

## ***CALL FOR PANELS AND PAPERS***

### *International Symposium*

## **GLOBAL ASIA IN INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES: SUSTAINABILITY, SECURITY, AND GOVERNANCE**

Date: 16-17 November 2018  
Venue: Nanyang Technological University Singapore  
Organizer: Nanyang Technological University  
Co-organizers: University of Tokyo and Yale University

Keynote speaker: Professor Peter J. Katzenstein, Walter S. Carpenter, Jr. Professor of International Studies, Cornell University

### **ABSTRACT**

In recent decades, deepening global interconnectedness has been one of the most powerful forces shaping global political economy, cultures and societies. Many nations have become ever more embedded in socio-political, geopolitical and military, and financial and trade networks at regional and global scales. In Asia, existing state and non-state partnerships are evolving while new ones are being formed, creating cross cutting ties that spur socio-cultural, political, and environmental movements seeking to address complex challenges. In this context, issues surrounding sustainability, security, and governance demand closer critical scrutiny than ever before.

This international symposium invites scholars, activists, and policymakers to present research and critical reflections on sustainability, security, and governance in globalizing Asia. *Sustainability* relates not only to the natural environment but also to aspects such as social sustainability, development sustainability, community sustainability, and government sustainability. *Security* now

includes not only state-centric traditional security (particularly military security) but also human security, comprising economic security, food security, health security, environmental security, personal security, community security and political security. Examples of human security related issues include poverty and unemployment, war, hunger and famine, infectious diseases, food and water safety, pollution, physical and state violence, domestic violence, child labour, ethnic and religious conflicts, human trafficking, etc. Similarly, **Governance** not only entails government's decision-making process and policy implementation; it also involves the contributions of, and negotiation between, socio-political groups such as religions and ethnic communities, and other civil society organisations. All these are engaging in efforts to formulate and achieve societal goals.

Nations and communities in Asia, as elsewhere, are facing interlocking challenges of sustainability, security, and governance. For examples, the way that human security can be achieved in times of emergencies, or how military and political power can be exercised in times of crisis, requires both sustainable approaches and effective governance at national and international levels. Likewise, sustainable security solutions to ethnic and religious conflicts require robust legal frameworks and coordinated implementation by all the parties involved.

We welcome panel and individual paper proposals that provide critical examination of the formidable challenges in sustainability, security, and governance in Asia from a regional and/or global perspective. Possible topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

Methods and models for sustainable security solutions  
Inter-state security under power shift  
Evolution of regional security complex  
Security for global commons (cyber, maritime, and space)  
Surveillance ethics and technology  
Crisis management and complex emergencies  
Humanitarian Assistance/ Disaster Relief  
National emergencies and resilience  
Human rights  
Terrorism and counter-terrorism  
Fears and terrors in social psychology and behaviours

International migration  
Public space safety and urban security  
Border security  
Health challenges in modern society  
Inequality, poverty and unemployment  
Sustainable policy and practice  
Environmental changes and sustainability  
Social sustainability and community values  
Gender and security  
Sustainable education  
Political system, governance and regulation  
Urban sustainability

Ethnic and religious relations

## **SUBMISSIONS TIMELINE**

Deadline for panel and paper proposals: **31 May 2018**

Acceptance announced: **end June 2018**

## **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

For paper presentation submissions: an abstract of up to 300 words and include 4 keywords.

For panel submissions: a panel proposal of up to 500 words; 3 paper abstracts of up to 300 words each, include 4 keywords for each paper abstract.

Paper presentations should be in English

Paper and panel submissions should be sent to: [hssglobalasia@ntu.edu.sg](mailto:hssglobalasia@ntu.edu.sg)

### **Accommodation subsidies for postgraduate presenters:**

Limited number of single rooms will be provided for postgraduate speakers on a case by case basis.

### **Recommended accommodation:**

Conference attendees are able to enjoy corporate rates at these recommended hotels:

**Nanyang Executive Centre** (<http://www.ntu.edu.sg/nec/Pages/default.aspx>)

**Hotel Genting Jurong** (<https://www.rwsentosa.com/en/hotels/genting-hotel-jurong/overview>)

### **Main organizers:**

Global Asia Research Cluster & Nanyang Centre for Public Administration,  
Nanyang Technological University

### **Co-organizers:**

Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia, University of Tokyo  
Council on East Asian Studies, Yale University