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ABOUT COTS

COTS, established in 1972, is a consortium of universities with a particular interest in Thai Studies. The annual COTS meeting is designed to provide scholars, students, and practitioners with opportunities to present both preliminary and more developed research analysis and reflections, primarily in the social sciences and humanities, related to Thai Studies.

FRIDAY, 12 OCTOBER

12,00-12,15 PM

OPENING OF COTS
TYRELL HABERKORN, UW-MADISON

12,15-1,30 PM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS/CSEAS FRIDAY FORUM
"DEVELOPMENT AND IMPACT OF THE THAI
MILITARY'S POLITICAL OFFENSIVE"
PUANGTHONG PAWAKAPAN, CHULALONGKORN
UNIVERSITY AND HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE

1,30-2,30 PM

BREAK

2,30-3,40 PM

PANEL 1: CAPITAL AND REGULATION
CHAIR: JANPANIT SURASIN

* KAMAL NARAYANAN, "EMERGING CAPITALISM IN THAILAND - A COMPARISON OF POLITICAL ECONOMIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA"

* NITCHAPAT KITCHARERN, CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY, "REALITY AND RHETORICS OF CHANGES IN THAILAND'S UNIVERSITY ADMISSION POLICY (1999-2017)"

* PUTTAPORN AREEPRACHAKUN, UW-MADISON, "PERFORMATIVE BORDERING PRACTICES: THE STUDY OF THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN MIGRANT WORKERS FROM MYANMAR AND NATIVE-BORN PEOPLE IN THE MAHACHAI AREA, SAMUT SAKHON PROVINCE, THAILAND"

3,50-5,00 PM

PANEL 2: RESISTANCE AND DIFFERENCE ACROSS
LANGUAGE AND MARGINS
CHAIR: ERICK WHITE

* MATTHEW GRIFFIN, UW-MADISON, "PRODUCTION OF PHONETIC AND PHONOLOGICAL CONTRASTS BY THAI HERITAGE SPEAKERS"

* ALAN POTKIN, NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, "SHAN RESISTANCE TO SALWEEN HYDROPOWER AND THE PRESENT UNRESOLVED INSURGENCY"

* WILL SHATTUCK, UW-MADISON, "NEGOTIATING THE RUBBER PRICE DROP: THE WORK OF REGIONAL-POLITICAL EXPRESSION IN SOUTHERN THAILAND"

5,00-5,15 PM

BREAK



5,15-6,05 PM

PANEL 3: MILITARY, DEMOCRACY AND THE PLACE OF POLITICS

CHAIR: PENCHAN PHOBORISUT

- * PITCH PONGSAWAT, "BANGKOK IN THE AGE OF POST-POLITICS: THE TRANSFORMATION OF URBAN SPACE BY MILITARY JUNTA (2015 -) AND THE CONTINGENCY OF POLITICAL STRUGGLES"
- * PAUL CHAMBERS, "LOCATING GEN. KRIT SIVARA IN THE EVOLUTION OF THAILAND'S DEFECTIVE DEMOCRACY"

6,15-7,30 PM

PANEL 4: THE COLD WAR: SECRETS, SPIRITS AND KINGS

CHAIR: JEFFREY SHANE

- * P. MIKE RATTANASENGCHANH, OHIO UNIVERSITY, "U.S.-THAI PUBLIC DIPLOMACY: THE USIS'S AND THAI MILITARY-MONARCHICAL GOVERNMENT'S ANTI-COMMUNIST AND PRO-VIETNAM WAR ACTIVITIES, 1964-1968"
- * SHANE STRATE, KENT STATE UNIVERSITY, "RELIGION FOLLOWS THE FLAG: THE VIETNAM WAR AND MORMONISM'S RETURN TO THAILAND, 1961-76"
- * SINAE HYUN, UW-WHITEWATER, "SECRET WAR IN LAOS": AN INVENTED SAGA OF THE CIA AND PARU DURING THE LAO CIVIL WAR"

SATURDAY, 13 OCTOBER

9-10,30 AM

PANEL 5: QUEERING GENDER: MEDIA, SOCIETY AND HISTORY

CHAIR: JINDA MOORE

- * PICHAYA KOSITSAWAT, CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY, "DOCILE AGENTS: THE ETHICAL FORMATION OF THAI LESBIANS IN THE CONTEXT OF HETEROSEXUAL NORMATIVITY"
- * MONTITA SOWAPARK, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, "GENDER AND QUEERNESS IN THAI NATIONALIST DISCOURSE: A CASE STUDY OF THAI MEDIA ARTIFACTS"
- * NATALIE TANTISIRIRAT, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, "DEPICTION OF THAI MOTHERHOOD IN LONG-FORM COMMERCIALS"
- * IAN BAIRD, UW-MADISON, "THE HMONG, THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THAILAND, AND THE TRANSFORMATION OF GENDER RELATIONS"

10,30-10,55 AM

BREAK



10,45-11,55 AM

**PANEL 6: SPACE AND POLITICS IN NORTHERN THAILAND
CHAIR: KANJANA THEPBORIRUK**

- * PIYAWIT MOONKHAM, WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY, "SACRED SPACE AS COMMUNITY CENTER: THE SOCIAL LOGIC OF SPATIAL PATTERNS IN EARLY NORTHERN THAI TEMPLES"
- * TAYLOR EASUM, UW-STEVENS POINT, "GLOBAL TOURISM, NATIONAL POLITICS, AND LOCAL IDENTITY: CHIANG MAI AS A WORLD HERITAGE SITE"
- * JOEL SELWAY, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY, "THE POLITICS OF LANNA NATIONALISM"

12,00-1,15 PM

LUNCH (SEE MAP PROVIDED AT COTS FOR CLOSE-BY OPTIONS.)

1,15-2,30 PM

ROUNDTABLE: MILITARY DICTATORSHIP, PROMISED ELECTIONS AND THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY

2,40-3,30 PM

PANEL 7: THE CONSTRUCTION AND REPRODUCTION OF NATIONALISM

CHAIR: SHANE STRATE

- * PENCHAN PHOBORISUT, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY-FULLERTON, "THE THAI CAVE DRAMA: PROLIFERATION OF THE THAI STATE'S NATIONALISM"
- * KANJANA THEPBORIRUK, NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, "THAINESS IS EVERYTHING: PHIBUNSONGKHRAM, PROPAGANDA, AND THE APPROPRIATION OF FOREIGN IDEAS FOR NATION-BUILDING"

3,30-3,45 PM

BREAK

3,45-4,55 PM

PANEL 8: RELIGIOUS DEVOTION, REPRESSION AND REIMAGINATION

CHAIR: NEERANOCH MALANGPOO

- * MICHAEL CHLADEK, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, "'อยู่'ในนรก (BEING IN HELL)': COUNTERNARRATIVES OF NOVICEHOOD IN NORTHERN THAILAND"
- * ERICK WHITE, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, "DEVOTIONAL INTIMACY, BUDDHIST PIETY AND THE REIMAGINING OF DEITIES AND POSSESSION IN MODERN THAI BUDDHISM"
- * PRAKIRATI SATASUT, UW-MADISON, "MONASTIC PURGE IN THE AGE OF MILITARY RULE"

4,55-5,15 PM

CLOSING

5,15-6 PM

COTS BUSINESS MEETING (MEMBER INSTITUTIONS ONLY.)

SUNDAY, 14 OCTOBER

9,30 AM - 1 PM

BRUNCH (OPTIONAL) AT TYRELL HABERKORN'S HOUSE. ADDRESS TO BE PROVIDED DURING COTS.