



SOUTHEAST ASIA RESEARCH CENTRE ANNUAL REPORT 2004

The Southeast Asia Research Centre (SEARC) is a research centre of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHS). It was inaugurated in February 2001 under founding Director Professor Kevin Hewison (Department of Applied Social Studies), who led the Centre until his departure for the University of North Carolina in December 2004. Dr Vivienne Wee (Department of the Applied Social Studies) remains the Associate Director.

The Centre has established an excellent international reputation. It has produced a range of high-quality and important publications and has enhanced academic debate at City University through numerous seminars and international conferences, symposia and workshops and through visits by respected scholars working on Southeast Asia.

Since Professor Hewison's resignation from the University in December 2004, Professor Ian Holliday has been Acting Director. With a major external review having been undertaken in late 2004, the Centre is now entering a new phase in its development.

MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

SEARC's **mission** is to seek to further enhance its position as an internationally recognised centre of excellence in applied studies of contemporary Southeast Asia. The current focus of the Centre's work is applied research in the areas of economic and political development, with particular attention to investment and trade in the China-Hong Kong-Southeast Asia triangle,

labour practices, ethnicity and the environment.

SEARC's mission statement was changed in 2004 to better reflect the development of the Centre and the changing role of City University within Hong Kong's higher education sector.

The **objectives** of SEARC are:

- To further develop its internationally significant research programme by making new contributions to knowledge on social, economic and political developments in Southeast Asia.
- To produce high quality academic publications on Southeast Asia.
- To provide government and business with valuable, policy relevant information on the region.
- To establish mutually beneficial links with international researchers and institutions studying Southeast Asia.
- To further enhance the study of Southeast Asia in Hong Kong and to increase understanding of Southeast Asia within City University and in the wider Hong Kong community.

RESEARCH GRANTS

SEARC researchers have continued to seek external funds to bolster internal funding and to enhance international collaboration.

Professor Hewison's Competitive Earmarked Research Grant (CERG) project with Dr Chiu (SS) and Dr Taylor (SA) is being implemented. The project, 'Hong Kong Investment and Labour Strategies in Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam' received funding of HK\$711,000.

The collaborative project on labour and migration in Asia with CAPSTRANS (Centre for Asia Pacific Social Transformation Studies, Wollongong University, Australia) was extended in 2004. A special issue of the



SCCI-listed *Journal of Contemporary Asia* was published in 2004, and an edited book was contracted with RoutledgeCurzon. The collaboration was funded by CAPSTRANS, SEARC and an Australian Research Council Linkage – International Award.

The Japan Foundation provided funding for collaboration with Xiamen University. Dr Vivienne Wee received more than HK\$120,000 for the project, 'China and Southeast Asia: New Regional Configurations of Capital, Labour, Ethnicity, and Space." Two major conferences were held in 2004.

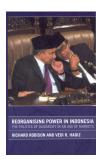
Dr Wee's 2003-04 CERG application, with Professor Hewison, was successful. The 'China and Southeast Asia: project. Challenges, **Opportunities** and the Southeast Re-construction of Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital', received funding of HK\$508,787. The project seeks to examine the nature of interactions between the governments and societies of China and Southeast Asia following sustained economic growth in the post-Cold War era. Change has intensified following the Asian financial crisis, which altered the relative positions of China and Southeast Asia in the global economy.

RESEARCH OUTPUT

The Centre's core academics and research staff continued their productivity in 2004, with a range of high quality publications and participation in important academic conferences. The outputs are detailed in the table (right).

| SEARC Research Outputs 2004 | |
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| Category | Number |
| Edited or co-edited book | 2 |
| Book Chapter | 5 |
| Special issue of SCCI journal (accepted or published) | 4 |
| Special issue of other journals (accepted or published) | 2 |
| Peer-reviewed journal article | 7 |
| Paper to conference, workshop, symposia, etc. | 26 |
| Other academic publication | 10 |
| Working papers | 18 |
| SEARC Seminars held | 17 |
| Symposia, workshops, conferences organised/co-organised | 5 |

The RoutledgeCurzon/City University of Hong Kong Southeast Asia Series, edited by Kevin Hewison and Vivienne Wee, has progressed well. This series enhances the Centre's international reputation as a centre of research excellence. To date, four titles have been



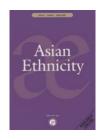
published and two further proposals have been contracted by RoutledgeCurzon for series following external refereeing. The two books published in 2004 were:

- Richard Robison and Vedi Hadiz, Re-organising Oligarchy in Indonesia.
- Garry Rodan, Transparency, Media & Authoritarianism: Singapore and Malaysia.

Two more works are in production, and will be delivered shortly:

- Vivienne Wee (ed.), Political Fragmentation in Southeast Asia.
- Kevin Hewison and Ken Young (eds.), Migration, Work and Human Trafficking in Asia.

In late 2003, Centre core member Dr Xiaowei Zang organised the Conference, 'Ethnicity in Multicultural Asia – Theory and Findings', jointly organised by SEARC, the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and the



Department of Applied Studies. Selected papers from the conference have been accepted for two special issues of the journal, *Asian Ethnicity*, due to be published in 2005.

WORKING PAPERS

The Centre's Working Paper Series has been very successful. By December 2004, 75 papers were available for free download, with more than 7000 page hits in 2004.

SEMINARS

In 2004 the Centre held 17 seminars (for details see http://www.cityu.edu.hk/searc). A number of these were organised in cooperation with departments in City University's Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Each seminar was well-attended, with 10-40 participants.

CONFERENCES

Five international symposia, conferences or workshops were arranged. Each event was successful with 40-100 participants. These events were:

- 24-25 March: Conference on 'China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, opportunities and the reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese ethnic capital I', co-organised by SEARC and the Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, with Japan Foundation support, at City University.
- 19-21 May: Conference on 'Asia Pacific Economies: Multilateral vs Bilateral Relationships', Hong Kong. A conference supported by SEARC.
- 29-30 July: Conference on 'The Post-Cold War International Order and Domestic Conflict in Asia', with the support of the Faculty of Arts and Social Science, National University of Singapore, Asia Research Institute, NUS, Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University and SEARC, at NUS.

- 24-25 September: Conference on 'China and Southeast Asia: Challenge, opportunities and the reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese ethnic capital II', co- organised by SEARC and the Centre for Southeast Asian Studies at Xiamen University, with Japan Foundation support, at Xiamen University.
- 4 October: Workshop on 'Asian Workers in Global Supply Chain', co-organised by SEARC and the Asia Monitor Resource Center, at City University.

PUBLICITY

The Centre has had considerable local, regional and international publicity. Core members and Centre research staff have often been quoted in the press on Southeast Asian affairs and issues. The range of outlets includes: Asian Wall Street Journal, Far Eastern Economic Review, International Herald Tribune, Financial Times. South China Morning Associated Press, Reuters, CNN, BBC, Star TV, and Chinese-language and Southeast Asianlanguage newspapers and magazines.

The Centre maintains a comprehensive website that is regularly updated (http://www.cityu.edu.hk/searc). As part of the website, the Centre has a Working Paper Series, which has been very successful. By 2004, 75 working papers were available for download. By December 2003, there had been 14,500 hits on the Working Papers page. One year later, this had increased to 21,500.

APPLIED WORK

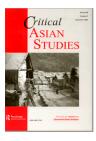
Stephen Frost was involved in projects evaluating NGO labour activities and training in China, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Thailand. Vivienne Wee continued her work on gender training for the Hong Kong Government.

COLLABORATION

The Centre has a number of productive collaborative activities with individual researchers, Centres and other universities. These include: Murdoch University, Griffith University and the University of Wollongong (Australia), the Institute of Social Sciences (Netherlands), Universiti Sains Malaysia and the National University of Singapore, Xiamen University (China) and Chulalongkorn University (Thailand).

Highlights of these collaborations include:

publications resulting from the joint ARC-SEARC conference held in Perth in August 2003 ('Globalisation, Conflict and Political Regimes in East and Southeast Asia'). Professor



Hewison and Professor Garry Rodan prepared selected papers for submission to the SSCI-listed journal *Critical Asian Studies*.

- A number of SEARC researchers visited Xiamen University's Centre for Southeast Asia Studies, and two collaborative conferences were organised. Both events were supported by SEARC, CSEAS and the Japan Foundation.
- Joint international conference with Murdoch University's Asia Research Centre and National University of Singapore's Asia Research Institute and Department of Sociology at NUS.

EVALUATION

The Centre has had a substantial fourth year. Its 2004 achievements are listed throughout this report and summarised in the table on page 2. A benchmarking exercise reported in the 2003 Annual Report indicated that the Centre's research performance is internationally competitive. An external assessment conducted at the

end of 2004 confirmed the Centre's outstanding progress to date. The cumulative outputs of the Centre are indicated in the table below.

| SEARC Research Outputs 2001-04 | |
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| Category | Number |
| Authored or co-authored book | 1 |
| Edited or co-edited book | 5 |
| Book Chapter | 32 |
| Special issue of SCCI journal (accepted or published) | 7 |
| Special issue of other journals (accepted or published) | 2 |
| Peer-reviewed journal article | 27 |
| Paper to conference, workshop, symposia, etc. | 80 |

SEARC was established with a clear research agenda and has now identified and consolidated its core research projects, which will continue until 2007-08. These projects are listed below. Three other planned activities are also set out.

Core research projects

- (i) Labour and Migration; and
- (ii) China and Southeast Asia.

Other research activities

- (i) Religion, ethnicity and conflict; and
- (ii) Environment, education and society.

Other

- (i) Establish a Centre Advisory
 Committee to include local business,
 political and social figures with a
 commitment to Southeast Asia. This
 committee would seek to better
 establish local Hong Kong linkages
 for the Centre and its research;
- (ii) Aim to support and encourage core members to submit a least 2 Southeast Asia-related research proposals for CERG in 2005;
- (iii) Seek to further enhance international and regional research collaborations.

ORGANISATION

Core members

Professor Kevin Hewison (Director, Department of Applied Social Studies, until December 2004)

Professor Ian Holliday (Acting Director, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, from December 2004)

Dr Vivienne Wee (Associate Director, Department of Applied Social Studies)

Professor Joseph Cheng (Department of Public and Social Administration)

Dr Catherine C.H. Chiu (Department of Applied Social Studies)

Dr Graeme Lang (Department of Applied Social Studies)

Dr Kaho Mok (Department of Public and Social Administration)

Professor Martin Painter (Department of Public and Social Administration)

Dr Bill Taylor (Department of Public and Social Administration)

Dr Xiaowei Zang (Department of Applied Social Studies)

Steering Committee

Professor Matthew Chen (Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, until 31 July 2004)

Professor Ian Holliday (Head, Department of Public and Social Administration until 31 July 2004; Dean, Chair of the Committee, from 1 August 2004)

Professor Kevin Hewison (Convenor, Department of Applied Social Studies, until December 2004)

Professor Joseph Cheng (Department of Public and Social Administration, since 1 April 2004) Professor C.C. Lee (Head, Department of English and Communication, since 7 September 2004)

Professor Ng Sik Hung (Head, Department of Applied Social Studies)

Professor Martin Painter (Department of Public and Social Administration, until 31 March 2004)

Dr Vivienne Wee (Department of Applied Social Studies)

International Advisory Committee

Professor Wang Gungwu (Director, East Asia Institute, Singapore)

Professor Richard Higgott (Director, Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation, The University of Warwick)

Professor Pasuk Phongpaichit (Professor of Economics, Chulalongkorn University)

Professor Zhuang Goutu (Director, Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University)

Professor Richard Robison (Professor of Political Economy, The Institute of Social Studies, The Hague)

Professor H.H. Michael Hsiao (Director, Asia- Pacific Research Program, Academia Sinica, Taipei)

Professor Garry Rodan (Director, Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University)

Professor V.T. King (Professor of Southeast Asian Studies, University of Hull)

Research Associates

Dr Raymond K.H. Chan (Department of Applied Social Studies)

Dr Angel Lin (Department of English and Communication, joined in 2004)

Research Affiliates

Dr Mark Beeson (School of Political Science and International Studies, University of Queensland, Australia, joined in 2004)

Dr Andrew Brown (Department of Political and Social Change, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University)

Dr Michael Jacobsen (Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, Denmark, joined in 2004)

Dr Vedi Hadiz (Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore)

Dr Kanishka Jayasuriya (Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University, Australia)

Dr Christopher Skene (Canada; formerly of the University of Hong Kong, joined in 2004 after completing his PhD)

Research Fellows

Dr Stephen Frost, Research Fellow, since September 2002

Dr Lin Chew, Academic Visitor, since January 2004

Ms Suraiya Kamaruzzaman, Academic Visitor, since February 2004

Dr Wang Wangbo (Xiamen University), Academic Visitor, October to December 2004

Research Assistants

Mr Tiong Chong Wong, Part-time Senior Research Assistant, from March to April 2004, and full-time since May 2004

Ms Joanna Tam, Research Assistant since August 2003

Mr Brian Ho, Research Assistant from September 2003 to May 2004

Ms Mary Ho, Research Assistant since June 2004

Ms Cathy Chan, a part-time Research

Assistant from August to December 2004

Clerical Officer

Ms Angel Ho, since February 2002

RESEARCH OUTPUTS (RELATED TO SEARC ACTIVITIES)

EDITED BOOKS AND SPECIAL ISSUES/FEATURES

Kevin Hewison and **Ken Young**, Guest editors, Feature section, *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 34, 3, 2004, pp. 287-376.

Kanishka Jayasuriya, Asian Regional Governance: Crisis and Change, 2004, London: RoutledgeCurzon. (This collection was completed while Dr Jayasuriya was a SEARC Senior Research Fellow. The collection arose from a SEARC symposium).

Kanishka Jayasuriya, Governing the Asia Pacific: Beyond the "New Regionalism", New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2004. (This collection was completed while Dr Jayasuriya was a SEARC Senior Research Fellow. The collection arose from a SEARC symposium).

Garry Rodan and **Kevin Hewison**, Guest editors, 'Markets in Transition: Conflict, Political Regimes, and the "War on Terror" in East and Southeast Asia', Part I, *Critical Asian Studies*, 36, 3, 2004, pp. 383-499.

Garry Rodan and **Kevin Hewison**, Guest editors, 'Markets in Transition: Conflict, Political Regimes, and the "War on Terror" in East and Southeast Asia', Part II, *Critical Asian Studies*, 36, 4, 2004.

CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS

Kanishka Jayasuriya, 'Introduction: the Vicissitudes of Asian Regional Governance', in K. Jayasuriya (ed.), *Asian Regional Governance: Crisis and Change*, London: RoutledgeCurzon, 2004, pp. 1-18.

Kanishka Jayasuriya, 'Embedded Mercantilism and Open Regionalism: the Crisis of Regional Political Project', in K. Jayasuriya (ed.), *Asian Regional Governance: Crisis and Change*, London: RoutledgeCurzon, 2004, pp. 21-38.

Vivienne Wee and **Asma Beatrix**, 'Citizenship: Southeast Asia', in Suad Joseph and Jacqueline Siapno (eds.), *Encyclopaedia of Women and Islamic Cultures*, Leiden: Brill, 2004, pp.5-9.

Vivienne Wee, 'Globalisation after 9/11 and the Iraq: Implications for the Asia-Pacific', in G. Davies and C. Nyland (eds.), *The Impact of Globalisation on the Asia-Pacific Region*, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Press, 2004, pp. 17-37.

Vivienne Wee and **Amy Sim**, 'Transnational Labour Networks in Female Labour Migration: Mediating between Southeast Asian Women Workers and International Labour Markets', in A. Ananta (ed.), *International Migration in Southeast Asia: Challenges and Impacts*, Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2004, pp. 167-199.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Stephen Frost, 'Building Hong Kong: Nepalese Labour in the Construction Sector,' *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 34, 3, 2004, pp. 364-376.

Stephen Frost, 'Chinese Outward Direct Investment in Southeast Asia: How Big Are the Flows and What Does it Mean for the Region?' *Pacific Review*, 17, 3, 2004.

Kevin Hewison, 'Thai Migrants in Hong Kong', *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 34, 3 2004, pp. 318-335.

Michael Jacobsen, 'On Factionalism and Secessionism in North Sulawesi Province, Indonesia', *Asian Journal of Political Science*, 12, 1, 2004, pp. 65-94. (This paper was completed and submitted while Dr Jacobsen was a SEARC Research Fellow)

Kanishka Jayasuriya and **Kevin Hewison**, 'The Antipolitics of Good Governance: From Global Social Policy to a Global Populism?', *Critical Asian Studies*, 36, 4, 2004.

Garry Rodan and **Kevin Hewison**, 'Closing the Circle? Globalization, Conflict, and Political Regimes', *Critical Asian Studies*, 36, 3, 2004, pp. 383-404.

ONLINE AND OTHER JOURNAL ARTICLES

Graeme Lang, 'Deforestation, Floods, and State Reactions in China and Thailand', available online at *Global Development Network* Website: http://www.gdnet.org/cf/search/display.cfm?search=GDNSITE&act=DOC&docnum=DOC14486, March, 2004.

Vivienne Wee, 'A Cultural Economy of Ethnicity and Capital in the Regionalisation of China and Southeast Asia', *NIASnytt: Asia Insights*, No. 3, 2004, pp. 5-7.

PAPERS FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS & SYMPOSIA

Andrew Brown and **Kevin Hewison**, 'Thai Rak Thai, Workers And Politics', Paper presented to the 15th Biennial Conference of the Asian Studies Association of Australia, National Convention Centre, Canberra, 29 June-2 July 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'Mainland Chinese Investment in Southeast Asia and Its Impact on Workers,' a paper presented to the Conference on The Impact of WTO Membership on Chinese Workers and the Response of the International Trade Union Movement, City University of Hong Kong, 29-30 November 2003 (not reported in 2003).

Stephen Frost, 'Mainland FDI in Southeast Asia: Who's investing how much, and what does it mean for ASEAN?', a paper presented to the Conference on China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital I, City University of Hong Kong, 24-25 March 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'Mainland Outward Direct Investment in ASEAN: A New Form of Regional Bilateralism?' a paper presented to the Conference on Asia Pacific Economies: Multilateral vs Bilateral Relationships, City University of Hong Kong, 19-21 May 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'Labour Standards in Asia: Key Dilemmas for Business and Investors,' a paper presented to Enviroseries 2004 Conference, Hong Kong, 7 June 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'The "Big Six" Labour Compliance Issues for Companies Sourcing in Asian Supply Chains,' a paper to the Association of Development Financing Institutions in Asia and the Pacific (ADFIAP) on Socially Responsible Investment for Development Financing

Institutions, 15-18 June 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'Labour Dimensions of Human Rights: Workers' Rights are Human Rights,' A paper presented at a Workshop on Business and Human Rights at the Corporate Environmental Governance Programme, University of Hong Kong, 10 July 2004, Hong Kong.

Stephen Frost, 'Social and Environmental Audits - Real Disclosure vs. Greenwash,' a paper presented at the Association for Sustainable & Responsible Investment in Asia Annual Conference, 15-16 July 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'Understanding the Driving Forces of CSR in Asia Compared to North America and Europe: Similarities and Differences,' a paper presented at the Asian Forum on Corporate Social Responsibility's conference on Driving Forces for CSR - Altruism or Economics? Can CSR be sustained by one without the other?, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2-3 September 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'The Relations between Labour Laws and Customers' Standards,' a paper presented at the Workshop on Labour Standards Advocacy for the Institute of Contemporary Observation, Ningbo, China, 4 June 2004; Jinan, China, 14 September 2004; Kaiping, China, 15 December 2004.

Stephen Frost and **Mary Ho**, 'Mainland Investment on the Move: State-owned Enterprises and Outward Direct Investment in Southeast Asia,' a paper presented at the conference on China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital II, Xiamen, China, 24-25 September.

Stephen Frost, "Here to stay": Corporate Social Responsibility in China and the Ramifications for Southeast Asia,' a paper presented to the conference on Clothing Europe: Comparative Perspectives on Trade Liberalisation and Production Networks in the New European Clothing Industry, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, US, 15-16 October 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'Whose regulations are they anyway? Corporate social responsibility and labour and workplace standards in China,' a paper presented to the Workshop on Regulatory Compliance in China: The Lessons of Regulatory Effectiveness, Georgetown Law Center of Georgetown University, Washington DC, 3-5 November 2004.

Kevin Hewison and **Garry Rodan**, 'Closing The Circle?: Globalization, Conflict And Political Regimes', Paper presented to the Asia Pacific Economies: Multilateral vs Bilateral Relationships Conference, City University of Hong Kong, 19-21 May 2004.

Michael Jacobsen, 'Assessing the Impact of Mainland China On Ethnic Chinese Entrepreneurs in Southeast Asia: Oscillating between Economic Opportunities and Cultural Strategies', a paper presented at Symposium I on China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital, SEARC, City University of Hong Kong and Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, 24-25 March 2004.

Michael Jacobsen, 'Decentred Diaspora or Grounded Cosmopolitanism? On Negotiated Identities and International Linkages in Southeast Asia', a paper presented at Symposium II on China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Oppor-tunities and the Reconstruction of

Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital, SEARC, City University of Hong Kong and Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, 24-25 September 2004.

Garry Rodan and **Kevin Hewison**, 'Neo-Liberal Globalisation, Conflict and Security: New Life for Authoritarianism in Asia?', Paper presented to the International Workshop on The Post-Cold War International Order and Domestic Conflict in Asia, Singapore, 29-30 July 2004, organised by Faculty of Arts and Social Science, National University of Singapore, Asia Research Institute (NUS), Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University and Southeast Asia Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong.

Vivienne Wee and **Amy Sim**, 'Labour Migration by Filipina Domestic Workers to Hong Kong: Conditions, Processes and Implications', a paper presented by the International Workshop on Contemporary Perspectives on Asian Women as Transmigrant Domestic Workers, Asian MetaCentre, National University of Singa-pore, Singapore, 23-25 February 2004.

Vivienne Wee, 'Towards a cultural economy of regionalisation: ethnicity and capital in the changing relations between China and Southeast Asia', a paper presented at China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital I, SEARC, City Uni-versity of Hong Kong and Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, Xiamen, China, 24-25 March 2004.

Vivienne Wee and **Michael Jacobsen**, 'Oscillating between economic opportunities and cultural constrains: Southeast Asian Chinese strategies in relation to China', a paper presented at China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital I, SEARC, City Uni-versity of Hong Kong and Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, Xiamen, China, 24-25 March 2004.

Vivienne Wee, 'Melayu, Indigenism and the "Civilising Process": Claims and Entitlements in Contested Territories', a paper presented at the Symposium on Thinking Malayness, Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, Tokyo University of International, Tokyo, 19-21 June 2004.

Vivienne Wee, 'Corporate Colonies in Nation-states and Transnational Empires: Caltex in Riau and ExxonMobil in Aceh, Indonesia', a paper presented at the Workshop on The Post-Cold War International Order and Domestic Conflict in Asia, Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore, Singapore, 29-30 July 2004.

Vivienne Wee, 'A cultural economy of regionalisation: ethnicity and capital in the changing relations between China and Southeast Asia', a paper presented at China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of South-east Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital II, SEARC, City University of Hong Kong and CSEAS, Xiamen University, Xiamen, China, 24-25 September 2004.

Vivienne Wee, **Michael Jacobsen** and **Tiong Chong Wong**, 'Oscillating between Economic Opportunities and Contextual Constraints: Assessing the Positioning of Southeast Asian Ethnic "Chinese" Entrepreneurs in Relation to China', a paper presented at China and Southeast Asia: Challenges, Opportunities and the Reconstruction of Southeast Asian Chinese Ethnic Capital II, SEARC, City University of Hong Kong and CSEAS, Xiamen University, 24-25 September 2004.

Vivienne Wee, 'Riau As a Securitised Border Zone of Indonesia', a paper presented at the

Research Workshop on Illegal Migration and Non-Traditional Security: Processes of Securitisation and Desecuritisation in Asia, Centre of Asian Studies, The University of Hong Kong and Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies, Nanyang Technological University, in conjunction with the Institute of Asia Pacific Studies, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, 10-11 October 2004.

INVITED LECTURES / PARTICIPANTS

Stephen Frost, 'Labour Law vs. Retailer Codes of Conduct: Reconciling the Compliance Standards', a speech presented to the Cal Safety Compliance Corp-oration (CSCC) conference on Perspectives on Social Compliance and Supply Chain Security in Asia 2004, Hong Kong, 27 July 2004.

Stephen Frost, 'China's Outward Direct Investment in Southeast Asia,' A talk presented to the Hong Kong Forum, 23 September 2004.

Stephen Frost, Invited participant to the Consultation on IFC's Safeguard Policy Update and Disclosure Policy, Manila, 27-29 October 2004.

Kevin Hewison, 'Neo-liberalism and the Crafting of Thailand's New Social Contract', seminar presentation, Carolina Asia Center, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 18 March 2004.

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Stephen Frost, Member, Advisory Board, Asia Monitor Resource Centre, Hong Kong.

Stephen Frost, Member, Steering Committee, Emergence Project, Institute for Employment Studies, University of Sussex, UK.

Kevin Hewison, Research Associate, Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University.

Kevin Hewison, Member, International Advisory Panel, Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University.

Kevin Hewison, Associate Editor, Asian Journal of Social Science.

Kevin Hewison, Member, Editorial Board, The Pacific Review.

Kevin Hewison, Member, Editorial Board, *The Journal of Comparative Asian Development*.

Kevin Hewison, Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Contemporary Asia.

Kevin Hewison, Member, International Advisory Board, *Politics, Administration and Change*.

Kevin Hewison, Member, International Advisory Board, *Labour and Manage-ment in Development*.

Kevin Hewison, Member, Editorial Advisory Board, Policy, Organisation and Society.

Kevin Hewison, Member, Editorial Committee, Asian Studies Association of Aust-ralia

Southeast Asia Publications Series.

Kevin Hewison, Editor, Southeast Asia Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong, *Working Paper Series*.

Kevin Hewison, Member, Editorial Committee, Southeast Asia Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong and Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, Translation Series of Southeast Asian Studies.

Kevin Hewison, Co-Editor, RoutledgeCurzon/City University of Hong Kong Southeast Asia Series, London, Routledge.

Vivienne Wee, Co-Editor, RoutledgeCurzon/City University of Hong Kong Southeast Asia Series, London, UK, Routledge.

Vivienne Wee, Member, Editorial Committee, Southeast Asia Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong and Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Xiamen University, Translation Series of Southeast Asian Studies.

Vivienne Wee, Member of Editorial Board, Marshall Cavendish Press.

Vivienne Wee, Honorary Research Fellow, Hong Kong Institute for Asia-Pacific Studies and Executive Committee Member, the Gender Research Centre, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Vivienne Wee, Member of the Selection Committee, Project on Illegal Migration and Securitisation, Centre of Asian Studies, The University of Hong Kong.

Vivienne Wee, Consultant providing gender training for the Women's Commission, Bureau of Health and Welfare, Government of Hong Kong SAR: Workshop for Gender Focal Points, Women's Commission, Health and Welfare Bureau, HKSAR Government, Hong Kong, PRC, 10-17 February 2004.

Vivienne Wee, Member, Working Group on 'The Body in the Social Sciences' in the International Sociological Association.

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