

SOUTH ASIA

Venue: McDonald Room, Menzies Library (McRm)

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	Sunday 29 January	Monday 30 January	Tuesday 31 January	Wednesday 1 February	Thursday 2 February
8.00		REGISTRATION (Coombs Extension foyer)			
9.00		ASIA PACIFIC WEEK OPENING: Professor James Fox (Coombs lecture theatre)	Jaya Sharma , Uni. of Melbourne <i>Gender, Maoism & conflict in Nepal</i> . Discussant: TBA (McRm)	Professor Peter Warr , ANU, <i>Pro-poor growth</i> . GENERAL DISCUSSION (McRm)	Dr Sisira Jayasuriya , Uni. of Melbourne, <i>Post-tsunami Sri Lanka: The rocky road from relief to recovery</i> . GENERAL DISCUSSION (McRm)
10.00		Morning tea	Morning tea	Morning tea	Morning tea
11.00		SOUTH ASIA PROGRAM + PUBLIC LECTURE: Prof. Amitabh Kundu , Director, Centre for the Study of Regional Development and Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. <i>Political economy of urbanisation in the less developed countries with emphasis on South Asia</i> . (McDonald room, Menzies Library)	SOUTH ASIA PROGRAM + PUBLIC LECTURE: Dr Stephen Howes , Principal Economic Advisor, AusAID <i>Australian aid: lessons learnt and future directions</i> (McDonald room, Menzies library)	Sambit Bhattacharyya , ANU, <i>Root causes of economic growth re-examined</i> . Discussant: Dr Satish Chand . Lorena Gibson , Massey Uni. NZ, <i>Poverty, empowerment and hope: A prelim. analysis of NGOs & grassroots development initiatives working in Kolkata's urban slums</i> . Discussant: Dr Kuntala Lahiri-Dutt , ANU. (McRm)	Deepika Mathur , Uni. of Melbourne. <i>Social approach to environmentally sustainable architecture</i> . Discussant: TBA Muhammad Imran , Uni. of Melbourne. <i>Institutional barriers to sustainable transport in Lahore, Pakistan</i> . Discussant: TBA
12.00				Rakesh Gupta , Charles Sturt Uni. <i>Australian investment in emerging markets</i> . Discussant: Prof. Hal Hill , ANU. (McRm)	
1.00		Lunch	PLENARY LECTURE: Margot Kerley and Sara Edson Joint Parliamentary Committee on Foreign Affairs, Trade and Defence. <i>Dealing with Committees in the Australian Parliament: The Role of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade</i> (Coombs lecture theatre)	SOUTH ASIA PROGRAM + PUBLIC LECTURE: Emeritus Prof. Laksiri Jayasuriya (Coombs lecture theatre)	Morteza Mirgholani , Uni. of Melbourne. <i>Patterns of co-presence in public spaces in Tehran</i> . Discussant: TBA (McRm)
2.00					PUBLIC LECTURE: Dr Kilifoti Eteuati , High Commissioner, Samoa. <i>Contemporary South Pacific issues</i> (Coombs lecture theatre)
3.00			Menzies Library visit. Librarian, Barbara Nelson	Shrimal Perera , Monash Uni. <i>Conduct and efficiency of banking systems in South Asia</i> . Discussant: Prof. Ross H McLeod , ANU.	
4.00			Afternoon tea	Amirul Ahsan , Monash Uni. <i>Central bank independence & governance in selected Asia Pacific countries</i> . Discussant: TBA (McRm)	
5.00			National Library of Australia visit. Librarian, Anna Skurowski. (departs from Coombs building reception at 3.15)	Rie Makita , ANU, <i>Livelihood diversification of landless poor in non-farm sector in Bangladesh</i> . Discussant: Dr Bruce Caldwell , ANU. (McRm)	
6.00				ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: <i>Policy reforms in South Asia</i> Prof. Ragbendra Jha , ANU (chair); Dr Sisira Jayasuriya , Dr Prem Thapa (others TBA). (McRm)	
7.00					PUBLIC LECTURE: Ralph Regenvanu , Director, Vanuatu National Cultural Council and Vanuatu Cultural Centre, and visitor to ANU; <i>The 'traditional money banks in Vanuatu' project</i> . (Coombs lec. theatre)
8.00					
					CLOSING EVENT AND LUNAR NEW YEAR FUNCTION: Closing address by Professor Ian Chubb , Vice Chancellor of The ANU; music from Pacific Gruve; performances from programs. Dinner will be provided. Alcohol and soft drinks will be on sale. (7.00pm-late. Courtyard near Chats café, ANU School of Art)
			FILM (VIETNAMESE): Những Cô Gái Chân Dài (<i>Girls with Long Legs</i>). (Coombs lecture theatre 8-9:30pm)	FILM + DISCUSSION: A screening of Betelnut Bisnis (Director Chris Owen) (Coombs lecture theatre 8-9:30pm)	FILM (INDONESIAN): Professor James Fox (Convenor, ANU College of Asia and the Pacific) introduces a screening of two ethnographic films on Java: <i>In the Play of Life</i> and <i>Consulting Embah Wali</i> (Coombs Lecture Theatre 8-9:30pm)

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(Coombs Extension foyer)

OPENING: Welcome, **Professor James Fox**, Convenor of the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific. Light refreshments & music by ANU Widyalaras Gamelan Ensemble. (Uni. House Fellows Garden - Quadrangle [Uni. House Hall in case of rain])

Evening meal for all John XXIII residents
(John XXIII dining room)

Shahidur Rahman, Monash Uni. *Garment industry in Bangladesh*. Discussant: **Prof. Chandra Athukorala**. (McRm)

Nisha Bhatnagar, Vic.Uni. of Technology, *Integration in education for special students*. (McRm)

Dr Kuntala Lahiri-Dutt, ANU, *Digging deep: the white and black coal economies in India*. (McRm)

GENERAL DISCUSSION (McRm)

PUBLIC LECTURE:
Dr Hak Joon Kim President & publisher, Dong-A Ilbo (East Asia Daily), Seoul, South Korea. *The North Korean nuclear issue: its past, present and future* (Coombs lecture theatre)

PUBLIC LECTURE: **Prof. Martin Stuart-Fox**, Qld University: *Buddhism and politics in Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar and Thailand*. (Haydon Allen G052)

PUBLIC LECTURE: **Professor Fujiwara** *Does democracy matter? Asia in the aftermath of democratic transition* (Coombs lecture theatre)

PUBLIC LECTURE: **Professor Byung-Kook Kim** *The future is already here. Or, is it? South Korea between rising China and hegemonic America* (Seminar room 1.13 Coombs extension)

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