Conferences, Workshops and Seminars

I  Symposium on ASEAN-China Economic Relations: Industrial Restructuring China and ASEAN

The Institute of World Economics and Politics (IWEP), Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing and the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), Singapore jointly organized the Symposium from 28–30 April 1992 in Beijing, China. The programme was as follows:

28 April, 1992
Opening Session
Welcome and Opening Remarks
Director, IWEP
Director, ISEAS

Session I  Industrial Restructuring and Foreign Economic Relations
Chairman
Prof. Pu Shan

China's Comparative Advantage in a Changing Pacific Division of Labour
Presenters
Zhang Tiegang and Feng Yushu
Discussant
Dr Narongchai Akarasanee

ASEAN's Comparative Advantage in a Changing Pacific Division of Labour
Presenter
Mohamed Ariff
Discussant
Feng Yushu

Session II
Chairman
Prof. K.S. Sandhu

Industrial Restructuring and the Role of Foreign Investment in China
Presenter
Tan Shizhong and Zhou Shengkui
Discussant
Dr Mari Pangestu

Industrial Restructuring and the Role of Foreign Investment in ASEAN
Presenter
Wisarn Pupphavesa
Nattaphong Thongpakde
Discussant
Prof. Gu Yuan Yang

29 April 1992
Session III  Industrial Restructuring Strategies
Chairman
Prof. Luo Zhaohong

Industrial Restructuring and Development of Small and Township Enterprises in China
Presenter
Wang Hatjun
Discussant
Dr Maximus Ongkili

Industrial Restructuring and the Role of Small and Medium Scale Enterprises
Presenter
Thee Kian Wie
II. International Symposium on Regional Co-operation and Growth Triangles in ASEAN

This Symposium, held in Singapore from 23–24 April 1992, was organized jointly by the Centre for Business Research and Development, Faculty of Business Administration and Centre for Advanced Studies, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore. The Symposium was organized as follows:

23 April 1992

Welcoming addresses by
Assoc. Prof. Wee Chow Hou
Dean, Faculty of Business Administration

and
Assoc. Prof. Ernest Chew
Dean
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Keynote address by Mr Lim Boon Heng
Senior Minister of State
Ministry of Trade & Industry, Singapore

Session 1 Regional Co-operation and Growth Triangles: A Conceptual Framework and Survey
Chairman
Dr Lee Lai To
Dept of Political Science
National University of Singapore

Paper 1
Dr N. Ganesan
Dept of Political Science, NUS and
Singapore Institute of International Affairs
Discussant
Mr Daljit Singh
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies
Singapore

Paper 2
Dr Lee Yuan
Institute of Policy Studies
Singapore
Discussant
Prof. Paul Davidson, Canada

Session 2 Economic Co-operation in the Northern Triangle
Chairman
Prof. Lim Chong Yah
Dept of Economics & Statistics
National University of Singapore

Paper 3
Dr Ismail Salleh
Institute of Strategic and International Studies
Malaysia
Discussant
Assoc. Prof. Mukul Asher
National University of Singapore
Paper 4  
Dr Wilaiporn Liwgsemsan  
National Economic & Social Development Board  
Thailand  
Discussant  
Dr Lian Kwen Fee  
National University of Singapore

Session 4  
External Perspectives  
Chairman  
Dr Tan Kong Yam  
Faculty of Business Administration, NUS

Paper 5  
Dr Hariri Hady  
University Indonesia and BAPPENAS  
Indonesia  
Discussant  
Prof. Carolina G. Hernandez  
Dept of Political Science  
University of Philippines

Paper 9  
Mr Clifford Tan  
School of Economics, Hong Kong University  
Discussant  
Prof. John Wong  
Institute of East Asian Philosophies

Paper 10  
Prof. Keiji Omura  
Institute of Developing Economies, Japan  
Discussion  
Dr Wilaiporn Liwgsemsan  
National Economic & Social Development Board, Thailand

Paper 11  
Prof. Paul Davidson, Canada  
Discussant  
Dr Hariri Hady  
University of Indonesia and BAPPENAS

Summary and Conclusions  
Drs Toh Mun Heng and Linda Low  
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, NUS

III  
Seminar on Energy Options and Usage for Development

This Seminar, organized by the Singapore National Committee World Energy Council, was held on 20 March in Singapore. The seminar was organized as follows:

Welcome Address by Dr Philip Chin  
Chairman, SNCWEC

Morning Session  
Chairman  
Prof. Teo Cheng Yu  
Nanyang Technological University
Paper Presentation

Energy Conservation in Singapore
Mr Abdul Rashid bin Ibrahim
Head of Energy Conservation Division
Public Utilities Board

Energy Management in Buildings
Mr Chue Fook Chee
formerly Executive Engineer
Public Works Department

Energy Management in Lighting
Mr K. Seshadri
General Manager
Lighting Division of Philips Singapore

Efficient Energy Utilization in Pump Control
Mr D.V. Battul
Lecturer
Singapore Polytechnic

Review of Concepts for Power Application in Energy Management System
Dr Gooi Hoay Beng
Senior Lecturer
Nanyang Technological University

Afternoon Session
Chairperson
Dr Tjong Kiun Jin
Public Utilities Board

Paper Presentation
Energy from Biomass
Prof. M.A. Aziz
Associate Professor in Environmental Engineering
National University of Singapore

Power Generation From Refuse Incineration
Mr Poh Soon Hoong
Manager
Tuas Incineration Plant

Energy Sources for Electricity Generation: An Overview
Mr Soo Hon Choong
Section Head, Electrical Power Section
Singapore Polytechnic

Determination of Investment for Electricity Supply in New Industrial Development
Prof. Teo Cheng Yu
Head of Division of Electrical Engineering
NTU

Energy Economy and Environment in Singapore
Dr Shankar Sharma
Fellow
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

IV Seminar on Changing Business Competitiveness: Human Resource Implications

This Seminar, jointly organized by Singapore Institute of Personnel Management and Singapore National Committee for Pacific Economic Co-operation, was held in Singapore from 13–14 January 1992. The Seminar, which assessed the latest trends and threats to business competitiveness especially with respect to human resource management, was structured as follows:

13 January 1992

Welcoming Address by Mr Edward Tan
President
Singapore Institute of Personnel Management

Opening Address by Mr Lim Boon Heng
Senior Minister of State
Ministry of Trade & Industry

Mr Koh Boon Hwee
Chairman
Singapore Telecoms
Topic: “Globalisation”
Mr David V. Smith  
President  
Tech Semiconductor Singapore Pte Ltd  
Topic: “Total Quality Management”

Mr Koh Juan Kiat  
Executive Director  
National Productivity Board  

Ms Evelyn Wong  
Director  
Singapore Institute of Labour studies  
Topic: “Challenge and Opportunities for Labour Management Relations”

14 January 1992

Mr Lai Seck Khui  
Deputy Secretary  
Ministry of Trade & Industry and  
Member of MTI Economic Panel  
Topic: “Planning Methods for Human Resources Development in Singapore”

Mr Liew Meow Koon  
Honorary Secretary  
Singapore Institute of Personnel Management  
Topics: “SIPM’s Plans to Lead The Profession into The Next Decade”

V Workshop on Labour Market Data and Projection Methodologies

This workshop is part of the activities of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Human Resource Development (HRD) Working Group. It was organized by the Department of Employment, Education and Training, Australia, in conjunction with the Singapore National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation (SINCPEC). The programme of the workshop, which was held from 11–12 June 1992, was as follows:

11 June 1992

Opening Remarks

Session I  Measuring Labour Demand

Chair  
Dr Linda Low  
Hon Secretary & Coordinator, SINCPEC  
Senior Lecturer  
Dept of Business Policy, NUS  
Singapore

Issues to be addressed in Session I:
- definitions, methods and procedures for measuring aggregate employment
- sectoral and occupational disaggregation
- inputting informal sector activities to sectors
- measuring labour productivity
- methodologies for forecasting employment growth in aggregate and by sectors
- issues in aggregating country statistics
- unit labour costs and wage adjustments

Australia’s Workforce in the Year 2001
Mr Tom Karmel  
Assistant Secretary  
Economic Analysis Branch  
Dept of Employment, Education and Training  
Australia

Manpower Projection for Educational Planning — Hong Kong’s Experience
Mr Tso Ka-Ho, Paul  
Senior Statistician  
Education and Manpower Branch  
Government Secretariat  
Hong Kong

Methodologies for Employment Planning
Mr Chirapun Gullaprawit  
Policy Analyst  
National Economic & Social Development Branch  
Thailand

Projecting Employment in OECD Countries: Some Issues
Mr Abrar Hasan  
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development  
Paris
Session II  Measuring Labour Supply and Unemployment

Chair
Mr Abrar Hasan
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
Paris

Issues to be addressed in Session II:
• population estimates and projections by age and sex
• definitions of the scope of the labour force
• estimating labour force participation rates
• accounting for labour immigration/emigration and workers overseas
• measuring hidden unemployment and underemployment
• estimating the supply of skills
• measuring educational attainment, education and training performance indicators and measures of the quality of education
• educational planning and labour supply

Immigration and Unemployment
Dr K.E. Arnold de Silva
Senior Economist
Asia-Pacific Group
Economic Council of Canada
Canada

Projections of the Japanese Labour Force
Mr Nobuhiro Uehara
Director
Industry and Labour Research Division
Ministry of Labour
Japan

Manpower Projection Methodology in Singapore
Dr Toh Mun Heng
Senior Lecturer
Dept of Business Policy
National University of Singapore
Singapore

12 June 1992

Educational Attainment and other Indicators:
Measurement, Meaning and Limitations
Mr Robert Fay
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
Paris

Session III  Regional Labour Markets and Statistical Information Systems

Chair
Mr Paul Brown
Senior Manager
Department of Statistics
Wellington

Issues to be addressed in Session III:
• measuring regional labour markets
• constructing regional unemployment rates
• collecting labour market data

Estimation of Unemployment for Small Areas
Mr Tom Karmel
Assistant Secretary
Economic Analysis Branch
Dept of Employment, Education and Training
Australia

Labour and Employment Integrated Statistical Information System
Ms Sonia Castro
Director
Bureau of Labour and Employment Statistics
Philippines

Summary Session — Panel