

## **FORSCHUNG/LEHRE/INFORMATIONEN**

### **Konferenzankündigungen**

#### **4. Brühler Tagung junger Asienexperten "Differenzierungsprozesse in Asien: Politik, Wirtschaft, Kultur"**

**6. bis 9. Mai 2002, Brühl**

Zum vierten Mal veranstaltet das Ost-West-Kolleg der Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung (Brühl) in Zusammenarbeit mit der Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (Berlin) und der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Asienkunde eine Tagung für junge Asienexperten. Das Seminar richtet sich speziell an junge Wissenschaftler bzw. Studenten im Endstadium ihrer Ausbildung, die sich im Rahmen von Magister-, Diplomarbeit, Dissertation oder Habilitation mit aktuellen politischen, gesellschaftlichen oder wirtschaftlichen Entwicklungen in den Staaten Asiens beschäftigen. Ziel ist es, über die bestehenden Zirkel sozialwissenschaftlicher Asienforschung hinaus, zu einer fächer- und länderübergreifenden Diskussions- und Informationskultur beizutragen. Das Thema ist offen formuliert, sodass eine Vielfalt von Forschungsansätzen und -vorhaben eingebracht werden kann. In den einzelnen Panels sollen theoretische Ansätze, neue empirische Ergebnisse und Forschungsvorhaben in Kurzvorträgen von 10 Minuten vorgestellt werden. Diese werden anschließend von Fachwissenschaftlern kommentiert, und es besteht ausgiebige Gelegenheit zur Diskussion im Plenum.

Programm und Beiträge der 3. Tagung, die im Mai 2001 stattfand, können im Internet eingesehen werden auf den Seiten der DGA: <http://www.asienkunde.de>. Anmeldungen bitte per Post, Fax oder als Attachment mit E-Mail an: Dr. Gudrun Wacker, SWP, Ludwigkirchplatz 3-4, 10719 Berlin, Tel: (030) 88007-265, E-Mail: [gudrun.wacker@swp-berlin.org](mailto:gudrun.wacker@swp-berlin.org).

#### **First Mongolian Languages Symposium**

**May 17-18 2002, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia**

For further information contact: Professor J. Bat-Ireedui, School of Mongolian Languages and Cultures, National University of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar 210646, P.O. Box 727, Mongolia, Tel: +976-11 325 435, E-Mail: [isms@magicnet.mn](mailto:isms@magicnet.mn)

Deadline for abstracts: April 15, 2002

## **Discourses on Political Reform and Democratization in East and Southeast Asia in the Light of New Processes of Regional Community-Building**

**May 22-24, 2002, Duisburg/Germany**

This international conference is organized by the Institute for East Asian Studies, Gerhard-Mercator University Duisburg/Germany (responsible: Prof. Dr. Thomas Heberer, e-mail: [heberer@uni-duisburg.de](mailto:heberer@uni-duisburg.de) or Dr. Claudia Derichs, e-mail: [derichs@uni-duisburg.de](mailto:derichs@uni-duisburg.de)). Contents: Beyond the purely economic dimension of the financial and economic crisis in Asia there is also a political dimension which has generated a discourse on the political reasons for the crisis and thus the future of political structures and political systems. Albeit that the discussion may take different turns in each of the countries involved, emerging transnational processes and discussion contexts can still be discerned. Registration and further information: please contact Falko Lenzian, e-mail: [Duisburg.Conference@uni-duisburg.de](mailto:Duisburg.Conference@uni-duisburg.de)

## **8<sup>th</sup> International Euro-Asia Research Conference: 'Innovation in the Service Industries, Asian Experiences and Perspectives in the Global Context'**

**May 30-31 2002, Aix-en-Provence, France**

For further information contact: Barbara Merigeault, IAE de Poitiers, 20 rue Guillaume VII, Le Troubadour, BP 639, 86022 Poitiers Cedex, France, Tel.: +33-549 45 44 89, E-Mail: [euroasie@iae.univ-poitiers.fr](mailto:euroasie@iae.univ-poitiers.fr)

## **Southeast Asia's Population in a Changing Asian Context-Conference**

**June 10-13 2002, Bangkok, Thailand**

For further information please contact: International Union for the Scientific Studies of Population, 3-5 rue Nicolas, 75890 Paris cedex 20, France, Tel.: +33-1-5606 2173, E-Mail: [iussp@iussp.org](mailto:iussp@iussp.org), <http://www.chula.ac.th/college/cps>

## **Experiencing Southern Thailand: Current Social Transformations from a People's Perspective**

**13 to 15 June 2002, Pattani, Thailand**

The Prince of Songkla University at Pattani, in conjunction with the Department of Anthropology at Harvard University, is organizing the First Inter-Dialogue Conference on Southern Thailand with the theme "Experiencing Southern Thailand: Current Social Transformations from a People's Perspective". The conference will take place at the CS Pattani Hotel in Pattani, Thailand from 13 to 15 June 2002. We would like to advertise this conference in your newsletter. The contact persons for this conference are: Saroja Dorairajoo, Department of Anthropology, Harvard University, Cambridge MA 02138, E-Mail: [dorairaj@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:dorairaj@fas.harvard.edu) or Diyaporn Wisamitanan, FIDCOST (First Inter-Dialogue Conference on Southern Thailand),

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### **Call for Papers**

## **Tagung des Arbeitskreises Ostasien in der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geographie (DGfG)**

**14.-15.06.2002, Katholische Akademie 'Die Wolfsburg'**

Die nächste Tagung des AK Ostasien findet am 14.-15. Juni (Freitag-Samstag) 2002 in der Katholischen Akademie 'Die Wolfsburg' (zwischen Duisburg und Mülheim) statt. Im Zentrum des diesjährigen Treffens stehen ausschließlich Beiträge, die sich auf den Großraum CHINA beziehen.

Der AK spricht im Sinne humanökologischer Ansätze Human- und Physische Geographen gleichermaßen an. Er ist interdisziplinär offen. Herzlich willkommen sind Expert(inn)en auch aus den Nachbarwissenschaften: Stadt- und Regionalplanung, Verkehr und Logistik, Politikwissenschaft, Soziologie, Architektur und Bauwesen, Jura (Bau- und Bodenrecht). Wir wünschen uns Anregungen zu neuen Forschungsansätzen und möglichst theoriegeleitete Beiträge, die über Idiografisches hinaus ostasiatische (diesmal: chinesische) Charakteristika international vergleichend einzuordnen versuchen und, wenn möglich, stimulierend auch im Sinne einer angewandt-handlungsorientierten Forschung wirken. Diesem Anliegen dient auch der Kommentar von 'Diskutanten'/'Ko-Referenten', die zu möglichst jedem Vortrag Stellung beziehen. Zur Konferenz am 14.-15. Juni laden wir herzlich ein. Prof. Dr. Winfried Flüchter (Duisburg), Dr. Axel Thomas (Mainz).

Anfragen bitte an: Prof. Dr. Winfried Flüchter, Gerhard-Mercator Universität Duisburg, Fak. 1 — Institut für Geographie und Institut für Ostasienwissenschaften, Lotharstr. 1, 47048 Duisburg, Phone: ++49-(0)203-379-2250/2219, Fax: ++49-(0)203-379-3516, E-Mail: w.fluechter@uni-duisburg.de

### **Call for Papers**

## **Jahrestagung 2002 des Arbeitskreises Südostasien in der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geographie (DGfG)**

**14.-16. Juni 2002, Rauschholzhausen**

Die nächste, neunte Tagung des Arbeitskreises Südostasien in der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Geographie (DGfG) findet vom 14.-16. Juni 2002 in Rauschholzhausen statt. Die Jahrestagung wird absichtlich nicht unter ein spezielles Rahmenthema gestellt, um den Forumscharakter, gerade auch für jüngere Kolleginnen und Kollegen, sowie den interdisziplinären Charakter des Arbeitskreises zu unterstreichen. Auch der Vorstellung und Diskussion abgeschlossener oder laufender Diplomarbeiten-/Examens-, Dissertations- oder Habilitationsarbeiten wird traditionsgemäß besondere Beachtung geschenkt. Die Tagung findet in den Räumlichkeiten von Schloss Rauschholzhausen (bei Gießen/Marburg) unter der organisatorischen Leitung von Kollegen Ulrich Scholz statt. Nähere Einzelheiten zu Organisation, Ta-

gungsort und Kosten sind in Kürze unter der Website des Arbeitskreises zu finden:  
[www.suedostasien.uni-koeln.de](http://www.suedostasien.uni-koeln.de)

Vortragsangebote — mit Titel und Kurzfassung — werden bis zum 8. April 2002 erbeten an folgende Adresse: Prof. Dr. Frauke Kraas, Geographisches Institut der Universität zu Köln, Albertus-Magnus-Platz, 50923 Köln. E-Mail: [f.kraas@uni-koeln.de](mailto:f.kraas@uni-koeln.de).

### **"Globalization and its Discontents, Revisited" Sephis Conference**

**June 14-16 2002, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

For further information please contact: Sephis Programme, IISH, Cruguiusweg 31, 1019 AT Amsterdam, the Netherlands, Tel.: +31-20-463 6395, E-Mail: [sephis@iisg.nl](mailto:sephis@iisg.nl), <http://www.iisg.nl/~sephis>

### **Chinese Women and their Network Capital**

**20-21 June 2002, University of Hong Kong**

Symposium convenor: Dr. K.E. Kuah-Pearce, Main Conference Themes:

Women and their Political Networks and Capital, Women and their Social and Cultural Networks, Women, their Economic Networks and Social Capital, Women and the Cyber-networks, Women and their Religious Networks, Language: English and Mandarin, Venue: The University of Hong Kong, Deadlines: March 9, 2002: Submission of panels or paper topic with one-page abstract, May 25, 2002: Submission of completed paper (6,000 — 8,000 words), Registration: Registration fee is not required, but registration is required by May 25, 2002. Sponsor: Lee Foundation, Singapore. Further information, please contact: Miss Louisa Chau, Department of Sociology, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong, Tel: (852) 9739-8356/2859-2050, Fax: (852) 2559-8044/2857-4074, E-Mail: [ylochau@hkucc.hku.hk](mailto:ylochau@hkucc.hku.hk), Website: <http://www.hku.hk/sociodep/frame/events.htm>

### **Political Practice in Modern China**

**25-27 June 2002, Churchill College, Cambridge, England**

A conference at Churchill College, Cambridge, England, 25-27 June 2002. Supported by the East Asia Institute of Cambridge University and sponsored by the Huang Hsing Foundation, USA. Weitere Informationen, Anmeldung, Programmablauf, Ansprechpartnerin etc. finden Sie unter <http://www.oriental.cam.ac.uk/PolPrac.html>

### **"Revisiting the Asian State"**

**28-30 June 2002, Leiden, the Netherlands**

The state has long been at the heart of the study of Asian development, above all in the celebrated guise of the developmental state. The developmental state thesis,

important as it has been, has tended to obscure the particularity and variability of the state: it has substituted an undifferentiated and theoretically constrained facsimile for the original. It has encouraged an implicit and widespread endorsement of notions of the liberal state. Here, 'liberal' is not so much intended in the sense of a 'limited and non-interventionist' approach, but rather by virtue of an overly sanguine assumption that contemporary states have resolved fundamental problems of power and are best characterized in terms of authority and legitimacy.

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## **Asian Studies Association of Australia 14<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference**

**1-3 July 2002, Hobart, Tasmania**

The Conference theme, **After Sovereignty: Nation and Place** will be developed through the following streams: Post-colonial and post Cold War Asia: new political contexts and national agendas, Discourses of identity: religion, ethnicity, race, indigenusness, gender and sexuality, Globalisation: corporate power, new technologies, global and local cultural expressions, Political sovereignty: geographical borders and nation-states, Moral sovereignty: human rights and international intervention. A number of leading speakers on Asian issues, together with a number of international delegates will participate in this Conference. Nähere Informationen unter: <http://www.cdesign.com.au/asaa2002/>

## **Embracing the Other: The Interaction of Korean and Foreign Cultures**

**July 18-20, 2002, Seongnam, Korea**

Call for Papers: The Academy of Korean Studies (AKS) in conjunction with the International Society for Korean Studies (ISKS), Association for Korean Studies in Europe (AKSE) and the Korean Studies Association of Australasia (KSAA), is pleased to present this call for papers for the First World Congress of Korean Studies: Theme: Embracing the Other: The Interaction of Korean and Foreign Cultures, Venue: The Academy of Korean Studies, Seongnam, Korea, Dates: July 18-20, 2002, Paper & panel proposal deadline: February 28, 2002, Notification of acceptance: March 20, 2002, Final full text of papers deadline: June 15, 2002.

Presidential Committee: Eulbyung Chang, President, The Academy of Korean Studies, Hugh H. W. Kang, President, International Society for Korean Studies, Werner Sasse, President, Association for Korean Studies in Europe, Kenneth M. Wells, President, Korean Studies Association of Australasia. The Congress, co-organized by the AKS, ISKS, AKSE and KSAA, will provide a venue where those involved in Korean studies can join together to explore the latest achievements and developments in Korean studies worldwide. Our conference will be truly international in character, and will represent Korean study organizations in Europe, Australasia, Japan, China, Southeast Asia, South Asia, North America, and both Koreas. This conference seeks to explore the interaction and coalescing of Korean and for-

eign cultures in both the pre-modern and modern eras. Through the papers and discussions at this conference, we hope to engender interdisciplinary deliberations on the foundations of Korean culture and permit a better understanding for future discourses.

The Congress will hold 10 panels: (1) Language, (2) Literature, (3) Thought/ Religion, (4) Art, (5) Folklore, (6) Sociology/ Anthropology, (7) Political Science, (8) Economics, (9) Education, and (10) History/ Archeology. We welcome both individual paper proposals and suggestions for panels other than those specified above. All submissions will be scrutinized by anonymous review, and those selected will be presented at the Congress. If you have any questions regarding the Congress, registration, fees, accommodation, please feel free to contact the Organizing Committee for the Congress. Thank you very much for your kind attention. Gilsang Lee, Ph.D, Chair, Organizing Committee, The Academy of Korean Studies, 50 Unjung-dong, Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do Korea, 463-791, Tel: +82-31-709-9843 / Fax: +82-31-709-9945 / E-mail: congress@aks.ac.kr

### **Sex, Love, and Romance: Reflections on the Passions in East Asian Music. 8<sup>th</sup> International CHIME Conference**

**26-29 July 2002, Sheffield, United Kingdom**

For information contact: Dr. Jonathan Stock, Department of Music, University of Sheffield, 38 Taptonville Road, Sheffield S10 5BR United Kingdom, Tel.: (+44)114 222 0483, Fax: (+44)114 266 8053, E-Mail: j.p.j.stock@sheffield.ac.uk or chime@wxs.nl, <http://www.shef.ac.uk/uni/academic/I-M/mus/staff/js/chime.html>

### **8<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Mongolists**

**5-12 August 2002, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia**

For further information please contact the International Association for Mongol Studies, Ulaanbaatar 11, P.O. Box 20 A, Sukhbaatar Sq.-3, Soyolin Töv Ötgöö, Mongolia, Tel.: (+976)11 321 328/322 535, Fax: (+976)11 321 328, E-Mail: iams@magicnet.mn. Deadlines for abstracts: 30 April 2002, abstracts accepted in English, Russian and Mongolian.

### **5<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicine**

**18-24 August 2002, Halle (Saale), Germany**

Organizer: International Association for the Study of Traditional Asian Medicine. Congress website: <http://www.ictam.de>.

For further information please contact: Prof. Rahul Peter Das, Institut für Indologie und Südasienswissenschaften, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg, 06099 Halle, Germany, Tel.: (+49)345 5523 652/5523 651, Fax: (+49)345 5527 226, E-Mail: das@indologie.uni-halle.de

## **17<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Modern South Asian Studies**

**9.-14. September 2002, Heidelberg, Deutschland**

Für weitere Informationen zu Panels, Unterkunft, Ablauf und Anmeldung siehe unter <http://www.sai.uni-heidelberg.de/his/euroconf.htm>. Contact: Dr. Tilman Frasch, Im Neuenheimer Feld 330, D-69120 Heidelberg, Tel.: +49 (0) 62 21/54 89 00 /-6302, Fax: +49 (0) 62 21/54 49 98, E-mail: [frasch@sai.uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:frasch@sai.uni-heidelberg.de)

## **University of Oxford doctoral workshop on JAPANESE LINGUISTICS**

**15.-21. September 2002, University of Oxford**

A workshop for doctoral students working on Japanese linguistics (in a wide sense) will be held 15-21 September 2002 in the University of Oxford. The workshop will be open to up to 20 students.

Programme: Participants will present their projects in plenary sessions followed by discussion. Each participant will also have at least one individual session with one of the teachers. Each day will have a lecture by one of the teachers. The working language of the workshop will be English. Participants will be expected to submit a 5-10 page summary of their research project to be circulated to the other participants and teachers before the workshop. Teachers: The teachers in the workshop will be: Anthony Backhouse (University of Hokkaido), Richard Bowring (Cambridge University), Viktoria Eschbach-Szabo (Tübingen University), Bjarke Frellesvig (University of Oxford), Masayoshi Shibatani (University of Kobe), John Whitman (Cornell University). Funding: Accommodation and meals will be provided (in Hertford College). In addition, funding is being sought for transportation costs to and from England for students from Europe. Every effort will be made to secure such funding and no one should be discouraged from applying for financial reasons. Application: Application for participation will take the form of submission by 15 March 2002 of: a short description of the research project, a short CV, including description of previous study and schedule for completion, and a letter of reference from the supervisor. Interested students are, however, encouraged to express their interest as early as possible. Acceptance will be advised by medio April 2002.

Contact: Enquiries: [bjarke.frellesvig@hertford.ox.ac.uk](mailto:bjarke.frellesvig@hertford.ox.ac.uk), Applications: Bjarke Frellesvig, Oriental Institute, University of Oxford, Pusey Lane, Oxford OX1 2LE, UK.

## **EASL Konferenz**

**18.-20. September 2002, Paris**

Die nächste EASL Konferenz wird in Paris stattfinden. Weitere Angaben liegen zz. nicht vor. Kontakt über: [Benedicte.Vaerman@bib.kuleuven.ac.be](mailto:Benedicte.Vaerman@bib.kuleuven.ac.be) oder [kaun@sbb.spk-berlin.de](mailto:kaun@sbb.spk-berlin.de). Im Internet ist EASL zu finden unter <http://www.uni-kiel.de/easl/>.

## **IIAS workshop "Asian Contributions to the Formation of Modern Science. The Emergence of Artificial Languages"**

**20-21 September 2002, Leiden, the Netherlands**

Contact address: International Institute for Asian Studies, P.O. Box 9515, 2300 RA Leiden, the Netherlands, Tel.: (+31)71 527 2227, Fax: (+31)71 527 4162, E-Mail: w.feldberg@let.leidenuniv.nl, Convenor's E-Mail: jfstaal@socrates.berkeley.edu. For updates and the call for papers visit: [www.iias.nl/iias/agenda/modernscience/](http://www.iias.nl/iias/agenda/modernscience/)

## **Japan und Korea auf dem Weg in eine gemeinsame Zukunft: Aufgaben und Perspektiven**

**25.09.-28.09.2002, Brühl**

Veranstaltung (Nr. 26) des Ost-West-Kollegs der Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, die für Pädagogen, Studierende und Angehörige verschiedener Berufe als Teilnehmende interessant ist. In Kooperation mit dem Japanischen Kulturinstitut Köln und dem DIJ, Tokyo. Kontakt und mehr Informationen: OWK, Willy-Brandt-Str. 1, 50321 Brühl, Tel: 02232/92984-40/50, Fax: 02232/9299020, E-Mail: [owk@fwbund.de](mailto:owk@fwbund.de)

## **12. Deutschsprachiger Japanologentag**

**30. September-3. Oktober 2002, Universität Bonn**

Anmeldeschluss für Einzelvorträge: 31. Dezember 2001, Anmeldeschluss für Arbeitsgruppen und Sonderveranstaltungen: 31. Oktober 2001, Tagungsbüro: Japanologisches Seminar, Tagungsbüro Japanologentag, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Regina-Pacis-Weg 7, D-53113 Bonn, Kontakt: Tel.: +49-(0)228-73-9446/-1986, Fax.: +49-(0)228-73-5054, E-Mail: [japanologentag@uni-bonn.de](mailto:japanologentag@uni-bonn.de), <http://www.japanologentag.uni-bonn.de>. Nähere Informationen erfolgen in Kürze auf der Website.

## **7. Tagung der Deutsch-Japanischen Gesellschaft für Sozialwissenschaften e.V. (DJGSOZWI) "Socio-cultural System and the Environment"**

**4.-7.Oktober 2002, Yokohama, Japan**

The 7th Meeting of the German-Japanese Society for Social Sciences, October 2002: "Socio-cultural System and the Environment" is organized by Prof. Dr. Ken-ichi Tominaga. Date and place: October 4-7, 2002 at the Yokohama Campus (Faculty of Environmental and Information Studies) of the Musashi Institute of Technology, Yokohama-City, Japan. **Overview:** October 4, Friday: Arrival and Reception, October 5, Saturday: Symposium "Socio-cultural System and the Environment", October 6, Sunday: Free Sessions, October 7, Monday: Excursion.

Speakers of the Opening Ceremony: Candidates are President Horikawa of MI-Tech from the Japanese side, and Prof. Dr. Irmela Hijiya-Kirschner as well as a higher



official of the German Embassy from the German side. Members of the executive board are speakers. Program: The Program consists of two parts: the Symposium and the Free Sessions. The first day is for the Symposium, and the second day is for the Free Sessions. The length of the presentations will be 30 minutes per presentation (for both the Symposium and the Free Sessions). Symposium: The tentative title of the Symposium is "Socio-cultural System and the Environment." This topic should be discussed from interdisciplinary perspectives. The "environment" here includes both the natural and the socio-cultural environment. In other words, both kinds of papers are included, those dealing with environmental problems on the one hand, and those discussing the change of the family environment, of the rural and urban environment, and of the cultural environment, etc. on the other hand. As Germany and Japan share environmental problems, we enthusiastically expect contributions from Japanese and German speakers discussing respective experiences in their countries.

Free Sessions: Although the Symposium is expected to be the main event of the Meeting, this does not mean that the Free Sessions are not important. For all papers that are not included in the Symposium there is no restriction concerning the topic of the presentation. We invite papers on other substantial topics than on the environment. These free papers will be grouped *ex post facto* by organizing similar subjects together as it has been the case of our other conferences before. Session titles will be decided later. In case of 10 free papers, the program for the second day would be complete. If necessary, it would be possible to divide the Free Sessions into two separate rooms according to the presented topics, for parallel sessions. Accommodations, Transportation, and the Eve Party: Shin Yokohama Prince Hotel is recommended for the German and the off-Tokyo Japanese participants. Discount price would be possible. Registration Fees: Early registration Yen 10,000 per participant until June 30, 2002. Call for Papers: Please send the title and a short summary (up to ½page) as soon as possible to allow for easier planning the program. Deadline for submission of papers is March 31, 2002 (please use the form in Appendix 1). Registration: We ask all members and those colleagues interested in participation in the 7th Meeting to send their early registration until June 30, 2002. After July 1, registration fees will be Yen 12,000 per participant.

For further details please visit: [http://www.uni-konstanz.de/FuF/SozWiss/fg-psy/agentw/21st\\_circular.htm](http://www.uni-konstanz.de/FuF/SozWiss/fg-psy/agentw/21st_circular.htm)

## **Images, Representations and Perceptions in the Shia World**

**17-19 October 2002, Geneva, Switzerland**

The University of Geneva, the Institute for Development Studies, and the Graduate Institute of International Studies are organizing a conference in Geneva, at the premises of the latter institute. Named and themed 'Images, representations and perceptions in the Shia world', its aim is to provide an overview of recent studies on Shia communities around the world, stretching from Lebanon to Pakistan and including all branches of Shia Islam.

The following subthemes will be addressed: holy places, pilgrimage, maps, travels, saints and martyrs, the concept of martyrdom, Imams and *Imamzadeh(s)*, architecture, cinema, Internet, handicrafts, photography, *tazieh*, religious music, posters in the street, images in the press, calligraphy, traditional and modern painting and sculpture, symbolism, education, sovereignty, rebellion and revolution, links between religion and politics, and evolutions on the concept of *velayat-e faqih*. The organizers will pay travel expenses and accommodation. More detailed information will be provided on demand. Please contact: Prof. Silvia Naef, UNI Bastions – 3, rue de Candolle, CH-1211 Geneve 4 – Switzerland. Fax.: (+41)22 70572 81, [silvia.naef@lettres.unige.ch](mailto:silvia.naef@lettres.unige.ch), Dr. Farian Sabahi, IUHEI, 132, rue de Lausanne, 1202 Geneve – Switzerland, Fax: (+41)22 90857 10, [fariansabahi@hotmail.com](mailto:fariansabahi@hotmail.com).

### **Third Annual Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society**

**October 17-20, 2002, University of Wisconsin, Madison**

The CENTRAL EURASIAN STUDIES SOCIETY in conjunction with the Department of Languages and Cultures of Asia, the Central Asian Studies Program, and the Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is pleased to announce the convening of the Third Annual Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society. We would like to request submission of paper proposals that concern Central Eurasian studies. These include: history, languages, cultures, and modern states and societies of the Turkic, Mongolian, Iranian, Caucasian, Tibetan and other peoples of the Black Sea region, the Crimea, the Caucasus, the Middle Volga region, Central and Inner Asia and Siberia, and teaching and research about these topics and areas. We also strongly encourage proposals for pre-organized panels, including a chair and discussant. Pre-organized panels may be sponsored by scholarly organizations related to any part of Central Eurasia.

**SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS:** Participants wishing to present a paper are asked to submit an abstract of 150 words maximum, and conference registration by April 1, 2002, using the form and response information below. Confirmation of paper or panel acceptance will be available by June 1, 2002. We will do our best to accommodate proposals for papers after the deadline, but emphasize that full consideration is only assured for submissions by that date.

**PARTICIPANT INFORMATION:** 1. Name., 2. Address, 3. Telephone & fax, 4. E-mail, 5. Educational background (highest degree, year, institution, major subject), 6. Current institutional affiliation, 7. Title of Presentation, 8. Abstract (150 words maximum). **FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS/ON-LINE REGISTRATION:** On-line conference registration is available at: <http://www.wisc.edu/creeca/>

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## **China und Indien: Die nächsten Großmächte – Politik, Wirtschaft und Gesellschaft im Vergleich**

**27.10.-31.10.2002, Brühl**

Veranstaltung (Nr. 27) des Ost-West-Kollegs der Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, die für Pädagogen, Studierende und Angehörige verschiedener Berufe als Teilnehmende interessant ist. In Kooperation mit dem Zentrum für Entwicklungsforschung der Universität Bonn. Kontakt und mehr Informationen: OWK, Willy-Brandt-Str. 1, 50321 Brühl, Tel: 02232/92984-40/50, Fax: 02232/9299020, E-Mail: [owk@fzbund.de](mailto:owk@fzbund.de)

## **Japan in den 90er-Jahren**

**21.-24. November 2002, Wittenberg**

Die Jahrestagung der Vereinigung für sozialwissenschaftliche Japanforschung findet in diesem Jahr vom 21.-24. November 2002 in der LEUCOREA in Wittenberg statt.

Damit wird das Thema eines Forschungsprojekts aufgegriffen, das gegenwärtig am Institut für Sozialwissenschaftliche Forschung (*shaken*) der Universität Tôkyô unter Leitung von Professor Kikkawa durchgeführt wird. Nach der abschließenden Klärung von organisatorischen Einzelheiten wird über das genaue Programm und die Anmeldebedingungen informieren. Näheres unter: [www.vsjf.net](http://www.vsjf.net)

## **"Transnationale und internationale Integration der VR China" Call for Papers für die dritte wissenschaftliche Tagung des Arbeitskreises für sozialwissenschaftliche Chinaforschung (ASC) bei der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Asienkunde**

**22.-23. November 2002, Witten/Herdecke**

Die dritte wissenschaftliche Tagung des Arbeitskreises für sozialwissenschaftliche Chinaforschung am **22./23. November 2002** wird sich folgendem Themenschwerpunkt widmen: "Transnationale und internationale Integration der VR China".

Ziel der Konferenz ist es, die Einbindung Chinas in internationale und transnationale Institutionen und Netzwerke aus dem Blickwinkel unterschiedlicher theoretischer Ansätze in den Sozial-, Politik-, Wirtschafts- und Rechtswissenschaften zu analysieren. Dabei geht es ebenso um die Anwendung von Theorien bzw. theoretischen Ansätzen aus diesen Disziplinen auf die empirische China-Forschung wie die möglichen Konsequenzen der Ergebnisse der empirischen China-Forschung für die Theoriebildung. Auf der Tagung werden Zusammenfassungen der Beiträge präsentiert, und Kommentare von zwei Korreferenten vorgetragen. Themenvorschläge für Beiträge mit einer maximal einseitigen Zusammenfassung und ggfs. Vorschlägen für Korreferenten werden erbeten bis zum **30. April 2002**, an die E-Mail-Adresse: [hg460fi@uni-duisburg.de](mailto:hg460fi@uni-duisburg.de)

Das Programm der Konferenz wird auf der Basis der eingereichten Beiträge vom Sprecherrat des Arbeitskreises zusammengestellt. Die Beiträge sollen bis zum **15. Oktober 2002** Korreferenten zugänglich gemacht werden.

**DVCS-Jahrestagung 2002**  
**Call for papers**  
**"Kritik"**

**22.-24.11.2002, Frankfurt/Main**

Im Dezember 2000 veranstaltete die Deutsche Vereinigung für Chinastudien (DVCS) eine Jahrestagung zum Thema "Zensur: Text und Autorität in China in Geschichte und Gegenwart". Der damalige Vorschlag, auch der komplementären Frage der Kritik eine Tagung zu widmen, soll nun in die Tat umgesetzt werden: "Kritik" ist das Thema der 13. Jahrestagung der DVCS, die vom 22.-24.11.02 in der J.W. Goethe-Universität in Frankfurt/M. stattfinden wird. Kritik ist ein wesentliches Moment freien und unabhängigen Denkens. Ihre Ausprägung in einer Kultur kann ein Indiz für deren Aufgeklärtheit sein, und der Grad ihrer Tolerierung kann als Maßstab für die Liberalität einer Gesellschaft gelten.

Kritik hat nicht nur politische Dimensionen; sie ist von allgemeinem Aufschluss für das Selbstverständnis einer Kultur und zeigt den Stand der verschiedenen Wissenschaften und Künste. Kritik kann Traditionen beenden, die ihr nicht standhalten, und ihrerseits neue Traditionen zweiter Ordnung begründen. Dabei kann sie verschiedenen Kriterien folgen, verschiedene Formen annehmen und verschiedene Gegenstandsbereiche betreffen, immer aber tritt sie in eine Distanz zum Bestehenden. Hiermit ist sie ein wesentliches Element der Zukunftsfähigkeit von Gesellschaften und Lebensformen, zumal unter modernen Bedingungen.

Auch in China hat die Kritik eine lange Geschichte. Sie ist die Triebkraft der chinesischen Philosophie, die ohne sie nicht entstanden wäre. Sie hat in den Formen der Literatur- und Historiographiekritik Poesie und Geschichtsschreibung begleitet. Sie hat als Kultur-, Traditions- und Quellenkritik das Verhältnis Chinas zu seinen eigenen Grundlagen beeinflusst. Sie hat als Machtkritik das politische System herausgefordert und zugleich mit geprägt. Sie hat institutionell wie außerinstitutionell ihre eigenen Formen und Traditionen gefunden und ist selbst Gegenstand kritischer Reflexion geworden. Kritik ist allerdings nicht notwendig mit Aufgeklärtheit und Freiheit einhergegangen, denn sie ist bis in die jüngste Zeit auch für politische und soziale Kontrolle und Unterdrückung funktionalisiert worden.

Nicht zuletzt ist Kritik ein Gegenstand, der auch die Sinologie selbst betrifft, insofern sie ihre eigene Geschichte und Gegenwart fortwährend und unvoreingenommen zu reflektieren hat. Kritik ist somit ein Motiv, das eine Reihe von bedeutenden Aspekten der alten und modernen chinesischen Kultur und zugleich eine Vielzahl sinologischer Teildisziplinen (Philologie, Philosophie, Literatur, Kunst, Politologie, Historiographie, usw.) und das Fach als solches berührt. Wie schon in den vergangenen Jahren hofft die DVCS deshalb, mit ihrem Tagungsthema die Chinawissenschaften in ihrer ganzen Breite anzusprechen und viele Referentinnen und Referenten aus unterschiedlichen Bereichen zu einer gemeinsamen Diskussion zusammenzubringen. Auch diesmal ist die Publikation der Beiträge in einem Sammelband vorgesehen.

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### **The Namche Conference People, Park, and Mountain Ecotourism at Namche Bazaar**

**5-8 December 2002, Khumbu, Nepal**

For further information please contact: Bridges-PRTD and the Laboratory of Geology, Hokkaido University (Prof. Teiji Watanabe).

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### **Zwischen Globalisierung und Tradition: Wohin geht China im 21. Jahrhundert?**

**9.12.-13.12.2002, Brühl**

Veranstaltung (Nr. 33) des Ost-West-Kollegs der Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, die für Pädagogen, Studierende und Angehörige verschiedener Berufe als Teilnehmende interessant ist. Kontakt und mehr Informationen: OWK, Willy-Brandt-Str. 1, 50321 Brühl, Tel: 02232/92984-40/50, Fax: 02232/9299020, E-Mail: [owk@fzbund.de](mailto:owk@fzbund.de)

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### **The Russo-Japanese War and the 20<sup>th</sup> Century: An Assessment from a Centennial Perspective**

**10 February 2003, Jerusalem, Israel**

For further information please contact: Dr. Rotem Kowner, Japan and Asia Program, Dept. of Multidisciplinary Studies, University of Haifa, Mt. Carmel 31905, Haifa, Israel, Tel: (+972)4 824 0559, Fax: (+972)4 824 9155.

### **12<sup>th</sup> World Sanskrit Conference**

**14-19 July 2003, Helsinki, Finland**

Mailing address: 12<sup>th</sup> World Sanskrit Conference, Institute for Asian and African Studies, University of Helsinki, P.O. Box 59, FIN-00014 Helsinki, Finland. Tel: (+9)358 19122 674, Fax: (+9)358 19122 094, [petteri.koskikallio@helsinki.fi](mailto:petteri.koskikallio@helsinki.fi) or [asko.parpola@helsinki.fi](mailto:asko.parpola@helsinki.fi) or [klaus.karttunen@helsinki.fi](mailto:klaus.karttunen@helsinki.fi), <http://www.helsinki.fi/hum/aakkl/12wsc>.

**Call for Papers**  
**Triennial Conference of the European Association for Japanese**  
**Studies, Economics and Economic History Section**  
**Change, Rigidity and Adaptation in the Japanese Economic**  
**System, Past and Present**

**27-30 August 2003, Warsaw, Poland**

Institutional change is an ongoing, important subject in discussion of the realities of Japanese economic development. Often, change has been seen as problematic, since a variety of established practices – such as vertical groupings, strong personal relations or an insufficient ability to create knowledge – appear to be in conflict with the new structures that are needed, impeding, for example, the opening of enterprises to the public, more market-oriented decision-making behaviour or creativity in product development. Many well-known commentators on the Japanese economy, both Japanese and non-Japanese, have argued that the present problems of the Japanese economic system have resulted from the inability of a hitherto successful system to change to new structures. This view of the slow pace of change is closely tied to the concept of path-dependence. On the other side, factors such as new technologies and the power of foreign capital seem to be imposing paradigmatic, radical changes. The sudden rise of mergers and acquisitions or the rapid dissolution of company groupings can be interpreted as indicators that change is far from slow, at least in some well-defined areas of the economy. In other words, change occurs in a disruptive manner, in the sense of Schumpeter's 'creative destruction', since in the presence of a rapidly changing environment new, radical solutions are the only rational response. For economic historians, too change, or lack of change, is the very core of studying the longer term dynamics of the Japanese economy.

To facilitate discussion of this very broad subject area, we would like to subdivide our focus into the three following areas:

- Economic policy
- Management and labour issues
- Technology and innovation.

It is our intention to discuss these subjects in discrete sub-panels during the course of the conference. We would hope that the time allocated for each paper will be 30 minutes, of which 15 minutes will be available for presentation, and 15 minutes for discussion. However, the final time allocation will be subject to the number of contributors and the scheduling adopted for the conference as a whole. We believe that this construction will allow us to discuss the overall question of institutional change in greater depth. In this sense, we would be pleased if researchers from disciplines other than economics / economic history, such as law, history of technology, politics or sociology, who have worked in this area, would consider contributing to our sessions. The Convenors welcome offers of papers that come under this broad heading, and which deal with past and present aspects of the Japanese economic system, in particular the dynamics of the system, and the balance between stability, flexibility and rigidity. We hope that the papers offered will also help us to learn something about institutional change by looking at the Japanese experience.

We hope that this broad conceptual format will be able to incorporate the majority of those who would like to be present. However, if there are doubts or questions concerning this classification of papers, and how far individual papers can be fitted in to it, please do not hesitate to ask us. We are very anxious that the organisation of papers and discussion we have proposed should not exclude anyone's research agenda, and will be happy to offer space for those who feel that their offering cannot be comfortably fitted into our categorisation. In addition, if any potential contributor wishes to propose a separate sub-panel on a particular topic, we would be happy to consider this, but any such proposal must be accompanied by the names of scholars who have already confirmed their willingness to participate.

#### *Procedure and Time Scale*

- The title of the proposed paper should be sent by mail or e-mail to both the convenors at the addresses given below by **31st July, 2002**, with an indication of which, if any, of the proposed sub-panels would be most appropriate.
- If an additional area besides economic policy, management and labour issues and technology and innovation is to be proposed, the proposal of the additional area should be sent to both the convenors at the addresses given below by **31st July, 2002**, with an indication of at least three speakers who have agreed to present a paper.
- An abstract of the contents of the paper (maximum 2 pages) should be sent to both the convenors by **30<sup>th</sup> September, 2002**.
- A draft list of papers submitted to the section will be drawn up by the end of October, 2002. Proposals submitted after this date will only be considered if there is still room in the panels.

#### *Publication*

It is our intention to approach British publishers with a view to publishing some of the papers presented at the conference in a volume focussing on past and present institutional change in the Japanese economy. Any such publication would be based mainly on contributions at the Warsaw conference, but in the interests of producing a coherent and focussed volume, the convenors will reserve the right to select papers, and, if necessary, to seek additional contributions. In view of the timing of the conference, we would ask contributors who wish their papers to be considered for publication to submit a manuscript by the **31<sup>st</sup> December, 2003**. Papers should not exceed 8,000 words, including footnotes. Papers submitted after this date will not be considered for publication. The convenors, as editors, will then select papers, and, if necessary, request revisions. In order to expedite the final publication (in Britain the time from manuscript submission to publication is normally c.9-12 months), we would expect to receive revised papers by **30<sup>th</sup> April, 2004**.

We would be very pleased if as many of you as possible were to use this opportunity of exchanging ideas on ongoing research on the Japanese economy and its historical foundations. We therefore invite all economists and economic and social historians working in this area to respond with a wide variety of contributions which will allow

our discussions to range across the history of Japan's economic development through to today's actual situation. In this sense, we would like to follow the call made by Ari Kokko and Franz Waldenberger before the last conference, to "make use of this 'once in three years' opportunity".

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## **The 13<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the International Industrial Relations Association (IIRA)**

**September 8-12, 2003 in Berlin, Germany**

The congress will be organized by the German Industrial Relations Association (GIRA) and hosted by the Free University of Berlin. The conference theme will be "Beyond Traditional Employment: Industrial Relations in the Network Economy". Like the 12th World Congress, which took place in Tokyo last year, the Berlin congress will presumably be attended by more than 1000 industrial relations researchers and practitioners from all over the world. You are most welcome to not only to attend the congress but also to submit a paper (Bewerbungsschluss für Vorträge war schon der 31. Januar 2002 (!)). For more information please visit the congress' website: [www.fu-berlin.de/iira2003](http://www.fu-berlin.de/iira2003)

## **Asien-Pazifik-Wochen**

**15.-28. September 2003 in Berlin**

Im Jahre 2003 wird Indien das Schwerpunktland der 4. Asien-Pazifik-Wochen sein.

## **Informationen**

### **HSK 2002**

**18. Mai 2002, Hannover**

Prüfung zum Nachweis chinesischer Sprachkenntnisse veranstaltet vom Chinesischen Zentrum Hannover e.V. und dem Fachverband Chinesisch e.V. Anmeldung, nähere Informationen und Materialien beim Chinesischen Zentrum Hannover e.V., Pelikanstr. 13, 30177 Hannover, Tel: 0511/62627790, Fax: 0511/62627799.

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