

**The First SEAMEO SPAFA
International Conference on Southeast Asian Archaeology**

7 – 10 May 2013

Burapha University, Chonburi, Thailand

Consolidating Southeast Asian Archaeology

While Southeast Asian countries have progressively accumulated a wealth of knowledge in archaeology over the past several centuries and research and studies on archaeology and relevant subjects have been conducted, the studies are mostly done separately with little or no collaboration in the region. As a result, the knowledge on the present state of Southeast Asian archaeology is not consolidated and there is a lack of information which results in an incomplete picture of the region's archaeological knowledge. Though there are a number of meetings and conferences on archaeology taking place in and outside Southeast Asia in recent years, few of them have addressed the issue of the current state of archaeology in Southeast Asia which should encompass all relevant subjects. This conference, therefore, will provide a forum for Southeast Asian archaeologists, archaeologists, educators and students of Southeast Asian Archaeology, heritage professionals, art historians and others, to share the results of their studies which will enhance a better understanding of Southeast Asian archaeology and history and promote regional and global collaboration.

Conference Overview

The conference will consist of plenary and parallel sessions taking place for three days covering a broad range of disciplines on archaeology and related subjects including prehistoric archaeology, historic archaeology, underwater archaeology, cultural heritage management, conservation, museology, as well as, issues of current interest such as public archaeology, politics and archaeology, and urban archaeology.

Conference Objectives

- To strengthen knowledge on Southeast Asian archaeology
- To identify issues, needs, and trends regarding the study of Southeast Asian archaeology
- To exchange and disseminate information on Southeast Asian Archaeology
- To publish the proceedings of the conference

Who should attend?

This international conference will engage archaeologists, heritage professionals, museologists, and interested individuals from across the region and beyond to exchange their knowledge and experiences on the current trends and issues on Southeast Asian Archaeology in order to gain updated knowledge on the subject and

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to promote the research and sharing of knowledge. The conference will offer limited scholarships to speakers from the Southeast Asian region to attend the conference.

Date and Venue

07-10 May, 2013 (4 days including a one-day post conference excursion)

The conference will be held at Tao-Thong Hotel Operation Center, located in Burapha University, Tambon Saensuk, Amphoe Muang Chonburi, Chonburi Province, Thailand. For more information, please visit their website:

http://hotel.buu.ac.th/about_en.htm

Delegates arriving by international flights will land at Suvarnabhumi International Airport which is approximately one hour's drive to the conference venue. From the airport to hotel and conference venue, transportation will be provided for all participants.

Call for Papers

The conference organizers are calling for papers relating to Southeast Asian archaeology such as prehistory, history, maritime archaeology, theories and methods, conservation, restoration and cultural heritage management or the following:

- New research on archaeology and its related disciplines in Southeast Asia
- Cross-border archaeological research
- Application of science and technology in archaeological research
- Archaeology in education
- Cultural / Archaeological resources management in Southeast Asia
- Human evolution in Southeast Asia
- Urban archaeology
- Archaeological theory
- Underwater archaeology
- Conservation and restoration of archaeological sites and artifacts
- Policy and law affecting archaeology
- Archaeology in religious sites
- Community archaeology
- Archaeology and contemporary Southeast Asian societies
- Tourism and archaeology
- Bio-archaeology
- Archaeology and trade: the Early Kingdom Period (7th to 10th centuries)
- Other studies on Southeast Asian archaeology

Abstracts of no more than 250 words and full papers should be submitted to SEAMEO SPAFA by **31 December 2012** and this should be accompanied by a short personal biodata of no more than 150 words. The abstracts and speaker information

(biodata) will be used for the conference handbook. **The abstract and paper submission form can be downloaded at www.seameo-spafa.org.**

Please use MS Word (.doc and .docx formats) and APA (American Psychological Association) style for the references and bibliography. Each paper should be 5,000 – 7,000 words in length (not including bibliography) typed with double spacing.

Applicants will be notified by 28 February 2013. The papers will initially be compiled as conference papers to be distributed at the Conference.

Conference Registration Fee

Type of participants	Early Bird (March 15, 2013)	Late Registration (April 19, 2013)
Students	US \$ 80	US \$ 100
*Citizens of SEAMEO Member countries	US \$ 120	US \$ 150
Others	US \$ 150	US \$ 200

The payment covers conference day meals, coffee/tea breaks, publications, transportation between Suvarnabhumi airport and hotel/conference venue , and insurance. The excursion fee on the last day is excluded.

Remark: * SEAMEO Member countries are: Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor Leste, and Vietnam.

Optional Excursion (May 10, 2013)

Trip A: To Chanthaburi- visit the National Maritime Museum, Samed Ngam shipyard, and Old Town Chanthaburi

Trip B: To Prachinburi- visit Muang Sri Mahosot (an archaeological site in Dvaravati period), Prachinburi National Museum, Abhaibhubejhr Thai Traditional Medicine Museum

Cost per head: US \$ 40 covering transportation, entry tickets, lunch and coffee/tea breaks

Accommodation

The conference will be held at the Tao-Thong Hotel where we have initially reserved rooms at preferential rates that include breakfast for the conference registered delegates.

The cost and the number of available rooms are:

Deluxe (Twin) 29 rooms US \$40 per night

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Suite (King) 10 rooms US \$54 per night

As availability is limited at the Tao-Thong Hotel, those requiring a room here must make their hotel payment through SEAMEO SPAFA along with the registration fee. Delegates wishing to stay elsewhere are advised to check with the following hotels:

The Tide Resort (<http://www.thetide-resort.com/room.asp>)

Superior rooms US \$70 per night

Deluxe rooms US \$80 per night

Premier suite rooms US \$240 per night

Nanachart Bangsaen Hotel (<http://www.bangsaenhostel.com/>)

Standard rooms US \$40 per night

Conference participants wishing to reserve a room at these hotels should contact the hotel directly for reservation and payment.

Payment

All payments (as registration fee, excursion fee and Tao-Thong Hotel accommodation) can be made by e-transfer to

Account name: SPAFA Regional Centre

Bank name: Kasikornbank Public Company Limited, Bangkok, Thailand

Bank Address: 158 Krung Kasem Road, Bangkok 10200 Thailand

Bank Branch: Theves

Account Number: 030-2-36891-0

SWIFT Code: KASITHBK

After payment please send an e-mail with all details to wilin@seameo-spafa.org and supa@seameo-spafa.org.

Important dates

Submission of abstract and full paper	Dec 31, 2012
Notification of acceptance of paper	Feb 28, 2013

Registration and all payments

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For more information please contact: conference@seameo-spafa.org