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# 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 Akrasanee

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 Haijun

Discussant

Dr Maximus Ongkili

Industrial Restructuring and the Role of Small and

Medium Scale Enterprises

Presenter

Thee Kian Wie

Discussant

Dr Wang Haijun

Session IV

Chairman

Dr Narongchai Akrasanee

Industrial Restructuring and Role of Selected

Sectors and Regions

Presenters

Luo Zhaohong and Lin Shuiyuan

Discussant

Dr Florian Alburo

Industrial Restructuring and Role of Selected

Services

Presenters

Lee Tsao Yuan and Daniel Lian

Discussant

Prof. Luo Zhaohong

Closing Session

Co-Chairmen Prof. K.S. Sandhu and

Prof. Li Cong

30 April 1992

**Industrial Tour** 

Site Visits

## 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

Paper 5

Dr Hariri Hady

University Indonesia and BAPPENAS

Indonesia

Discussant

Prof. Carolina G. Hernandez

Dept of Political Science

University of Philippines

24 April 1992

Session 3 Economic Co-operation in

Southern Triangle

Chairman

Dr Joseph Tan

Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

Paper 6

Mr Mubarig Ahmad

Centre for Policy and Implementation Studies

Indonesia

Discussant

Mr Sree Kumar

Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

Paper 7

Dr Wong Poh Kam

National University of Singapore

Discussant

Dr Kenneth James

**Business Times** 

Paper 8

Dr Abdullah Mohd Tahir

**Economic Planning Unit** 

Malaysia

Session 4 External Perspectives

Chairman

Dr Tan Kong Yam

Faculty of Business Administration, NUS

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 Cooperation, 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

Topic: "Issues and Problems of Human Resource Development in Singapore"

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 Hu

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