

Islam in Indonesia: the Dissemination of Religious Authority in the Twentieth Century

This 4-year cooperative research programme aims at studying and documenting important changes, which occurred in religious - especially Muslim - authority in Indonesia during the past century and which have contributed significantly to the shaping of the present nationhood. Its main donor is the Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences (KNAW); co-sponsors are: ISIM, CNWS, and the IIAS. The programme furthermore cooperates with several research institutions in Indonesia, such as the Islamic State Universities (IAIN), Jakarta.

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The Syntax of the Languages of Southern China

This research programme aims at describing and analyzing a number of syntactic phenomena in six languages spoken in Southern China comparing them in order to contribute to further development of the theory of language and the human language capacity. The research focus is on classifiers, modifiers and possessors in the nominal domain; and on aspectual particles, resultatives and sentence-final particles in the sentential/verbal domain. The languages involved in the project are Yue, Wu and Mandarin (all Sinitic) as well as the non-Sinitic Zhuang (Zhuang-Tai), Miao (Hmong-Mien) and Wa (Mon-Khmer). The project is co-funded by the Dutch Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) and Leiden University (main sponsors), and the IIAS.

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Indonesianisasi and Nationalization

This research programme focuses on the shift in the management of the Indonesian economy from control by Western, especially Dutch private enterprises to Indonesian business, including Chinese Indonesian entrepreneurs. The project embraces macroeconomic policy, public discourse and case studies of major Dutch business firms and new Indonesian enterprises. Locations include Jakarta, Central Java, Bandung, Medan and Makasar where local scholars will participate. The project is sponsored by the Netherlands Institute for War Documentation (NIOD).

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ABIA South and Southeast Asian Art and Archaeology Index

The ABIA online database covers publications on prehistory, archaeology and art history, material culture, inscriptions, coins and seals of South and Southeast Asia. The IIAS is the centre for regions outside Asia, with support from the Gonda Foundation. Between 2002 and 2006 the project is coordinated by PGIAR, Colombo, with support from the

Central Cultural Fund. Offices have also been opened at the IGCA, New Delhi, and the Research Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences, Universitas Indonesia, Jakarta. ABIA Index volume 1 is available at the IIAS. Volume 2 (new) is available at www.brill.nl.

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CLARA: Changing Labour Relations in Asia

This research programme aims to build a comparative and historical understanding of labour relations in different parts of Asia which are undergoing diverse historical processes and experiences in terms of their national economies, their links with international markets and the nature of state intervention. Several types of activities, namely: coordination of workshops; research projects; short-term research fellowships; networking; publications; and the setting up of a databank are promoted. CLARA is supported by the IIAS and the International Institute of Social History (IISH).

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Genomics in Asia: Socio-Genetic Marginalization

This new research programme studies the socio-political implications and practices of the development and application of the new biomedical and genetic technologies in Asian religious and secular cultures. It aims to generate insight into the ways in which the use and monopoly over genetic information shape and influence population policies, environmental ethics, and biomedical and agricultural practices in various cultures and across national boundaries. The programme was initiated by IIAS and the Institute for the Study of Islam in the Modern World (ISIM, Leiden), but will be executed in cooperation with other Dutch research institutes such as the Centre for Bioethics and Health Law (CBC, University of Utrecht), the Institute for Innovation and Trans-disciplinary Research (Free University, VU), and various Asian research institutes.

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Transnational Society, Media and Citizenship

This programme studies the complex nature of contemporary cultural identities and the role which the globalization of information and communication technologies (ICT's) plays in the (re)construction of identities. The research will broaden our understanding of implications of new media and communicating technologies in transforming political and religious forms, which transcend the nation-state and the relationship between consumption practices and identity formation. The programme was initiated by the Amsterdam School for Social Science Research (ASSR) together with the IIAS and is executed with financial support from the Netherlands Foundation for the Advancement of Tropical Research (WOTRO).

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The International Institute for Asian Studies is a postdoctoral research centre based in Leiden and Amsterdam. The main objective of the IIAS is to encourage Asian Studies in the humanities and the social sciences (ranging from linguistics and anthropology to political science, law, environment and development studies) and to promote national and international cooperation in these fields. The IIAS was established in 1993 on the initiative of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, Leiden University, University of Amsterdam, and the Free University Amsterdam. It is financed mainly by the Netherlands Ministry of Education, Culture, and Sciences.

Based in the Netherlands, the Institute acts as an (inter)national mediator, bringing various parties together for the enhancement of Asian Studies. In keeping with the Dutch tradition of transferring goods and ideas, the IIAS works as a clearing-house of knowledge and information. This entails activities such as providing information services, constructing an international network, and setting up international cooperative projects and research programmes. In this way, the IIAS functions as a window on Europe for non-Europeans and contributes to the cultural rapprochement between Asia and Europe.

Research fellows at a post-PhD level are temporarily employed by or affiliated to the Institute, either within the framework of a collaborative research programme, or on an individual basis. The IIAS organizes seminars, workshops, and conferences, publishes a newsletter (circulation approximately 22,000 copies), and has established a database which contains information about researchers and current research in the field of Asian Studies within Europe and worldwide. A Guide to Asian Studies in Europe, a printed version of parts of this database, was published in 1998. The Institute also has its own server and Internet site to which a growing number of Institutes related to Asian Studies is linked.

Since 1994 the IIAS has been appointed to run the secretariat of the European Science Foundation Asia Committee (Strasbourg). Together with the Committee, the IIAS shares the objective of improving the international cooperation in the field of Asian Studies (additional information can be acquired at the IIAS).

In 1997 the Strategic Alliance for Asian Studies was established: an international cooperation between the Nordic Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS), Copenhagen, and the IIAS. The Institute of Asian Affairs (IfA), Hamburg; the European Institute for Asian Studies (EIAS), Brussels; and the Asia-Europe Centre (AEC), Paris have since joined the Alliance. The Asia Alliance was set up to enhance research on (contemporary) Asia and to create networks in Asia and Europe with academic and non-academic institutions and actors.

Upon the initiative of the IIAS, and in close cooperation with NIAS, the Programme for Europe-Asia Research Links (PEARL) was established in Seoul in October 1998. It is a network of researchers from Asia and Europe, i.e. from the ASEM (Asia-Europe Meetings) member countries, representing leading Asian and European Studies institutes. PEARL believes that promotion of Asia-Europe research cooperation ought to be an integral part of the ASEM dynamics. The IIAS provides the secretariat for PEARL.

New IIAS Publications

Dahles, Heidi (ed.)

Tourism, Heritage and National Culture in Java:

Dilemmas of a local community

Richmond, Surrey: IIAS and Curzon Press (2001), 257 pp., ISBN 0-7007-1520-7 (hb), illustrated.

Douw, Leo, Cen Huang and David Ip (eds.)

Rethinking Chinese Transnational Enterprises: Cultural affinity and business strategies

Richmond, Surrey: IIAS and Curzon Press (2001), 281 pp., ISBN 0-7007-1524-x (hb), illustrated

Hüsken, Frans and Dick van der Meij (eds.)

Reading Asia, New Research in Asian Studies

Richmond, Surrey: Curzon/IIAS Asian Series publications (2001), 338 pp., ISBN 0-7007-1371-9 (hb)

Kazanov, Anatoli M. and André Wink (eds.)

Nomads in the Sedentary World

Richmond, Surrey: Curzon/IIAS Asian Series publications (2001), 290 pp., ISBN 0-7007-1369-7 (hb) 0-7007-1370-0 (pb)

Munshi, Shoma (ed.)

Images of the 'Modern Woman' in Asia: Global media, local meanings

Richmond, Surrey: IIAS and Curzon Press (2001), 211 pp., ISBN 0-7007-1343-3 (hb), 0-7007-1353-0 (pb), illustrated.

Stokhof, Wim and Paul van der Velde (eds.)

Asian-European Perspectives, Developing the ASEM Process

Richmond, Surrey: Curzon/IIAS Asian Series publications (2001), 168 pp., ISBN 0-7007-1435-9 (hb)

