

Bandung Humanisms: Towards a New Understanding of the Global South

Nanyang Technological University
HSS Conference Room (05-57)
14 Nanyang Drive, Singapore, 637332

18 JUNE 2017

19: 00 Informal Welcome Dinner @ Canteen 1 or 2, NTU

19 JUNE 2017

9:00 Registration

9:15 Welcoming Remarks: Lydia H. Liu & Hong Liu

Session I. 9: 30-11:00 Decentering the West

Chairperson: K. K. Luke

Aamir Mufti (UCLA): Backlash: Euro-American Fascisms in a Global Frame

Stathis Gourgouris (Columbia University): Humanism from the Standpoint of Decolonization

Hong Liu, Celia Lee and Tingyan Wang (NTU): From Bandung to the Global South: Humanism, Transnational Knowledge Transfer and Dynamic Governance in a Comparative Perspective

TEA BREAK. 11:00—11:15

Session II. 11:15-12:15 Reconnecting China & the Arab World

Chairperson: Farish Badrol Hisham Noor

Sonja Mejcher-Atassi (American University of Beirut): Rafa Nasiri's Book Art: Unfolding Narratives of Survival and Intimate Encounters between Baghdad and Beijing

Zhiguang Yin (University of Exeter): 'Our Arab Brothers': The Chinese Practice of Third World Solidarity and the Making of a New World Order in the 1950s and 60s

Session III. 12:15-13:15 Reconstructing Cold War Politics & Economy

Chairperson: Wen-Qing Ngoei

Shigeru Akita (Osaka University): From Decolonization to Economic Development: The Colombo Plan, the Bandung Conference and Japan's economic cooperation

Wasana Wongsurawat (Chulalongkorn University): From Beijing to Bandung: Second Failure of the Thai Revolutionaries in the Superpowers Balancing Act

LUNCH. 13:15—14:15

Session IV. 14:15-15:15 Rewriting World Literature

Chairperson: Yow Cheun Hoe

Lydia H. Liu (Columbia University): After Tashkent: The Great Translation Movement of the Global South

Tony Day (Yale-NUS College): Polycentric Cosmopolitans: Writing World Literature in Indonesia and Vietnam, 1920s to 1950s and Beyond

TEA BREAK. 15:15—15:30

Session V. 15:30-16:30 Restoring the Afro-Asian Memories

Chairperson: Wasana Wongsurawat

Asvi Adam (Indonesian Academy of Science): The Archives of Afro-Asian Conference as Memory of the World

Taomo Zhou (NTU): To the Storm: Afro-Asian Journalists between Two “Revolutions”

Session VI. 16:30-18:00 Fresh from the Field

Chairperson: Uganda Sze Pui Kwan

Geoffrey Rathgeb Aung (Columbia University): After Postcolonial Futurism: Notes on Decolonization and Cultural Politics in Burma/Myanmar

Espena Darlene Machell de Leon (NTU): Cinema and Politics: The Creation of Postcolonial Self/Other and the Shaping of Strategic Cultures in Southeast Asia, 1945-1967

Pieter Vanhove (Columbia University): The Afro-Asian Writers’ Bureau and the Reinvention of Universal Culture

Marek W. Rutkowski (NUS): Could Bandung Spirit Unify Vietnam? Nehru, Indochina and Nonalignment (1954-1957)

Sneha Anil Desai (Columbia University): Panchsheel: Bombay Art Scene and Nehru's Left-wing Internationalism

18:00-18:15 Closing Remarks: Aamir Mufti & Stathis Gourgouris

DINNER. 19:00 @ PEACH GARDEN

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10:30 Cultural Tour @ Peranakan Museum

12: 30 Lunch @ Chuan Garden Restaurant

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