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Preface

In January 2017, the Center for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS) was re-launched. Our new center originated in the merger of two centers. One is CSEAS, which was officially established in 1965 and over the years has accumulated a body of world-class scholarship generated from long-term multidisciplinary fieldwork in Southeast Asia. The former CSEAS celebrated its 50th anniversary in December 2015. The second is the Center for Integrated Area Studies (CIAS), which was established in 2006 by nine faculty members from the Japan Center for Area Studies at the National Museum of Ethnology. CIAS took on the challenge of pioneering a new approach to area informatics and comparative area studies and celebrated its 10th anniversary in April 2016. In 2017, these two centers merged, giving birth to a new CSEAS with the mission to promote holistic area studies of Southeast Asia and beyond. This is the first report in English to be published under our new center.

CSEAS faces a number of new challenges. The first is how to transform area studies from a science of understanding to a science of creating. We want to create new paradigms for co-existence based on deep and multi-disciplinary understandings of societies. In this context, we believe that the social and cultural experiences of Southeast Asia, and the wisdom embodied in them, provide us with valuable information and knowledge to stimulate ideas on how to look at life. The second is how to promote wider interdisciplinary studies. Since their inceptions, both centers have had interdisciplinarity at the heart of their approaches. However, with fast-paced socio-economic globalization and rapidly advancing science and technology, we are compelled to collaborate with new disciplines, such as informatics and medicine. Finally, there is a pressing need to explore new research methods and elaborate research methodologies. Transdisciplinary studies enable us to pursue a deeper commitment to society and innovate research outcomes. We aim to strengthen our role as an international research hub for area studies of Southeast Asia and beyond in order to respond to these challenges.

One year has passed since the establishment of the new CSEAS. We are working under new in-house divisions and two in-house centers, the ASEAN Research Platform and the Glocal Information Platform. Additionally, we have set up two new programs, a post-doctoral fellowship program and a global online video distribution program. The former internationally recruits rising stars while the latter will disseminate our research work more widely to civil society. We hope that these programs will serve as new interfaces for us to develop as a world-class research institute.

Although we are still in the process of establishing our new institute, I believe that on-going discussions and consensus-making will be indispensable for further strengthening our institute. I will step down from the directorship at the end of March 2018, and we will welcome the new director, Prof. Yoko Hayami, on April 1, 2018. I have deeply appreciated your generous support and constructive criticism during my term, and sincerely hope that these will continue under the new director.

February 2018
Director
KONO, Yasuyuki
Objectives

- To engage with and develop solutions to complex global issues
- To strengthen social- and humanities-centered interdisciplinary research approaches
- To enhance understanding and appreciation of the value of diversity in human societies

Promotion of trans-disciplinary collaborative research

- To form academic communities that can deal with transnational issues
- To move toward life-oriented research approaches attuned to regional diversity
- To create socially innovative approaches to the needs of the environment
- To share and use global information resources

Broad Multidisciplinary Approach to Research

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Reorganization of CSEAS and CIAS

Research Activities

Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research Projects

CSEAS scholars have been awarded funding for various interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary topics under Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research Projects run by Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS).

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Japan-ASEAN Platform for Transdisciplinary Studies

The Japan-ASEAN Platform advances transdisciplinary research and integrates perspectives from various sectors of society by bringing together scholars on Southeast Asia, scientists and engineers, the governments, business communities, and civil society. Its core objective is the production of new knowledge gleaned from unique local experiences and local wisdom from the ground.

Japan-ASEAN Science, Technology and Innovation Platform (JASTIP)
http://jastip.org/en/

The project aims to contribute the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Japan and ASEAN through collaborative research on science and technology in the fields of energy and environment, biomaterials and biodiversity, and disaster prevention. It also promotes the collaboration between academic and private sectors and fosters young researchers through multiple research networks in the region.

International Program of Collaborative Research (IPCR)
https://ipcr.cseas.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/

The IPCR aims to (1) promote multi-disciplinary joint research projects on Southeast Asia, emphasizing knowledge gained from local peoples and societies, (2) function as a research hub around a repository of historical documents and research materials on Southeast Asia, (3) support young scholars to present their work at international conferences, and (4) publish monographs.

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## RESEARCH DIVISIONS

### Cross-cultural Studies

This division features Area Studies approaches across regions through social cooperation and practice-oriented research.

### Political & Economic Coexistence

This division analyzes the dynamic political-economic transformations of countries in Southeast Asia through comparative approaches of the experiences of developing countries in the region and the world.

### Environmental Coexistence

This division, using interdisciplinary approaches, develops knowledge and theories on sustainability of human societies.

### Social Coexistence

This division analyzes the plural coexistence of cultures in Southeast Asia and beyond by looking at the changing interactions between culture, society, and ecology.

### Global Humanosphere

This division, using interdisciplinary approaches, develops knowledge and theories on the long-term sustainability of human societies.

## RESEARCH THEMES

### Environmental Coexistence

- Developing a new understanding of sustainability of human societies.
- Developing knowledge and theories on the long-term sustainability of human societies.
- Exploring the dynamics of political-economic transformations in countries in Southeast Asia through comparative approaches of the experiences of developing countries in the region and the world.

### Social Coexistence

- Analyzing the plural coexistence of cultures in Southeast Asia and beyond.
- Examining the changing interactions between culture, society, and ecology.

### Global Humanosphere

- Developing knowledge and theories on the long-term sustainability of human societies.
- Interpreting the dynamics of political-economic transformations in countries in Southeast Asia through comparative approaches of the experiences of developing countries in the region and the world.

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### Division of Cross-cultural Studies

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- OBIYA, Chika, Associate Professor
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- ORi, Mika, Assistant Professor
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- KIM, Ahmed Yaran, Program Specific Researcher
- NAITO, Satoshi, Program Specific Researcher
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Global Academic Networks

MOUs

The International Institute for Tibetan Research and to develop considerable scholarly resources to promote research activities by distinguished scholars. To date, over 350 MOUs have been signed, covering a wide range of disciplines and topics, including library materials, joint research projects, and personnel exchanges.

Visiting Research Scholars

The Center for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS) has developed close ties with many universities and research institutions in the region and beyond. Scholars from Thailand and Indonesia, they now have the opportunity to exchange ideas, collaborate, and conduct joint research projects.

Total MOUs 71 institutions in 27 countries

Total 383 Visiting Research Scholars from 32 countries

Overseas Liaison Offices

CBIS has established liaison offices in Bangkok and Jakarta. These offices serve as bases for collecting information and materials, such as library materials, joint research projects, and personnel exchanges, for researchers in the region to organize and conduct joint research activities.

CBIS has also taken an active role in supporting the establishment of the Kyoto University Research Institute for Southeast Asian Studies (KRI). The offices are managed by visiting scholars and are open to the public for research purposes.
**Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies in Asia (SEASIA)**

The Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies in Asia (SEASIA) was established in 2015 by ten leading research universities and institutions in Southeast Asia and the United States. Its mission is to promote research and collaboration in Southeast Asian studies across the region. The SEASIA biannual conference is held in rotation among the member institutions.

**Featured Scholars**

**Hayami, Yoko**

Professor
Cross-European Studies

From July 2016 to January 2017, I spent seven months in Thailand conducting fieldwork on elderly care and in and around Chiang Mai for a comparative study between indus trializing Thailand and post-industrial Japan on the dynamics of the social foundations of care in the era of global aging. I spent my days visiting communities, elderly care facilities, social workers, NGOs, workers, nurses, and students. My questions revolved around the family and community, and how these social formations are transforming, how care is provided, and how the elderly are experiencing this. The most memorable were interviews with elderly residents of the public elderly home where I spent almost half of my time. I hope to do justice to their rich and sometimes emotional narratives in presenting my findings. Subsequently, from mid-February to mid-August 2017, I stayed at Cornell University to conduct library research on the same topic. I am grateful to the SSRC-Abe Fellowship for sponsoring this research, to Chiang Mai University for facilitating my research, to the Southeast Asia Program at Cornell for receiving me as a visiting scholar, and to CSEAS for allowing me to take leave during these precious months.

**De Jong, Wil**

Professor
Global Humanisms

Nowadays I call myself a specialist in forest governance. I have had the privilege of working on tropical forest regions in Asia, Africa, and South America. Together with a large group of collaborators in these countries, I have studied in detail what behind the processes of the red-forest increase in Asia as a region. In a follow-up study, we hope to identify how much forest ecosystem services return once forest cover starts to increase in Latin America, my work has recently focused on climate change and forests and forest legality. I would like to expand the forest legality work in both Latin America and Asia in parallel, but unfortunately, the funding and government agencies in Asia are more hesitant to support such work. I am hoping to extend my research to other forest regions and forest transitions, the current focus of an ALI-funded project in China and Laos, into Latin America. With support from CSEAS funds for the Japan-Latin America Network, I organized a workshop in the Imperial City of Cuicui, Peru. The workshop brought together specialists from Asia, and South America, and Europe to discuss how the concept of ecosystem services is understood in different regions of the world, how the concept is used to guide academic research, how it informs natural resource policies, and whether it mobilizes private entrepreneurship.

**Library**

The CSEAS library is one of the largest collections of academic publications on Southeast Asian studies available in the world. Online information about the library is as follows:

**Library**

https://library.cseas.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/

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Map Collections

The collection of maps at CSEAS covers Southeast Asia as well as almost the whole area from South to East Asia and the surrounding regions. At present, the collection comprises nearly 44,000 sheets, and includes the historically valuable series “Gaihouzu,” Japanese Army topographical maps and nautical charts covering South, East, and Southeast Asia. Materials in the collection range from the pre-war period maps to recent aerial surveys. In addition to these, CSEAS also houses 24,000 topographic, geographical, land-use, vegetation, administrative, and road maps. CSEAS stores not only maps, but also other materials, such as aerial photos. The Williams-Hunt Collection, for example, includes 5,800 aerial photographs taken in mainland Southeast Asia during and after the World War II. CSEAS recognizes all of these maps and photos as precious common properties for Southeast Asian studies and therefore in recent years has been advancing the digitization of materials to make them more widely available.

Databases

Area studies are interdisciplinary science and databases are essential tools to accumulate, share, and integrate diverse data from various domains. However, as each database encodes data using language, vocabularies, and metadata depending on the convention of the domain, building databases and integrating heterogeneous data are difficult. CSEAS has developed MyDatabase (MyDB) and the Resource Sharing System (RSS) to support comprehensive information processing for area studies. MyDB is a database builder, allowing researchers to use nonstandard vocabularies according to their own purpose and to build databases without expert knowledge about servers and database systems. Most of the CSEAS databases are built using MyDB. RSS integrates heterogeneous databases on the Internet and provides users with a uniform interface to retrieve databases seamlessly in one operation. RSS integrates more than 50 databases, including not only those of CSEAS, but also databases from foreign research institutes. We are currently developing next-generation systems that can make better use of big data and the cloud.

Information Processing Office

https://info.cseas.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/

The Information Processing Office is responsible for implementing support for research and education activities carried out at CSEAS. Activities include not only managing information infrastructures and systems, but also participating in research, cooperating with various research and open source communities, and suggesting new frameworks that support future research endeavors.

Education

CSEAS is committed to education. Our faculty provide courses both within Kyoto University and at other institutions. At the undergraduate level, faculty teach courses on a variety of topics relating to Southeast Asia at the Institute for Liberal Arts and Sciences (ILAS) as well as pocket seminars. At the graduate level, faculty provide specialized courses across the disciplinary spectrum at the Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies (ASAFAS). CSEAS also offers opportunities for graduate students from Southeast Asia to participate in an annual seminar sponsored and held within the region called the Southeast Asia Seminar. As part of the educational outreach program of CSEAS and in collaboration with the government-sponsored Super Global High School (SGH) program, CSEAS also offers special yearly lectures to high school students from schools participating in this initiative. This program offers valuable opportunities for young students to be exposed to current and diverse issues that are playing out in the region.
Since its beginning, CSEAS has prioritized publishing research results. The academic journal Tonan Ajia Kenkyu began with the founding of the Center. Since the 1960s monographs have been published in both Japanese and in English, and over the years we have engaged in various publication initiates. A complete list of CSEAS publications is available on the homepage of the editorial office at https://edit.cseas.kyoto-u.ac.jp/.

Monographs
CSEAS publishes the below series for the presentation of original academic studies contributing to the development of area studies in Southeast Asia and beyond. We receive manuscripts from within and outside the country, with special emphasis on Asian authors. Each series has a different emphasis in terms of the types of material and the regions covered. For details, please visit our website.

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New Publications
Kyoto Area Studies on Asia Vol.31 (Japanese)
- Memory: Widows Living in Rural Cambodia: The Social System Preventing from Poverty
  Nao SATO. 2017.

Frontiers of Area Studies Vol.6 (Japanese)
- Crisis of Multi-dimensionalities: Searching a New Order for the Future

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- Moral Politics in the Philippines: Inequality, Democracy and the Urban Poor
  Yukiko USUKAKA. 2017.
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  Beyond Documenting World Order: Possibility of Asia-Pacific Paradigm
  Yukiko HAYASHI, eds. 2017.
- Kyoto Area Studies on Asia Vol.32 (Japanese)
  Production of History: Narrating and Silencing Southeast Asia’s Past
- Kyoto Area Studies on Asia Vol.33 (Japanese)
  Capturing Culture Embodied in People
  Chika OBIYA, eds. 2017.
- Kyoto Review of Southeast Asia
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Journals
Since its first publication in 1963, the bilingual quarterly Tonan Ajia Kenkyu has reflected the Center for Southeast Asian Studies’ strong commitment to publishing the best of empirically grounded, multidisciplinary, and contemporary research on Southeast Asia and beyond.

In 2012, we launched Southeast Asian Studies as its sister English journal in order to reach broader international audiences, while Tonan Ajia Kenkyu was reorganized as a bimonthly Japanese journal. Reflecting the Center’s fieldwork-based, multidisciplinary, and contemporary approaches, both journals publish work from diverse fields of study on Southeast Asia, including the natural sciences, social sciences, and arts and humanities. Both journals are indexed in Scopus run by Elsevier.

Kyoto Working Papers on Area Studies
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Kyoto Working Papers on Area Studies is a series published jointly by the three area studies institutions of Kyoto University: the Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies (ASAFAS); the Center for African Area Studies (CAAS); and, the Center for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS).

CIRAS Discussion Paper Series
The CIRAS (Center for Information Resources of Area Studies) discussion paper series is published to ensure the quick release of research results by CSEAS faculty members and those involved in the CIRAS joint research projects. In addition to papers, we release a variety of research results, such as research reports, reference materials, annotated bibliographies, and records on workshops and symposia published by CIRAS faculty overseeing the author (editor).

Online Academic Community of Southeast Asia
The Kyoto Review of Southeast Asia was launched to promote exchange among the intellectual communities of Southeast Asia. Each issue is organized around a theme and reviews recent work, especially books published in the region and in local languages. Recognizing that mutual inaccessibility of national languages is an important barrier to deepening knowledge of neighboring countries, we use translation to facilitate informed discussion. It is the only journal that publishes articles in five languages: English, Thai, Bahasa, Vietnamese, and Japanese. Moreover, the Young Academic’s Voice column promotes works by young intellectuals who conduct research on Southeast Asia and provides a platform for them to disseminate their work through CSEAS’s extensive networks across the globe.

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Community Building

In line with CSEAS’s research agendas, faculty and the projects they run, provide public contributions. CSEAS staff frequently provide invaluable services in the form of ongoing teaching and outreach programs within Japan, Southeast Asia, and East Asia. Additionally, some of CSEAS’s flagship projects such as the Kyoto Review of Southeast Asia provide up-to-date high-profile commentary on major issues in the region with access in Southeast Asian vernaculars. Other projects, such as the Visual Documentary Project (VDP) aim to build bridges between academia and civil society through dialogue with filmmakers. CSEAS has also played a role in building networks within the region and beyond through MOUs and the formation of the Consortium for Southeast Asian Studies in Asia (SEASIA) to help academics liaise more effectively and stimulate new linkages between not only scholars, but public intellectuals.

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