, Canakkale University, Turkey) Deciphering Periodicals Linked To CCF During Cold War From ‘Middle-East’ Melek ÇELİK, <i>Canakkale University, Turkey</i>
2. Refiguring Censorship: Progressive Writers Between Colonial And Postcolonial Regimes In South Asia Fatima Naveed, <i>University of Edinburgh</i>	2. Beyond Freedom And Peace: South Asia’s Role In The Transnational Cultural Cold War Raj Lakhi Sen, <i>Kanazawa University</i>
3. Revolutionary Hope In Dark Times: Performing Faiz In Ajoka And Jana Natya Manch Aparna Mahiyaria, <i>University of Exeter</i>	3. Amorphous Anticommunism: Horison From 1970-1986 In Indonesia Amado Anthony G. Mendoza III, <i>Kyoto University, University of the Philippines Diliman, Philippines/ Japan</i>
4. The Rise And Fall Of Progressive Hindi Cinema: Reimagining National Identity, Social Justice And Democratic Pluralism Through Multilingual Cinema Shubranshu Mishra, <i>University of Exeter</i>	4. Global Cultural In Cold Wars: Japan And Asian Intelengencia Of CCF Networkings Yukari Yoshihara, <i>University of Tsukuba, Japan</i>
Discussant	
Salma Malik, <i>Quaid-i-Azam University</i>	

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 203

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Building And Reclaiming Majority World Epistemologies: Feminist, Decolonial, And Creative Approaches To Research And Evaluation In South Asia

Chair

Sunera Thobani

Organizers

Shama Dossa, *Habib University*

Sadaf Shallwani, *Niyat Pathways*

Discussants

Sana Haroon, *University Massachusetts, Boston*

Farid Punjwani, *Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development*

Sadaf Shallwani, *Niyat Pathways*

Sahibzada Mayed, *Pause & Effect*

Haya Fatima, *Habib University*

PANEL

A-14

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Conflict And Development Nexus: Capitalizing The Socio-Economic Impacts And Gender Experiences In Conflict Ridden Areas Of Pakistan

Chair

Dr. Ikram Shah, *Department of Development Studies, COMSATS University Islamabad, Abbottabad Campus*

Organizer

Tabassum Majeed, *Department of Political Science, Islamia College University Peshawar, Peshawar Pakistan*

Presentations

1. Conflict And Development Nexus In Conflict Ridden Tribal Areas Of Pakistan

Dr. Ikram Shah, *Department of Development Studies, COMSATS University Islamabad, Abbottabad Campus*

2. Reimagining Borders: Unveiling The Socio-Economic Tapestry In Pakistan's Tribal Regions Post-US Withdrawal From Afghanistan

Dr. Shakir Ullah, *Center for International Peace and Stability, NUST Islamabad, Pakistan*

3. Swat's Women And Taliban Resurgence In Afghanistan: Local Narratives And Socially Constructed Realities

Ms. Tabassum Majeed, *Department of Political Science, Islamia College University Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan*

4. The Gendered Psychology Of "Barri": Mental Load, Emotional Dissonance, And Well-Being Among Working Women In Pakistan

Dr. Saima Arzeen, *Department of Psychology, University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan*

5. Shifting Livelihoods At The Edge: Socio-Economic Challenges In Chaman After The U.S. Withdrawal From Afghanistan

Dr. Romana Abmreen, *Department of Geography and Regional Planning university of Baluchistan Quetta*

Discussant

Dr. Shakir Ullah, *Center for International Peace and Stability, NUST Islamabad, Pakistan*

SDSB 102 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Contesting The City: Everyday Aesthetics And Embodied Negotiations Of Urban Space In China

ChairAyesha Farooq Kisana, *University of Melbourne***Organizer**Teresa Irigoyen-Lopez, *University of Oxford***Presentations**

1. From Graffiti To Slogan: Ugly Writing On The Wall As Resistance In Contemporary China
Han Sun, *University of Oxford*
2. Architecture Of Insomnia: Illuminating Absence In A Chinese Overseas Migrant Village
Teresa Irigoyen-Lopez, *University of Oxford*
3. "We Are Just Neighbors Here": The Art Of Neighboring In Urban Space
Faye Xu, *University of Amsterdam*
4. The Rhythms And Liminalities In Walking A Chinese Temple; A Young Visitor's Account To The Temple Of City God, Shanghai
Ayesha Farooq Kisana, *University of Melbourne*

A-9 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Diasporic Imaginations: Reconstructing Home, Identity, And Belonging Across Borders

Chair

Antonio Fiori

OrganizerLicia Proserpio, *University of Bologna***Presentations**

1. (Re)Imagining The Home: A Quest For The "Real" Pakistan As Defined In The Diaspora Imagination
Tania Saeed, *LUMS*
2. Diasporic Schooling And Imagined Indianness: Constructing Belonging Among Indian Communities In Tokyo.
Marie Lall, *UCL*
3. Generations Of Resistance: Shifting Forms Of Activism In The Myanmar Diaspora In Italy
Licia Proserpio, *University of Bologna*
4. Digital Intimacies In The South Korean Female Diaspora: Online Spaces As New Forms Of Collective Care For Korean Women Abroad
Clara Latorraca, *University of Bologna*

DiscussantAnushay Malik, *Simon Fraser University*

A-3 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Emperor Qianlong's Regime Of Space: Visual Orders Of Identity, Religion, And Knowledge In Qing China

ChairDong Han, *University of Warwick***Organizer**Dong Han, *University of Warwick***Presentations**

1. Centering The Empire: Qianlong's Spatial Reconstruction Of Mount Meru In The Xumi Fushou Temple
Yingxin Li, *University of Chicago*
2. Qianlong's Foreign Monkey: Geopolitics, Qing Court Art, And Global Natural History Imagery In Eighteen-Century China
Kinyu Chen, *SOAS*
3. Under The Literati Guise: Daoist Motifs In Qianlong's Masquerade Portraits
Zhen Huang, *Chongqing University*
4. Qianlong's Antiquities And Female Beauties: The Disciplined Talents In Qing Court Art
Jian Shi, *Independent Scholar, NYU Graduate*

DiscussantDong Han, *University of Warwick*

A-11 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Empowerment, Agency And Norms: Multi-Disciplinary Understandings Of Women's Decision-Making

ChairRabea Malik, *IDEAS***Organizer**Hadia Majid, *LUMS***Presentations**

1. Productive Vs. Reproductive Work: Rethinking The Relationship
Hadia Majid, *LUMS*
2. Demand For Power And Control In Consumption Decisions In The Household
Farah Said, *LUMS*
3. A Qualitative Study Of Education And Gender Norms Urban Communities In Punjab And Sindh
Rabea Malik, *IDEAS*
4. Gender Norms And Female Labor Force Participation: A Multi-Country Comparative Qualitative Analyses In South Asia
Rabia Saeed, *LUMS*

DiscussantRashid Memon, *Qatar University*

PANEL

SDSB 305 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Expanded Reals: Aesthetics Of Excess In Contemporary South Asian Cinemas

Chair

Komal Nazir, *Oklahoma State University*

Organizer

Komal Nazir, *Oklahoma State University*

Presentations

1. The Cinema Of Suspended Gesture: Muteness And Potentiality In Contemporary South Asia
Salman Rafique, *Oklahoma State University*
2. The Feral And The Surreal: Urban Exhaustion In Sister Midnight
Sara Ali, *Quaid e Azam University Islamabad*
3. Genealogies Of Silence In Queer Pakistani Media
Labiba Naeem, *University of Toronto*
4. Atmospheric Excess And The Grotesque Real In Tumbbad
Komal Nazir, *Oklahoma State University*

PANEL

SDSB 106 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Framing The Frontier

Chair

Waleed Mir, *George Washington University*

Organizer

Waleed Mir, *George Washington University*

Presentations

1. Paper Title: Moral Capital In The Afghan Borderland: Qur'ānic Pedagogy, Reform, And Religious Authority Of Sa'īD AmīR Mulā
Altaf Qadir, *University of Peshawar*
2. Manifestos Of Change In The Afghan Borderland: An Analysis Into The Language Of Revolt, Hope And Social Transformation 1970-1990
Danyal Masood, *University of Peshawar*
3. Turbulent Frontier Or Beautiful Wastelands? The Role Of Photography And Conquest In The Anglo-Afghan War, 1919-1920
Shifa Nouman, *Duke University*
4. Khudai Khidmatgari's Genealogies
Waleed Mir, *George Washington University*

Discussant

Benjamin Hopkins, *George Washington University*

PANEL

A-1 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

From Disjunction To Community:

Chair

Bo Chen

Organizer

Xinrui Zhang, *Umass Amherst*

Presentations

1. From Disjunction To Community: Sino-U.S. Transnational Exchanges In Agroecology, 1980-1990
Xinrui Zhang, *Umass, Amherst*
2. The 1960S Movement Against Nuclear Power Plants In Niigata Prefecture: Japanese Political Parties, Grassroots Organizations, And Technoscientific Power
Yanru Chen, *East China Normal University*
3. "Paradigm Shift": The Origin, Process, And Implications Of China's Launch Of The U.S. AsiaSat 1
Zheyi Wang, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*
4. Insect Diplomacy? Sino-U.S. Joint Pest Management In Agricultural Exchange (1971-1979)
Hua Peng, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

Discussants

Bo Chen, *East China Normal University*Zheyi Wang, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-01 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Gender, Bodies, And Resistance: Negotiating Power And Marginality In Indonesian Cultural And Literary Practices

Chair

Rara Rastri Widyakinasih, *Universitas Diponegoro*

Organizers

Laras Setyaningsih, *Universitas Indonesia*Nita Puspita Sari, *Universitas Indonesia*

Presentations

1. Panca Dharma Wanita: Gender Roles, State Control, And The Confines Of Indonesian Womanhood Under The New Order Regime
Rara Rastri Widyakinasih, *Universitas Diponegoro*
2. Beauty, Morality, And Social Control: A Historical Study Of Makeup And Attire Practices In Ngawi, East Java, Indonesia, 1960-2000
Laras Setyaningsih, *Universitas Indonesia*
3. Surabaya Ludruk: Performativity, Social Criticism, Gender Representation, And Aesthetic Adaptation In Urban Cultural Negotiation
Rekno Wulandari Pambudi, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*
4. Gendered Resistance And Marginal Voices: Exploring Women And Power In Dian Purnomo's Novels
Nita Puspita Sari, *Universitas Indonesia*
5. Rubber Cloth And Resistance: Material Culture, Gender, And Everyday Creativity Under Japanese Occupation In Java (1942-1945)
Asri Hayati Nufus, *Universitas Indonesia*

Discussants

Asri Hayati Nufus, *Universitas Indonesia*Rekno Wulandari Pambudi, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*

PANEL

SDSB 301 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
Gender Violence And Power Dynamics In Pakistan: Issues And Solutions

Chair

Iqra Riaz, *University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia*

Organizer

Arshad Mehmood, *Women University of AJ&K Bagh*

Presentations

- 1. Socio-Cultural Lens Embedding In Legitimate Violence Constructs And Counter Narratives In Pakistani Language**
Arshad Mehmood, *Women University of AJ&K Bagh*
- 2. Intersectionality In Discourse: Comparing Linguistic Constructions Of Violence Among Rural And Urban Pakistani Women**
Shabina Rashid, *University of Kotli AJK*
- 3. Negotiating Violence, Navigating Power: Building Resilience Among Pakistani Women With Experiences Of Domestic Violence**
Iqra Riaz, *University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia*

Discussants

Shabina Rashid, *University of Kotli*

Ghulam Yasin Jaffar, *University of Baluchistan & Centre of Excellence, Baluchistan*

PANEL

SDSB 104 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
Gulf Migration: Social, Cultural And Economic Connections And Transformations

Chair

Ayaz Qureshi, *University of Edinburgh*

Organizer

Ayaz Qureshi, *University of Edinburgh*

Presentations

- 1. Lifelines: An Ethnography Of Debt And Health Of Nepali Migrant Workers In The GCC**
Jeevan Sharma, *University of Edinburgh*
- 2. Aging And Migration In The Gulf: Multigenerational Families Navigating Retirement In The UAE**
Idil Akinci, *University of Edinburgh*
- 3. Chanting The Shores, Mooring In The City: Transnational Cultural Actors Between Dubai And Iran**
Amin Moghadam, *Toronto Metropolitan University*
- 4. Suitcase Economies: Migrants And Airports, A Form Of Informal Trade Between South Asia And The Gulf**
Misba Bhatti, *Georgetown University, Qatar*

PANEL

SDSB 304

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Ink And Empire: Some Distinguished Aspects Of Urdu Literature And Press Of Early Colonial Punjab And India

Chair

Sajid Siddique Nizami, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*

Organizer

Sajid Siddique Nizami, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*

Presentations

1. **Reassessing Orientalist Perspectives On Urdu Print Culture: Garcin De Tassy And The Urdu Press In Colonial India (1850-1877)**
Shahzaman Haque, *INALCO, Paris*
2. **Imagining Otherwise: MaḡHzan And The Punjab In Urdu Literary Culture**
Zain R. Mian, *University of Toronto, Canada*
3. **Reframing Values: The Rise Of A New Social And Literary Milieu In Punjab Through Reform Societies**
Sajid Siddique Nizami, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*
4. **The Emergence Of Lahore As A Literary And Cultural Center In Late 19Th Century Urdu Novels**
Sumaira Umar, *Government Shalimar Graduate College, Lahore*

Discussants

Sajid Siddique Nizami, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*

Sumaira Umar, *Government Shalimar Graduate College, Lahore*

PANEL

A-7

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Lahore Reimagined: Decolonizing Urban Visual Culture In Asia's Transforming Cityscapes

Chair

Asna Mubashra, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*

Organizer

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Presentations

1. **Carved Narratives: Exploring Cultural Identity And Heritage Through Ancient Wooden Doors Of Lahore**
Asma Kamal, *Hazrat Ayesha Siddiqa Model Degree & Commerce College, Lahore*
2. **Tracing The Sacred Star In The Sikh Architecture Of Lahore: A Cross-Cultural Journey Of The 8-Pointed Star Across Borders**
Humna Qais, *Lahore College for Women University*
3. **Decolonizing The Bazaar: Lahore Beyond The Colonial Lens**
Umama Mohsin, *Beaconhouse National University*
4. **From Streets To Screens: Art, Media, And Social Justice In Contemporary Lahore**
Yasra Haider Rizvi, *University of the Punjab*
5. **Decolonizing Religious Art History In Lahore: Indigenous Archives, Iconography, And Social Engagement Beyond The Colonial Gaze**
Sarah Umer, *University of the Punjab, Lahore*

Discussants

Rifaat Saif Dar, *Lahore College for Women University*

Ijaz ul Hassan, *President, National Artist Association of Pakistan*

ROUNDTABLE

A-13 / MCB Auditorium

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Law And Modernity's Epistemologies: Perspectives On _South Asia, The British Empire, And The Rise Of Classical Legal Thought_

Chair

Razak Khan

Organizer

Faisal Chaudhry, *University of Massachusetts School of Law*

Discussants

Upal Chakrabarti, *Presidency University Kolkata (Department of History)*

Sara Holz, *Humboldt University Berlin (Institute of Asian and African Studies)*

Zubair Abbasi, *Royal Holloway University of London (Faculty of Law)*

PANEL

A-16

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Living And Struggling Across Borders: Myanmar Migrants On The China-Myanmar And Thailand-Myanmar Frontiers

Chair

Zhuo Niu, *Freie Universität Berlin*

Organizer

Zhuo Niu, *Freie Universität Berlin*

Presentations

1. **"Today Has Hope, Tomorrow Has No Future": Everyday Life, Spatial Practices, And Consumption Among Myanmar Nationals In Ruili, China**
Diandian Zhang, *Yunnan University*
2. **Networked Symbiosis In Liminal Legality: Burmese Women's Survival Strategies In China's Jade Trade**
Jie Li, *Khon Kaen University*
3. **Post-Pandemic Border Regime(S) On The China-Myanmar Frontier: An Ethnographic Study In Ruili, Yunnan**
Zhuo Niu, *Freie Universität Berlin*
4. **Transnational Everyday Life And Practice Of Myanmar Migrants: Focusing On Mae Sot, Thailand After 2021**
Eunjeong Lee, *Seoul National University*

PANEL

SDSB 101 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Mediating Asia: Textual, Visual, And Embodied Forms Of Knowledge And Emotion

Chair

Wei Guo, *University of Göttingen*

Organizer

Wei Guo, *University of Göttingen*

Presentations

1. Visual Politics And Cinematic Diplomacy: The Production, Dissemination, And Reception Of The 1932 Documentary War In China
Jiahui Fang, *Nanjing Normal University*
2. How Patriotism Should Be: The Debate Between The Dong San Sheng Minbao And The Shengjing Times, 1924-1925
Yue Zhou, *Kyoto University*
3. Spirit Mediumship And The Reconstruction Of Collective Consciousness: Postwar Popular Religion In The Former Manchurian Borderland
Yu SUN, *École Pratique des Hautes Études-PSL*
4. Gendered Epistemology In Postwar Japan: Rationality, Affectivity, And Zainichi Koreans In Ōshima Nagisa's Death By Hanging (1968)
Wei Guo, *University of Göttingen*

Discussant

Yuanqi Yang, *Waseda University*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 205 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Narratives Of Resistance: Gender, Power And Marginality In Contemporary Urdu Short Stories

Chair

Aqlima Naz

Organizer

Tahir Nawaz, *Karakoram International University, Gilgit-Baltistan*

Discussants

Ghulam Farida, *International Islamic University Islamabad*
 Tahir Nawaz, *Karakoram International University, Gilgit-Baltistan*
 Aqlima Naz, *Fatima Jinnah Women University Islamabad*

A-8

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Negotiating Fragile Futures: Youth, Agency, And Everyday Peace In The Borderlands Of Pakistan

Chair

Ahmad Naeem, *Department of English Language and Literature, Gomal University, D.I.Khan. KPK.*

Organizer

Ahmad Naeem, *Department of English Language and Literature, Gomal University, D.I.Khan. KPK.*

Presentations

1. Reimagining Youth Identities, Cross-Border Connections, And Everyday Peace In Azad Kashmir: Toward Inclusive Futures In South Asia

Tahzeeb Mahreen, *Department of Education, Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir Bagh*

2. Imagining Far-Reaching South Asian Future: Youth Agency, Cross-Border Ties, And Peacebuilding In Balochistan

Gul Khanda, *Sardar Bahadur Khan Women University, Sub-Campus Nushki, Balochistan*

3. Emotion, Agency, And Gender Norms: A Sociopsychological Study Of Young Women's Peace Practices In Azad Kashmir

Iqra Riaz, *Department of Psychology, University of Kotli AJ&K, Kotli Azad Kashmir*

4. Thin Maps, Stubborn Dreams: Youth Agency In Balochistan's Borderlands

Palwasha Khan Jomezai, *Department of Linguistics and Philology, University of Balochistan*

A-6

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Persianate Epistolography In And Beyond Mughal South Asia

Chair

Daniel Morgan, *Santa Clara*

Organizer

Daniel Morgan, *Santa Clara*

Presentations

1. "Benefactor Of The Two Worlds": Revisiting Naqshbandi-State Relations Through The Political Letters Of MiRzā Mazhar JāN-I JāNāN (D. 1781)

Daniel Morgan, *Santa Clara University*

2. Himayat And Hukumat: The Petitions Of Abdullah Khan Firuz Jang

Ali Gibran Siddiqui, *Institute of Business Administration, Karachi*

3. What Elizabeth Sharaf Un-Nisa Left Behind: Persian Correspondence Between Azimabad, Kolkata, Purnea, And Devon In The 18Th Century

Megan Robb, *University of Pennsylvania*

PANEL

A-13 / MCB Auditorium 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Reconfiguring Asia Along The Belt And Road: Infrastructure, Ecology And Plural Temporalities

Chair

Yongjia Liang

Organizer

Komal Niazi, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China

Presentations

1. **Industrilization, Ecology And Heritage: Reconfiguring Landscapes Along The CPEC Corridor**
Komal Niazi, Institute of Anthropology, School of Social Development, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China
2. **Why Has The Tribe Never Receded? Patrilineal Tribes (Ru) And Tribal Confederations (JüZ) In Kazakhstan's Nation-Building — A Dual-Track Strategy Of Selective Incorporation And Delimitation**
Patihaxi. Talafubieke, Department of Sociology, Zhejiang University (ZJU), Hangzhou, China.
3. **Social Rhythm Of Tajik Ethnic Groups- Daily Life And Its Festivals**
Mingyue Liu, Department of Sociology, Zhejiang University (ZJU), Hangzhou, China.
4. **Life Under The Eye: Envy And Muslim Women's Everyday Life In Upper Egypt**
Haiyun Huang, Department of Sociology, Zhejiang University (ZJU), Hangzhou, China.
5. **The Chinese Model: Neither Western Nor Traditional, Neither Modern Nor Ancient**
Zhu Jialiang, Department of Sociology, Zhejiang University (ZJU), Hangzhou, China.

Discussant

Yongjia Liang, Department of Sociology at Zhejiang University, China

PANEL

A-3 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Refiguring Connections Within And Beyond Gandhara

Chair

Jason Neelis, Wilfrid Laurier University

Organizer

Jason Neelis, Wilfrid Laurier University

Presentations

1. **The Gandhari Buddhist Manuscript Collection At The Islamabd Museum, Pakistan: Preserving Pakistan's Unique Buddhist Literary Heritage**
Mark Allon, University of Sydney
2. **Transregional Connections And Cultural Memories Reflected In Rock Art And Inscriptions Of The Upper Indus**
Murtaza Taj, Lahore University of Management Sciences
3. **Bodhisattvas Of The Indus River**
Christopher Wilvert, Wilfrid Laurier University
4. **A GāNdhāRi Version Of The VeḷUdvāReyya-Sutta: A Preliminary Study Of Senior Collection Scroll No. 13**
Kanata Kawasaki, International College for Postgraduate Buddhist Studies (ICABS), Tokyo

PANEL

SDSB 103

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Re-Imagining Pluralised Asias Through Literature: Nuclearity, Warfare, Development, And Ecology

Chair

Ryota Nishi, *Chuo University*

Organizer

Ryota Nishi, *Chuo University*

Presentations

- 1. A Nuclear-Assisted High-Tech Hospital In The Himalayas: H. G. Wells' The World Set Free And The Geopolitics Of British Orientalism**
Hajime Saito, *University of Tsukuba*
- 2. From War Memory To Cultural Reconstruction: Centering Asia In Yasushi Inoue's Tun-Huang**
Hiroyo Sugimoto, *Meiji University*
- 3. Representations Of Vietnam In Japanese Vietnam War Literature**
Zhang Ya, *University of Tsukuba*
- 4. Where Have All The Revolutionary Torches Gone? : The Politics Of Cold Warfare And Environmental Criticism**
Ryota Nishi, *Chuo University*

PANEL

A-2

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Resilient Ecologies, Enduring Relations: Human-Beyond-Human Worldmaking Across Central & South Asia

Chair

Dr. Saba Pirzadeh

Organizers

Dr. Fiona K. Naeem, *Ethnological Museum Berlin, North African, West and Central Asian Collection*

Errah Fawad, *Adelphi University, Anthropology Department*

Presentations

- 1. Balancing DīN And Dunyā: The Environment And Cultural Resilience In Transborder Pamir**
Dr. Fiona K. Naeem, *Ethnological Museum Berlin, North African, West and Central Asian Collection*
- 2. Tree Multiplicities & Beyond-Human Worlds In Pakistan**
Zahra S. Ali, *University of Connecticut, Department of Plant Science & Landscape Architecture*
- 3. Glacier Babies, Ice Weddings & Funeral Rites In The Hindu-Kush Himalayas**
Errah Fawad, *Adelphi University, Anthropology Department*
- 4. A Dhikr Of Nila: Ways Of Thinking, Knowing And Being With Land And Water**
Hira Rasool, *Architect and Independent Researcher*

PANEL

A-1 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
Scripting The Nation: Literature, Performance, And The Politics Of Post-Colonial Identity

Chair

Afsheen Salahuddin

Organizers

Zunaira Nadeem, *IBA Karachi*

Joseph Scalice, *History Department, Hong Kong Baptist University*

Presentations

- 1. Bright Doors, Fractured Borders: Identity And Narrative Imagination In Vajra Chandrasekera's The Saint Of Bright Doors**
Zunaira Nadeem, *Department of Social Science and Liberal Arts, IBA Karachi*
- 2. Red-Baiting Rizal: Anti-Communism And The Creation Of The Philippine Literary Canon**
Joseph Scalice, *History Department, Hong Kong Baptist University*
- 3. The Architecture Of Voice: Baloch Women's Redefined Representational Presence In Folk Literature**
Imrana Rasheed, *English, Government Girls Degree College Turbat*
- 4. Re-Examining Resistance In Diaspora Spaces: A Reading Of South Asian Diasporic Fiction**
Fauzia Amin, *English Department, Government College Women University Faisalabad*
- 5. Body As Border: Choreographed Masculinity And Ambivalent Enmity At Purjosh Wagah**
Muhammad Usman, *Transcultural studies, University of Heidelberg*

Discussant

Maryam Daud, *Centre for International and Regional Studies, Georgetown University in Qatar*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 204 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
Storytelling As A Generative Framework For Enhancing Youth Engagement In Bridging The Urban-Rural Divide In Pakistan: An Exploration Of How Narratives Serve To Convey Place And Identity

Chair

Zubda Zia

Organizer

Paul Edleman, *Sauk Valley Community College*

Discussants

Paul Edleman, *Sauk Valley Community College*

Farah Habib, *Bristol Community College*

Numrah Mehmood, *Kinnaird College for Women*

Zoya Shaffay, *Kinnaird College for Women*

PANEL

A-5 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
“The ‘D’ In Dubai Is For Desi”: Exploring South Asian Diaspora Formations In The UAE

Chair

Sreya Mitra, *American University of Sharjah*

Organizer

Sreya Mitra, *American University of Sharjah*

Presentations

- 1. Rethinking Fandom Discourses In A Diasporic Setting: How Emirati Influencers And Content Creators Serve As Cultural Ambassadors Between The UAE And South Asia**
Sreya Mitra, *American University of Sharjah*
- 2. Migrants As Stakeholders: South Asian Class, Politics, And Mobility In And Through The UAE’s Emerging Knowledge Economy**
Mohammad Amaan Siddiqui, *University of California, Irvine*
- 3. “Middling Madams”: Gender, Informal Economy, And Class Fluidity In The United Arab Emirates**
Manal Nadeem, *American University of Sharjah*
- 4. Where Desi Begins: Reimagining Belonging Across South Asian Borders In The UAE**
Zainab Qureshi, *American University of Sharjah*

Discussant

Neha Vora, *American University of Sharjah*

PANEL

A-4 **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**
The Epistemology Of Epidemics: Belief, Politics, And Narrative

Chair

Youdiil Ophinni, *The Hakubi Center for Advanced Research, Kyoto University*

Organizers

Youdiil Ophinni, *The Hakubi Center for Advanced Research, Kyoto University*

Anna Dulina, *Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies, Kyoto University*

Presentations

- 1. Religious Narratives And Vaccination In Nineteenth-Century Japan: Pro Et Contra**
Anna Dulina, *Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies, Kyoto University*
- 2. Supernatural Beliefs Encode Knowledge About Malaria But Inhibit Uptake Of Biomedical Interventions Among Siberut Mentawai**
Dimas Iqbal Romadhon, *Department of Anthropology, University of California, Davis*
- 3. Epidemic Narratives And Developmental Anxiety: Drugs, Youth, And Media Storytelling In New Order Indonesia**
Chika Yamada, *Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University*
- 4. Pharmaceutical Nationalism: Case Studies From The COVID-19 Pandemic In Asia**
Gideon Lasco, *Department of Anthropology, University of the Philippines Diliman*

Discussants

Youdiil Ophinni, *The Hakubi Center for Advanced Research, Kyoto University*

Gideon Lasco, *Department of Anthropology, University of the Philippines Diliman*

PANEL

A-12 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

The National Popular As A Lens On Asia: Vernacular Publics, Their Histories And Literatures In The Twentieth Century

Chair

Ali Usman Qasmi, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Organizers

Saman Tariq Malik, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*Ali Usman Qasmi, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Presentations

1. Displacement Of Amar Shonar Bangla: Understanding The Contestation Over Rabindranath Tagore In Bangladesh
Asif Iqbal, *Oberlin College*
2. Narratives Of Worldliness, 'Modernity' And 'Tradition': Exploring Advertisement Landscapes In Vernacular Periodicals (Early C20)
Shobna Nijhawan, *York University*
3. Stitching A Patchwork Nation: Women's Print Culture And Everyday Plurality In Colonial South Asia
Eve Tignol, *CNRS / Centre for South Asian and Himalayan Studies*
4. Sunn Saheli: Women's Voices From Pre-Partition Urdu Monthlies
Kiran Nazir Ahmed, *Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad*
5. Feeling The Nation: A Qasbah's Urdu Reading Public And The Formation Of The National Popular In Colonial India
Saman Tariq Malik, *Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)*

Discussant

Justin Jones, *University of Oxford*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-02 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Translating Empire: Knowledge Infrastructures, Linguistic Politics, And Cold War Modernities In South Asia (1950S-1970S)

Chair

Nadeem Omar, *University of Texas, Austin*

Organizer

Hafiz Masood, *International Islamic University*

Presentations

1. 1. Weaponizing The Book During The Cold War: USIA's Books In Translation Program In South Asia, 1947-1989
Hafiz Masood, *International Islamic University, Islamabad*
2. 1. Decentralizing Nationhood: The Franklin-Pakistan Archive And The Politics Of Translation During The Cold War.
Sarah Hussain, *Tufts University*
3. 1. From Progressive Humanism To Cold War Mediation: Shahid Ahmad Dehlvi And The Politics Of Translation In Postcolonial Pakistan Presenter:
Jahan Zeb Ahmed, *UC Santa Barbara*
4. Translating Nationhood: The Franklin Book Program, Bangla Muslim Modernity, And The Politics Of Language In East Pakistan (1950S-1960S)
Nadeem Omar, *University of Texas, Austin*
5. Politics Of Promotion And Distribution: Franklin Book Programs' Field Construction Mechanisms During The Cultural Cold War In Pakistan
Tahoor Ali, *University of Central Punjab*

Discussant

Brannon Ingram, *Northwestern University*

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm LLI & SWGI Open House - LLI

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186 South Asia ROUNDTABLE SDSB 103 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Anticolonial Inheritance: On Gandhi And Bacha Khan Chair Vazira Zamindar, Brown University Organizer Vazira Zamindar, Brown University Discussants Muhammad Sohail, Bacha Khan Markaz Dennis Dalton, Barnard College Ajay Skaria, University of Minnesota Safoora Aftab, The Metta Center for Nonviolence Rajeev Kadambi, O. P. Jindal Global University	91 East and Inner Asia PANEL SAHSOL 0-01 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Archipelagic Entanglements: Refiguring Empire, Memory, And Connection Across The Asia-Pacific Chair Jinah Kim, University of California, Merced Organizer Jinah Kim, University of California, Merced Presentations 1. Bones At The Bottom Of The Pacific: Media Cultures Of The (Inter/Anti)Imperial Pacific Jinah Kim, university of California, Merced 2. Asian Studies And Ethnic Studies: On Co-Editing Who Is The Asianist? And The Need For A Racial Analysis Of Blackness In Asian Studies Nitasha Tamar Sharma, Northwestern University 3. Fiber Optic Empire: Surveillance And Resistance In Asia And The Pacific Camilla Fojas, Arizona State University
362 South Asia PANEL A-11 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Artistic Digital Spaces: Remobilizing Historical Connectivity And Futuristic Stability Chair Nayab Sadiq, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan Organizer Nayab Sadiq, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan Presentations 1. Rhythms Of Resilience: Exploring Pakistani Popular Music In Digital Spaces Anam Feroz, Higher Education Department, Punjab, Pakistan/ International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan 2. Spatial Mobility And Performativity Of Queer Bodies In Pakistani Digital Spaces Amnah Mehmood, University of Management sciences, Lahore, Pakistan 3. The Pixel And The Pen: Reimagining Futuristic Artistic Aesthetics In Contemporary Asian Art Zafrah Khalid, Air University, Kharian, Punjab Pakistan 4. Techno- Feminism: Artistic Corporeal Geographies In The Pakistani Dystopian Fiction: Before She Sleeps Aleena Shehzad, National University of Modern Languages, International Unversity, Islamabad, Pakistan	141 South Asia PANEL SDSB 201 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Beyond Rupture: Populism, Political Development, And The Recurrent Mediations In South Asia Chair Asad ur Rehman, Habib University Karachi Organizer Asad ur Rehman, Habib University Karachi Presentations 1. Between Moral Renewal And Democratic Crisis: Populism's Anticorruption Genealogy In India Anubha Anushree, Delhi University 2. Dropping Secularism, The Making Of A Populist Islamist Agendas In Bangladesh Charza Shahbuddin, CERI-Science Po 3. From Hashtags To Street And State: Digital Populism And The Politics Of Sovereignty In Nepal Vishnu Kumari Tandon, World Bank (IBRD-IDA) 4. Contested Intermediation And Transformation Of Rurban Politics In Pakistan Rai Mansoor Imtiaz, Elizabeth School of London 5. A Structural Explanation Of Neoliberal Populism: How The Military Shaped Neoliberal Populism In Pakistan, 2018-2022 Adil Zahoor, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign Discussant Fiza Batool, Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology

SDSB 205

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Colonial Modernity And Islamic Thought: Legal, Spatial, And Theological Orientation In South Asia

Chair

Sher Ali Tareen

Organizer

Muhammad Samiullah, *University of Management and Technology, Lahore Pakistan*

Presentations

- 1. Text To Context: Transformations In Qur'anic Hermeneutics Across The Modern Subcontinent**
Muhammad Samiullah, *University of Management and Technology, Lahore Pakistan*
- 2. Performing The Enmity: Theological Contestation And Colonial Poetics In South Asia**
Muhammad Usman, *PhD Scholar, University of Heidelberg, Germany*
- 3. Colonial Modernity And The Reinterpretation Of Dār: An Overview Of The Historical Evolution Of The Islamic Conceptions Of Territoriality In Modern South Asia**
Muhammad Jan, *Higher Education Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa*
- 4. Revisiting Section 295-C: The Theological Foundations Of Blasphemy Law In Islamic Tradition And The Colonial Legacy In Pakistan**
Zaid Hassan, *Research assistant, Engage Pakistan, Lahore*
- 5. Decolonizing The Dars-E-Nizami? Reimagining The Madrassa Curriculum In The 21st Century**
Muhammad Tayyab Usmani, *Assistant Professor, Department of Islamic Studies, Baba Guru Nanak University Nankana Sahib*

SAHSOL 0-01

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Contested Sovereignty And Regional Stability In South Asia: Interplay Of Politics Of Resentment And Territorial Conflicts

Chair

Rehana Hashmi

Organizer

Sameera Saleem, *University of the Punjab*

Presentations

- 1. Political Instability And Contested Sovereignties In South Asia**
Ali Naqvi, *University of the Punjab*
- 2. Hydropolitics In South Asia: Implications For India, Pakistan, And Bangladesh**
Ammara Cheema, *Government College Women University Sialkot*
- 3. Regional Instability In South Asia: Resentment And Identity Politics**
sameera Bakhshi, *University of the Punjab*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 106 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Cultural Contexts And Artistic Expression: Literature, Art, Performance, And Everyday Practices As Spaces Of Creativity, Critique, And Solidarity Across Borders

Chair

Rohma Khan

Organizers

Maleeha Bukhari, *UNESCO Chair on Inclusion Through Art, Beaconhouse National University*

Rohit Valecha, *Initiatives of Change USA*

Discussants

Ishika Panta, *Project Abhaya*

Parimah Avani, *Mundus Axis*

Arta Shadman, *Snail Culture*

Mursal Kharoti, *Humanity Can't Wait*

Ali Shariq Jamali, *Beaconhouse National University*

PANEL

SDSB 303 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Decolonizing Solidarity And Building Alternative Relationality With Asia And The Global South

Chair

Guida Man

Organizer

Jane Ku, *University of Windsor*

Presentations

1. Gender, Householding And Marriage Experiences Of Women In Migrant Households In Kerala, India: Decolonizing Feminist Transnational Research

Tania Das Gupta, *York University*

2. Feminist Politics For A Multipolar World? A Speculative Paper From A Transnational Feminist Perspective.

Amina Jamal, *Toronto Metropolitan University*

3. Transnational Feminist Relationality: Decolonial And Anti-Imperial Feminist Imaginary Of A Pluriversal World

Jane Ku, *University of Windsor*

4. Colonial Continuities, Anti-Colonial Advances

Sunera Thobani, *University of British Columbia*

5. "Act Third Scene/ Circe Argues With Eve/ About Eden": Zong! And The Drama Of The Unruly Fug(Ue)litive

Richard Douglass-Chin, *University of Windsor*

Discussant

Tania Das Gupta, *York University*

PANEL

SDSB 203 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Ecologies Of Power: Faith, Labour, And Sustainability In Asian Landscapes

Chair

Madhumita Saha, *Amity University, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India*

Organizer

Madhumita Saha, *Amity University, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India*

Presentations

1. The Taxonomy Of Faith: Gardens, Flora, And The Islamicate Imagination In Mughal India

Muhammad Ali Ozain, *University College, London*

2. Cultivating Climate: Imperial Greenhouse Experiments, Luxury Mangoes, And The Limits Of Sustainability In Japan

Josh Weimode Feng, *University of California, Berkeley*

3. Makalilisang Nga Kagutom: History Of Hunger, 1899-1930

Ophelynn P. Cano, *University of San Carlos, Cebu City, Philippines*

4. Hydro-Modernity At Her Expense: Women, Water, And The Gendered Costs Of Agricultural Modernization In Pakistan

Sarah Hussain, *Tufts University*

5. Participation Of Madheshi Women In Agriculture In Nepal

Ranju Yadav, *Tribhuvan University, Nepal*

PANEL

SDSB 304 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Embodiment, Shame And Agency In Chinese & Turkish Intellectual History

Chair

Zhixuan Li, *King's College London; The University of Hong Kong*

Organizer

Zhixuan Li, *King's College London; The University of Hong Kong*

Presentations

1. Fat Shame And Problematized Body In Contemporary Chinese Fat Camps

Zhixuan Li, *King's College London; The University of Hong Kong*

2. Agency Of Objects: How Blue-And-White Chinese Porcelains Embody Ottoman Empire's Kingship

Yuanhao Zou, *Stanford University*

3. Bodily Mutation And Body Shame In Zhuangzi

Yinqi Zhou, *The University of Hong Kong*

Discussant

Daniel Elam, *The University of Hong Kong*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-06

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Enablers And Obstructors In East Asia's Pan-Asian Connections

Chair

Yegor Grebnev, *Beijing Normal - Hong Kong Baptist University*

Organizers

Maxim Korolkov, *University of Tuebingen*Yegor Grebnev, *Beijing Normal - Hong Kong Baptist University*

Presentations

1. Sino-Pacific Politics As Enablers Of Long-Distance Maritime Connections At The Dawn Of Late Antique Globalization, 300 BCE To 300 CE
Maxim Korolkov, *University of Tuebingen*
2. How China Prepared Itself For Buddhism: Structures Of Scriptural Authority In Early China
Yegor Grebnev, *Beijing Normal - Hong Kong Baptist University*
3. External Influences On The Tangut Culture: Evidence From The Tangut-Chinese Glossary Opportune Pearl In The Palm Of The Tangut And Chinese Languages (1190)
Sergei Dmitriev, *Russian Academy of Sciences*
4. Buddhist Monk And Merchant In The Wei, Jin, And The Northern And Southern Dynasties Period
Yohei Kakinuma, *Waseda University*

PANEL

A-2

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Endangered Languages In Indonesia And Pakistan: Ideas To Mitigate

Chair

Wening Udasmoro, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*

Organizer

Wening Udasmoro, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*

Presentations

1. From Codification To Conservation: Community-Led Strategies For Revitalizing The Enggano Island Endangered Language Dan Biocultural Diversity
Wening Udasmoro, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*
2. Promises Of Multilingualism And Perils Of Language Loss Among Wakhi Speakers In Northern Pakistan
Aftab Nasir, *Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan*
3. Baso Minangkabau Relentless Endangered Language Amidst The National Language Policy In Indonesia
Merry Andriani, *Universitas Gadjah Mada*

PANEL

SDSB 305

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Episodes Of Embodiment: Women's Lives And Labor From Honolulu To Hong Kong

Chair

Staci Ford

Organizer

Crystal Kwok, *University of Hong Kong, University of Hawaii Manoa*

Presentations

1. "Valuing Asia": Gender, Globalization, And Mormonism Through The Cultural Work Of Chieko Nishimura Okazaki
Stacilee Ford, *The University of Hong Kong*
2. Recentring Asia Through The Identity Politics Of SHEIN
Nellie Chu, *Duke Kunshan University*
3. War And Women's Bodies: A Comparative Look At Honolulu Prostitution And Hong Kong Comfort Women
Crystal Kwok, *University of Hong Kong*

Discussant

Staci Ford, *University of Hong Kong*

PANEL

A-4

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

From Manuscript To Modernity: Reimagining Lahore Through Artistic And Literary Depictions

Chair

Muhammad Tayyab Qaisrani, *National College of Arts, Lahore*

Organizer

Muhammad Tayyab Qaisrani, *National College of Arts, Lahore*

Presentations

1. Comparative Analysis Of Lahore's Artistic Depictions By The British And Pakistani Artists
Haleema Iqbal, *University of Home Economics, Lahore and University of the Education, Lahore*
2. Exploring The Ornamental Heritage Of Book Bindings And Frontispieces Of Seventeenth To Nineteenth Century Quranic Manuscripts In Lahore
Abeera Umar, *College of Art and Design, University of the Punjab, Lahore*
3. The MajnūN Of Laylā: A Comparative Study Of The Visual Narratives In HāTefi's Laylā MajnūN Manuscripts
Sophia Mairaj Malik, *Department of Art and Design, COMSATS University, Lahore, Pakistan*
4. Mapping The Mythological Fabric Of Lahore: A Palimpsest
Duaa Khan Kundi, *Beaconhouse National University*

Discussants

Prof. Dr. Rafia Tahir, *Former Registrar of University of Home Economics, Lahore*Muhammad Javed, *Director of Coopera Art Gallery*

PANEL

A-16

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Governing Through Care: Medical Experts, State Power, And The Moral Politics Of Health In Asia

Chair

Anna Iskra, *The Hong Kong Polytechnic University*

Organizer

Anna Iskra, *The Hong Kong Polytechnic University*

Presentations

1. Negotiating Care As “Para-State” Actors: COVID-19 Responses Among Primary Care Physicians In Japan

Sachiko Horiguchi (co-author and co-presenter 1) Junko Iida (co-author and co-presenter 2), *Temple University, Japan Campus; Kawasaki University of Medical Welfare*

2. Sunflower Citizens? Resilience As Lived Negotiation Among Mental Health Professionals In Zero-COVID China

Anna Iskra, *The Hong Kong Polytechnic University*

3. Beyond The Binary: Queer And Trans Narratives And The Politics Of Care In Malaysia

Indramalar Satkunasingam, *The Universiti Malaya*

4. Therapeutic Governance Through Suicide Prevention: Psychological First-Aid Training Of Lady Health Workers In Tharparkar, Pakistan

Laila Rajani, *University of Edinburgh*

Discussant

Nur Adilla, *Waseda University*

ROUNDTABLE

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Home #Itscomplicated: Memory, Identity A`Nd Conflict

Chair

Khurram Koraishy

Organizer

Saba Karim Khan, *New York University Abu Dhabi*

Discussants

Dr Ali Khan, *Lahore University of Management Sciences*

Saba Karim Khan, *New York University Abu Dhabi*

Bee Gul, *National College of Arts, Screenwriter*

Fasi Zaka, *The Express Tribune and FM Radio*

Naween Mangi, *Founder and managing trustee of the Ali Hasan Mangi Memorial Trust. Was the Pakistan chief for New York-based Bloomberg News*

PANEL

A-12 **1:00 pm - 2:30 pm**
Im/Mobility And Multi-Causal Migration: Urbanization Under Pressure In South Asia

Chair

Yunas Samad, *University of Bradford*

Organizer

Yunas Samad, *University of Bradford*

Presentations

- 1. Destination Cities In Asia: Interfacing Migration And Social Mobility Among Urban Middle Classes,**
Marta Bivand Erdal, *Peace Research Institute Oslo*
- 2. Evictable Urbanization: Mobility Churn And Micro-Urbanization In Colombo's Low-Income Settlements**
Mohideen Mohamed Alikhan, *University of Peradeniya*
- 3. Internal Migration And Peri-Urban Development In Punjab**
Yunas Samad, *University of Bradford*
- 4. Monsoon Mobilities': Moving Beyond The Binary Of Migration And 'Trapped Populations' In A Vulnerable Mountain Community In Nepal**
Robin Abbing, *University of Vienna*
- 5. The Impact Of Internally Displaced People On The Employment Status Of Host Populations: Evidence From The War On Terror In Pakistan**
Rashid Memon, *Social and Economic Survey Research Institute, Qatar University*

Discussant

Nasra Shah, *Lahore School of Economics*

PANEL

A-1 **1:00 pm - 2:30 pm**
Indigenous Environmental Stewardship, Gender-Responsive Strategies To Food Security, And Gen Z Youth Movements For Climate Justice In Timor Leste, The Philippines, And Beyond

Chair

Dr. Therese Nguyen Thi Phuong Tam Nguyen, *Social Science Faculty, Universidade Nacional Timor Leste (UNTL)*

Organizer

Dr. Jacqueline Siapno, *Universidade da Paz (UNPAZ), Timor Leste/East Timor*

Presentations

- 1. "Living In Harmony With Nature: Indigenous Environmental Stewardship Through Sacred Rituals In Timor Leste"**
Dr. Jose Cornelio Guterres, *Executive President, Instituto Nacional de Ciência e Tecnologia (INCT), Timor Leste/East Timor*
- 2. Gender, Climate Change, And Food Security In Timor-Leste**
Dr. Therese Nguyen Thi Phuong Tam Nguyen, *Social Science Faculty, Universidade Nacional Timor Leste (UNTL)*
- 3. Biodiversity Conservation, Ecological Grief, And Resistance In Palawan And Atauro**
Dr. Jacqueline (Joy) Siapno, *Universidade da Paz (UNPAZ), Timor Leste/East Timor*

Discussant

Dr. Mica Barreto Soares, *Universidade Nacional Timor Leste (UNTL), East Timor*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 102 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Land Rights And The Future Of Property In South Asia

Chair

Svati Shah, UMass Amherst

Organizers

Eric Beverley, SUNY Stony Brook

Svati Shah, UMass Amherst

Discussants

Iromi Perera, Colombo Urban Lab at the Centre for a Smart Future

Dina Siddiqi, NYU

Aisha Ahmad, LUMS

David Ludden, NYU

PANEL

Sayeed Saigol Auditorium 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Material Mediations Of Transregional Connection: Mobility, Memory, And Technology In Inter-Asia

Chair

Hechen Liu, Graduate Center, CUNY

Organizer

Pu Yang, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Presentations

1. **Stitching Playability: Game Accelerators As Grey Infrastructure In Chinese Cross-Border PUBG Playing**
Ningxi Guo, Chinese University of Hong Kong
2. **'Resettable Space, Archival House': Making And Unmaking Home In Chinese Youth's Transnational Educational Migration**
Jiaxin Li, University of Edinburgh
3. **The Village Of Widows: Media, Memory, And Cross-Border Histories In Film And Museum**
Zixin Miao, Chinese University of Hong Kong
4. **The Graveyard Of The East King Of Sulu In The Cradle Of Chinese Civilization**
Pu Yang, Chinese Hniversity of Hong Kong
5. **Making The "Coal" Mineable: Japanese Mining Engineers And The Translation Of Technology In Early 20Th Century Manchuria**
Hechen Liu, Graduate Center, CUNY

Discussant

Shi Yeu Nga, Stockholm University

PANEL

A-3

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Nepal At The Crossroad: Slavery, Indigeneity, And Performance

Chair

Mahboob Hussain

Organizer

Komal Prasad Phuyal, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal*

Presentations

1. Of Dancing Sticks And Social Values: Politics Of Cultural Resistance In The Ghintang Ghisi And The Lathi Naach
Komal Prasad Phuyal, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal*
2. Modern Form Of Slavery: A Tale Of The Tharu Resistance In Nepal
Dhaneshwar Paudel, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal*
3. Limbu Lyricism In Missiological Music: Crossover In The Hymnodies
Dipak Lungeli, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal*
4. Mha Puja As A Living Archive: Newar Indigenous Knowledge Of Ecology, Spirituality, And Social Harmony In Bhaktapur
Rajan Phelu, *Bagiswori College, Bhaktapur, Nepal*

Discussant

Komal Prasad Phuyal, *Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal*

PANEL

A-10

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Politics On Border: Critical Reflections On Pakistan-Afghanistan Borderland

Chair

Hussain Shaheed Soherwordy

Organizers

Rasul B. Rais, *LUMS*Syed Sami Raza, *University of Peshawar*

Presentations

1. Internal Colonization Through Law: The Pashtun Land In Pakistan's Post-Merger Legal Discourse
Faizullah Jan, *University of Peshawar*
2. Geopolitics And The Transforming Tribal Society Of The Pakistan-Afghanistan Borderland
Rasul B. Rais, *LUMS*
3. Activists Or Terrorists: Youth-Led Social Movements And The State In Border Regions Of Pakistan
Abida Bano, *University of Peshawar*
4. War, Forced Migration And Refugees: Systematic Violence In The Forced Deportation Of Afghan Refugees From Pakistan
Syed Sami Raza, *University of Peshawar*
5. Serenading Terror: Deathly Order, Grieving Culture
Syed Irfan Ashraf, *University of Peshawar*

Discussants

Farhan Siddique, *IBA*Hussain Shaheed Soherwordy, *University of Peshawar*

PANEL

SDSB 104

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Reclaiming Knowledge From The Margins: Indigenous Epistemologies, Vernacular Archives, And Critical Histories Of Punjab

Chair

Nadeem Omar, *University of Texas at Austin*

Organizer

Nadeem Omar, *University of Texas at Austin*

Presentations

- 1. Fiction As Counter-Archive: Reimagining Lahore's History From Below**
Nain Sukh, *Independent Scholar*
- 2. Bodies, Bazaars, And Bureaucracy: Reconfiguring Desi Medical Knowledge In Colonial Punjab**
Khola Iftikhar Cheema, *The Islamia University of Bahawalpur (Bahawalnagar Campus)*
- 3. The Historiography Of Hir Waris Shah: Poetry As A Social Archive**
Tohid Ahmad, *GC University Faisalabad*
- 4. Colonial Continuities And The Limits Of Resistance: Language, Centralization, And Postcolonial State Formation In South Asia**
Aamir Riaz, *Newline Publisher*
- 5. Orality, Literacy, And Empire: Colonial Folklore Studies In Punjab And The Production Of Knowledge**
Nadeem Omar, *University of Texas, Austin*

Discussant

Nain Sukh, *Independent Scholar*

PANEL

A-9

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Reform, Conversion And Polemics: Politics Of Religious Identity In Modern South Asia

Chair

Muhammad Akram, *International Islamic University Islamabad*

Organizer

Ayesha Qurrat ul Ain, *FRIAS, University of Freiburg*

Presentations

- 1. Religious Reform Through Rationalism: Sir Syed Ahmad Khan (1817-1898)**
Ayesha Qurrat ul Ain, *FRIAS, University of Freiburg*
- 2. Muslim Engagement With Western Biblical Scholarship In British India And Its Impact On Christian-Muslim Controversies**
Muhammad Akram, *International Islamic University Islamabad*
- 3. Refiguration Of Religious Identities: Shuddhi And Tableeghi Movement In Early Twentieth- Century British India**
Kiran Latif, *Behria University, Islamabad*

Discussants

Zohaib Ahmad, *Islamia University Bahawalpur*

Farman Ali, *Riphah International University, Islamabad*

ROUNDTABLE

SDSB 101 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Situating Asian Feminist Methodologies And Epistemologies In/Beyond The Field

Chair

Tayeba Batool, *University of Pennsylvania*

Organizers

Tayeba Batool, *University of Pennsylvania*Shanel Khaliq, *Hendrix College*

Discussants

Sadia Jamil, *Iqra University*Nimisha Thakur, *Princeton University*Sheema Khawar, *York University*Shanel Khaliq, *Hendrix College*Tayeba Batool, *University of Pennsylvania*

PANEL

SAHSOL 0-02 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

The Making Of Efficacy: Embodiment, Materiality, And Technique In Chinese Rituals

Chair

Jingdong Qu

Organizer

Jolene Yiqiao Kong, *Geneva Graduate Institute*

Presentations

1. Spirit, Brush, And Flowing Water: Daoist Ritual And Calligraphic Efficacy In Wang Xizhi's Lanting Gathering
Rui Shi, *Peking University, Department of History*
2. Relics, Light, And Efficacy In The Southern Song: Interpreting The "King Aśoka Stupa" In The Five Hundred Luohans Paintings
Tianyue Wu, *Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts, School of Arts and Humanities*
3. Lacquer And The Lacquer Deity: Allergic Transformation And The Making Of Sacred Artisans In Early China
Kexin Wang, *Beijing City University, School of Cultural Heritage*
4. Efficacy And Resonance: Situating The Guqin In China's Therapeutic Self-Cultivation Movements
Yang Shen, *Zhejiang University*
5. Making Ling: Embodied Efficacy And The Ritual Grammar Of Reproduction In Contemporary China
Jolene Yiqiao Kong, *Geneva Graduate Institute*

Discussants

Shafqat Hussain, *Trinity College*Keping Wu, *Duke Kunshan University*

PANEL

A-5 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

When The South Speaks: Re-Imagining English Language Education And Leadership In Pakistan

Chair

Ghazal Shaikh

Organizer

Waqar Ali Shah, *Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, Sindh Pakistan*

Presentations

1. Curricular Justice And EMI
Liaquat Channa, *GC University Hyderabad, Sindh*
2. English And Southern Multilingualism(S)
Hassan Syed, *Sukkur IBA University, Sindh*
3. Decolonising TESOL/Educational Leadership
Asadullah Lashari, *University of Sindh, Jamshoro Sindh Pakistan*

PANEL

SDSB 301 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Youth Unemployment, Exit Plans, And Making A Life Abroad

Chair

Rahat Shah, *Goethe University Frankfurt*

Organizer

Rahat Shah, *Goethe University Frankfurt*

Presentations

1. Education Without Direction And The Struggle Of Pakistan's Graduates To Find Their Way
Ullah Raza, *Rawalpindi Women University, Pakistan*
2. Waiting With Purpose: Strategic Delays And Future-Making Through Exam Preparations In Pakistan
Sayed Attaullah Shah, *Government College Peshawar*
3. Educated But Excluded: The Socioeconomic Fallout Of Graduate Unemployment In Pakistan
Kefayat Ullah, *Quaid-i-Azam University Islamabad Pakistan*
4. Transnational Adulthood: Reworking Family Obligations Across Borders Among Pakistani Emerging Adults In Germany
Rahat Shah, *Goethe University Frankfurt*

Discussant

Raza Ullah, *Rawalpindi Women University, Pakistan*

PANEL

SDSB 105

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

**Energizing The Nation And Capital In Desert Borderlands:
Extractivism And Resistance In South Asia**

Chair

David Singh, *Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH, Delhi)*

Organizer

David Singh, *Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH, Delhi)*

Presentations

**1. From Dams To Solar Parks: Infrastructural Power In India's
Margins**

Bérénice Girard, *CESSMA/IRD, Paris*

**2. Smashing Banishment At Sunrise: Anti-Caste Solar
Powershifts**

Ryan Stock, *Northern Michigan University*

**3. Deserted Geographies: Land, Power, And The Repertoire Of
Resistance At The Dawn Of Solar Photovoltaics**

Shayan Shokrgozar, *Norwegian University of Life Sciences*

**4. The Role Of Class, Caste, And Religion In Resistance Against
Extractivism At An Extractive Frontier Of China's Belt And
Road Initiative .**

Usman Ashraf, *University of Helsinki*

**5. Company's 'Deeper State' And The Consolidation Of South
Asian Energy Capital: Wind Energy, Caste Power And Mimicry
Of The Local State In Borderland Gujarat**

David Singh, *Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH, Delhi)*

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Islamic Calligraphy Workshop — SSE Classrooms (10-202, 10-204, 10-302, 10-304)

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Tea-break

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Global Fair

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Closing Ceremony