

5th Southeast Asian Studies Symposium



Mathematical Institute and Green Templeton College

15 - 17 April 2016

Project Southeast Asia, University of Oxford, seeks enthusiastic volunteers to organise and run the 5th Southeast Asian Studies Symposium, in Oxford, 15 - 17 April 2016.

The Southeast Asian Studies Symposium is the world's largest annual conference on Southeast Asia. In March 2015, over 700 people took part in the 4th Symposium, held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. It was opened by DYMM Sultan Nazrin Shah of Perak, and closed with a public lecture by Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia University). In 2016, the 5th Southeast Asian Studies Symposium returns to Oxford.

Why Volunteer?

Vision: The Symposium embodies the core vision of Project Southeast Asia: to pioneer transnational, interdisciplinary studies of Southeast Asia, in order to contribute solutions to Southeast Asia's most pressing contemporary issues relevant to the people of Southeast Asia. The Symposium is unique. It is more than academic conference. It seeks to bring together leaders of academia, politics, business, and civil society, in order to discuss solutions and to make a difference.

Impact: The Southeast Asian Studies Symposium is the world's largest annual Southeast Asian Studies conference. In 2015 it drew over 700 people, including members of royalty; politicians; over 200 of the world's leading scholars of Southeast Asia; a wide variety of business leaders; civil society activists; and students. Speakers included DYMM Sultan Nazrin Shah of Perak, Prof Wang Gungwu (National University of Singapore); Prof Nick Rawlins (University of Oxford); Prof Barry Eichengreen (University of California, Berkeley); and Prof Jeffrey Sachs (Columbia University).

Innovation: The Symposium is entirely volunteer-run, and we welcome students and scholars of all levels who are interested in Southeast Asia. We offer great scope for enterprising, entrepreneurial individuals to make a difference in the field of Southeast Asian Studies and to organise a major international conference. Do you have an idea for how to bring people together to make Southeast Asia a better place? We are a platform for you to make that idea a reality.

All volunteers will receive complimentary registration for the Southeast Asian Studies Symposium. For more information, please visit <http://projectsoutheastasia.com/volunteers2016>

An introductory meeting will be held on **19 May 2015, Tuesday, at 6 pm, at The Jam Factory** (Hollybush Row, Oxford OX1 1HU). Please email Dr PJ Thum (pingtjin.thum@history.ox.ac.uk) if you are wish to attend. Finger food and drinks will be served.