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10 Years Of ASEF: Voices from Asia & Europe.

THE ASIA-EUROPE FOUNDATION AND THE ASIA-EUROPE MEETING



The Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) advances mutual understanding and collaboration between the people of Asia and Europe through intellectual,

cultural, and people-to-people exchanges. These exchanges include conferences, lecture tours, workshops, seminars and the use of web-based platforms. The major achievement of ASEF is the establishment of permanent bi-regional networks focused on areas and issues that help to strengthen Asia-Europe relations.

Established in February 1997 by the partners of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM), ASEF reports to a board of governors representing the ASEM partners. ASEF is the only permanent physical institution of the ASEM process. Since 1997, the Foundation has initiated projects engaging some 14,000 individuals from Asia and Europe. ASEF works in partnership with other public institutions and civil society actors to ensure its work is broad-based and balanced among the partner countries.

www.asef.org



Asia-Europe Meeting

The Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) was initiated in 1996 when the ASEM leaders met in Bangkok, Thailand. ASEM is an informal trans-

regional platform for dialogue and co-operation between the two regions and has arisen out of a mutual recognition that the relationship between Asia and Europe needed to be strengthened in light of the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century.

The ASEM process is based on an equal partnership and its activities are grouped into three pillars: political, economic and socio-cultural. It brings together Austria, Belgium, Brunei, Bulgaria, Cambodia, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Korea, Laos, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mongolia, Myanmar, the Netherlands, Pakistan, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia,

Spain, Sweden, Thailand, United Kingdom, Vietnam, the European Commission and the ASEAN Secretariat.

ASEM holds a Summit every two years, alternately in Asia and in Europe. This is the highest level of decision-making in the process. Besides the attendance of the Head of States, the Summit also features accompanying Ministers, the Head of the European Commission and other stakeholders. Apart from the Summit meetings, the ASEM process is carried forward through a series of Ministerial and working-level meetings, as well as a number of activities arising from it.

www.aseminfoboard.org



EMBRACING DIVERSITY BRIDGING PEOPLES SHAPING PARTNERSHIPS

COVER DESIGN CONCEPT // The cover design features a graphic interpretation of ASEF's mission based on its slogan: Embracing Diversity, Bridging Peoples, Shaping Partnerships. The four coloured squares, representing ASEF's four core departments, are put together to form intuitive shapes that signify the three messages.

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THIS REPORT WHICH COVERS CALENDAR YEAR 2007, ENCOMPASSES AN IMPORTANT JUNCTURE IN ASEF'S HISTORY AS IT CELEBRATED ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY DURING THE YEAR.

I recall that ASEF's first project, the 1st Asia-Europe Young Leaders Symposium held in Japan on 10 – 14 March 1997, brought together 106 young leaders from all 26 ASEM partners at that time. This successful meeting put ASEF on a firm foundation.

Ten years later, ASEF can look back with pride and satisfaction at its achievements in bringing Asia and Europe closer together. Over the years, ASEF has grown to become a capable and respected organisation in the international arena. Since its inception, ASEF has accomplished well over 350 projects engaging 14,000 individuals from Asia and Europe. ASEF's activities are built on the priorities set by the ASEM process. As an interface between diverse civil society groups and the official ASEM process, ASEF has built up dynamic and permanent bi-regional networks that concretise the Asia-Europe relationship. These broadly include cultural, academic, policy oriented and media networks. These networks are playing an increasingly visible role in complementing ASEM's efforts to broaden and deepen Asia-Europe relations.

The range of projects ASEF accomplished in 2007 is illustrative of its growing relevance in a dynamic global environment. ASEF has rightly dealt with issues close to the international and ASEM agenda. It has done so in a unique way that brings the civil society perspective to policy makers. ASEF's usefulness in this regard has been recognized by various ASEM fora including the 8th ASEM Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Hamburg (Germany) in May 2007, where the Ministers acknowledged in their declaration "the valuable role played by ASEF in promoting dialogue on main issues such as human rights, interfaith, youth-exchange, art, culture, and media co-operation". Twenty signature projects to commemorate our 10th anniversary were successfully completed in various countries

in Asia and Europe, covering these important issues as well as education and academic co-operation, international relations, and environment and sustainable development.

An often under-appreciated accomplishment of ASEF over the past decade has been its significant role in directly supporting ASEM's activities. ASEF organises several "ASEM-label" projects in the fields of youth, young parliamentarians and human rights. ASEF also organises journalists' and other projects in conjunction with major ASEM meetings. In addition, ASEF has managed the ASEM InfoBoard, the official ASEM website, since 2005. This website has enjoyed impressive growth in the number of visitors. In 2007, the InfoBoard attracted 38,000 visitors, an increase of 40% over 2006. All of these activities have significantly and tangibly benefitted the ASEM process by providing visibility to its important work.

We should remember that, amidst all these achievements, ASEF remains a small organisation that has been particularly cost-effective in its operations. ASEF has managed its growing agenda through, for example, effective collaboration with ASEM partners as well as other organisations. Nevertheless, ASEF's modest resources have been stretched by various factors including the enlargement of ASEM's membership in the recent years. In this respect, a very important development during the year was the endorsement by ASEM Senior Officials, of the ASEF Board of Governors' decision to approve a 13 % increase in ASEF's budget for 2008. This was a strong signal of confidence, coming on the back of the decision by the 6th ASEM Leaders' Summit in Helsinki (Finland) in September 2006 to endorse a more stable and predictable funding mechanism for ASEF.

It is important for ASEF to look ahead and consider how it is to position itself in its second decade, while sticking to its basic strengths. A good start has been made in 2007 as ASEF has prioritized its work under 8 focused themes close to the ASEM agenda. ASEF can further examine possible synergies embedded under this umbrella. For example, can the perspectives of the various constituencies ASEF engages under each theme be integrated to achieve more multi-faceted outcomes and solutions?

Finally, I would like to warmly commend the efforts put by the very dedicated staff of ASEF, in carrying out the vision set for it by the ASEM partners. Their hard work is, I believe, bearing fruit as ASEF's work gains increasing recognition. Much, of course, remains to be done. However, ASEF can enter in its second decade with a sense of confidence about its central place in promoting Asia-Europe relations.

AMBASSADOR PROF. TAKAYUKI KIMURA
Chair of the Board of Governors for 2008

ASEF IS GOVERNED BY A BOARD OF GOVERNORS, APPOINTED BY THE RESPECTIVE ASEM PARTNERS.

Governors are nominated for a renewable period of three years. The Board meets thrice in a two-year cycle and sets out policy directions of ASEF.



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THE YEAR 2007 MARKED ASEF'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY. THE YEAR WAS DRIVEN BY THE SLOGAN "EMBRACING DIVERSITY, BRIDGING PEOPLES, SHAPING PARTNERSHIPS", CAPTURING THE ESSENCE OF ASEF.

Fittingly, the 10th anniversary was celebrated at ASEF's premises on 13 April 2007 in the presence of many dignitaries including guests of honour Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore Professor S Jayakumar and Minister van Staat of the Netherlands Mr Van Mierlo, who as Foreign Ministers had presided over the founding of ASEF.

Twenty key signature projects were conducted during the year in various countries across Asia and Europe to commemorate ASEF's 10th anniversary. Some of these were conducted on the sidelines of key ASEM meetings, thus providing more visibility to the ASEM process: the Asia-Europe Environment Forum Public Panel Discussion on Climate Change in conjunction with the 3rd ASEM Environment Ministers' Meeting (Denmark); the 4th Asia-Europe Journalists' Seminar in conjunction with the 8th ASEM Foreign Ministers' Meeting (Germany); and the 5th ASEF Journalists' Colloquium in conjunction with the 3rd ASEM Interfaith Dialogue (China)

Other representative examples of signature projects conducted during 2007 include the 6th Asia-Europe Young Parliamentarians' Meeting (the Netherlands); the 5th Asia-Europe Art Camp: New Media and Performance (UK); the Asia-Europe Museum Network (ASEMUS) General Assembly (Korea); the 5th Asia Europe Environment Roundtable on Sustainable Urbanisation (China); and the Conference on "Ancient Civilisations, New Beginnings: A Dialogue of Change" (France). In the field of education, ASEF (in partnership with several institutions) launched the Database on Educational Exchange Programmes or DEEP. DEEP is a comprehensive on-line portal aimed at enhancing cooperation among some 5,000 universities in Asia and Europe.

2007 capped a very successful decade for the Foundation. ASEF's greatest achievements have over the years been in the creation of sustainable bi-regional networks and partnerships with civil society organisations in Asia and Europe. Over the longer-term, these activities have nurtured the formation of diverse bi-regional networks and

platforms which have brought the peoples of the two regions closer together. ASEF concluded some 35 projects in 2007 alone.

The financial stabilisation process ASEF embarked upon in 2005 has started to bear fruit. ASEF worked closely with all ASEM partners towards the smooth implementation of the formula adopted by ASEM Leaders at their 6th Summit in Helsinki (Finland) in 2006, ensuring the long-term financial sustainability of ASEF. I am pleased that following this, there has been a moderate increase in ASEF's budget for 2008. This gives ASEF a more solid platform upon which to improve the quality and scope of its projects. At the same time, it gives ASEF resources to deal with increased costs of operation and in particular to consider important issues such as staff remuneration in an environment of rising wages. Nevertheless, ASEF will move ahead with prudence in order to remain cost-effective and financially sustainable.

During the 20th Board of Governors Meeting in Warsaw, Governor Takayuki Kimura (Japan) and Governor Boguslaw Majewski (Poland) were elected Chair and Vice-Chair respectively of the Governing Board. During 2007, ASEF's Board of Governors welcomed Mr Borislav Kostov of Bulgaria, Ambassador Lu Yongshou of the People's Republic of China, High Commissioner Dr S Jaishankar of India, Dr Piero Gastaldo of Italy, Ambassador Dr Einars Semanis of Latvia, Ambassador Dainius Petras Kamaitis of Lithuania, Mr Noor Muhammad Jadmani of Pakistan, Mr Milan Zachar of Slovakia, Mr Jesus Sanz Escorihuela of Spain, Ambassador Olof Ehrenkrona of Sweden, Mr Luong Quoc Huy of Vietnam and Mr Dhannan Sunoto of ASEAN Secretariat. ASEF also welcomed Mr Anthony Verghese (Singapore), Director of Finance and Administration and Mr Sudesh Maniar (Singapore), Director of Public Affairs.

ASEF has a full calendar for 2008. Among 40 projects, the highlight would be the ASEM Summit in Beijing (China) in October. ASEF plans to do a full complement of activities to support the Summit. These include:

- a set of artistic collaborations in the field of photography and new media between Asian and European ASEF alumni/artists around a specific topic e.g. "climate change"
- a model Asia-Europe Meeting (Model ASEM) bringing together university students acting as Heads of State and Government and Ministerial Leaders in a simulation of an ASEM Summit
- a "Connecting Civil Societies III" project on "Economy and Society" bringing together participants from government and broad civil society, active in the ASEM process.
- an Asia-Europe Editors' Roundtable bringing editors and senior journalists to Beijing on the occasion of Summit to report on ASEM, ASEF, and issues of pertinence to both regions.

Looking ahead to the next decade, ASEF will continue to be nimble as it confronts a dynamic external environment. Above all, ASEF will have to rely on its time-proven strength of being able to facilitate inter-regional dialogue amongst diverse groups, even on some sensitive issues. While ASEF has achieved significant success in its first decade, it will have to work even harder to build on this given rising expectations. I remain confident that ASEF's relevance will only grow in the years ahead in a world whose increasing complexities require multi-faceted, multi-stakeholder solutions.

I would end this message by thanking our stakeholders – the ASEM governments, Governors, partners and alumni – for their continued support of ASEF. Above all, ASEF's staff deserve the highest praise for their energy, commitment and talent. I believe that with the firm foundations being laid, ASEF will scale new heights in its second decade.

AMBASSADOR WONIL CHO
ASEF Executive Director

THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, REPRESENTED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND HIS DEPUTY, TAKES MANAGEMENT DECISIONS BASED ON THE DIRECTIONS AND POLICY GUIDELINES SET OUT BY THE ASEM GOVERNMENTS AND THE ASEF BOARD OF GOVERNORS



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CULTURAL EXCHANGE (CE) PROVIDES YOUNG ARTISTS AND CULTURAL PROFESSIONALS WITH A UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT FOR DIALOGUE



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The Cultural Exchange department seeks to provide young artists and cultural professionals with a unique environment for dialogue that can evolve into positive artistic interventions, dynamic cultural networks and cultural policy development in and between Asia and Europe.

CE's areas of co-operation are:

YOUNG ARTISTS' EXCHANGE

Facilitating Asia-Europe encounters among young artists to exchange ideas, information, contacts and best practices through face-to-face contact and nurturing artistic creativity through collaborative work in various fields of the arts leading to future artistic co-operation and possible career opportunities.

- **Future Image:** Asia-Europe Forum for photographers, photography editors and managers
- The **Asia-Europe Art Camp** (Art and New Media) for students and young artists in visual arts
- **Pointe to Point**, Asia-Europe Dance Forum for choreographers and dancers
- **I'mPULSE**, Asia-Europe Music Camp platform for young musicians
- **Asia-Europe Comics Project** for creators, artists, writers and commentators engaged in comics
- **Asia-Europe Film Meeting** for young film professionals

PROCESS ORIENTED PLATFORMS FOR EXCHANGE

Initiating and promoting cultural networks for the development of sustainable links and innovative co-operation projects through physical meetings and online platforms in different areas.

- **Asia-Europe Museum Network (ASEMUS):** promotes shared cultural heritage through sharing of museum collections, professional competence and creating joint off and online projects. (www.asemus.org)
- **SEA-Images** (Synergy Europe-Asia in the field of cinema): gives monthly updates on film events, projects and articles related to Asian and European cinema. (<http://sea-images.asef.org>)
- **Artists' Networks and Autonomous Cultural Centres** aims at encouraging discussions on issues such as cultural management strategies, contemporary artistic practices and contributes to the promotion of artist' mobility, exchange of cultural professionals and exposure for cultural practitioners and curators.
- **www.culture-asef.org** was created in co-operation with Universes-in-Universe, Worlds of Art, and is dedicated to Asia-Europe Cultural Exchange in the visual arts field. It features information and contacts of institutions, organisations, festivals, studies, exchange programmes, exhibitions and private initiatives of artists in the ASEM countries.
- **Culture 360**, an Asia-Europe Cultural Portal, initiated by ASEM and facilitated by ASEF is a unique web-portal to connect cultural practitioners of the two regions, facilitate bi-regional co-operation in the arts as well

as promote the practical exchange of ideas, information and persons in the ASEM countries. (www.culture360.org)

• **Connect2Culture** is a programme for reinforcing connections between (alumni) artists through online and offline interdisciplinary collaborative projects designed to address pertinent themes in the arts and in society.

DIALOGUE ON POLICY AND CULTURE

Acting as an interface between cultural policy makers and artists/cultural professionals; advocating policies favorable to creativity, artistic innovation and cultural diversity at the appropriate ASEM level. This exchange happens through facilitated dialogue on relevant topics in conference settings.



INTELLECTUAL EXCHANGE (IE) CONTRIBUTES TO POLICY DEBATES IN THE ASEM FRAMEWORK



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The Intellectual Exchange department contributes to policy debates in the ASEM framework by providing a common platform for civil society actors and officials from government and multilateral institutions through a variety of formats (conferences, roundtables, public panels, lecture tours, retreat-style workshops), depending on the nature of the policy issue.

Participants of IE projects are drawn from the academe, the media, governments, private institutions, research centres, think-tanks, non-government organisations (NGOs), trade unions, foundations, Asian “cultural houses” in Europe and European “cultural houses” in Asia, with the strategic aim of reinforcing specialised networks throughout Asia and Europe and creating new ones.

IE's areas of coverage are:

GOVERNANCE

Reinforcing the role of civil society in good governance with Asia-Europe exchanges that benefit the peoples of both regions.

- The **Informal ASEM Seminar on Human Rights** engenders groundbreaking government-civil society dialogue on various dimensions of human rights, bringing together government officials and civil society participants of the 45 ASEM partners.
- The **Democratisation and Justice Series** is a platform to explore differences, similarities and challenges of democratisation processes, particularly in countries undergoing political transition in Asia and Europe.

ACADEMIC CO-OPERATION

Promoting cross-regional partnership in Asian and European studies.

- The **Asia-Europe Workshop Series (AEWS)** supports academic institutions in the organisation of workshops on themes of common interest to Asia and Europe. (www.aews.asef.org)
- The **European Studies in Asia (ESiA)** network was launched to stimulate European studies in the Asian region by creating synergies between European studies centres in both Asia and Europe as well as strengthening interaction between existing networks in Asia. (www.esia.asef.org)

DIALOGUE OF CULTURES AND CIVILISATIONS

Forum to facilitate mutual understanding and dialogue on fundamental issues related to cultural, religious or ethnic relations. (www.civdialogue.asef.org)

- The **“Talks on the Hill”** bring together small groups of high-level personalities from the two regions in think-tank style closed-door meetings on sensitive but compelling issues.
- The **Conference Series** brings together academics and professionals in an open public meeting to transform the fruit of dialogue into action.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Debate and discourse on issues concomitant to regional integration.

- The **Asia-Europe Roundtable (AER)** promotes discourse on conflict management and peace-building in ASEM countries, with a special focus on the role of Civil Society and regional-level action.
- The **Regional Integration Series** analyses issues related to the ASEM process, enlargement and reform of regional institutions, security and “soft security” co-operation, and economic integration.

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Providing a unique platform for policy discourse on environment and sustainable development in Asia and Europe. (www.env.asef.org)

- **Asia-Europe Environment Forum (ENVforum) Roundtables and Conferences**
The roundtables centre on key environmental and sustainable development themes, generating policy recommendations for today based on scenarios of the future.
- **Asia-Europe Environment Forum (ENVforum) Track II Series**
Discussion panels are organised to provide an informal conduit for discussion alongside international meetings and negotiations.

Each of the IE areas of work mentioned above includes **Asia-Europe Lecture Tours** that bring opinion leaders from one region to the other region to speak on timely and relevant topics.



PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE EXCHANGE (P2P) PROMOTES GREATER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS IN ASIA AND EUROPE



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The People-to-People Exchange department promotes greater mutual understanding among the next generation of leaders in Asia and Europe and conducts activities that build strong partnerships and support greater mobility for the youth of Asia and Europe.

Projects enable academics, researchers, teachers and students as well as young volunteers, activists, trainers and leaders to gain an acute awareness and intercultural appreciation of the other region, and to work together for a common future based on cross-cultural ties. The results are networks for education and youth co-operation that are sustainable and dynamic.

P2P's main areas of action are:

EDUCATION CO-OPERATION

Reinforcing partnerships and fostering exchanges in the field of education.

- The **ASEF University Programme (AU)**, ASEF's flagship summer school, aims to promote academic discourse and intercultural exchanges among outstanding university students from Asia and Europe.
- The **Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET)** constitutes ASEF's main platform to forge contacts among secondary and high school teachers and students in Asia and Europe. (www.aec.asef.org)
- The **ASEM Education Hub (AEH)** works as a bi-regional and multi-dimensional framework to support higher education initiatives and facilitate dialogue among institutions of higher learning and other stakeholders in education.
 - Asia-Europe Colloquy on University Co-operation Series
 - Database on Education Exchange Programmes (DEEP): <http://deep.asef.org>
 - Asia-Europe Thematic Networks
 - Advisory Committee

YOUTH CO-OPERATION

Strengthening and sustaining contacts, dialogue and co-operation among Youth and youth organisations in ASEM countries.

- **ASEM Youth Dialogues on Cultures and Civilisations:** Activities under this umbrella serve the need to promote "unity in diversity" based on intercultural understanding through dialogue that overcomes and prevents preconceived opinions, stereotypes, and prejudices among present and future ASEM generations.
 - ASEM Youth Dialogues (AYD)
 - Asia-Europe Partnership in the field of Youth Trainings
- The **ASEF Youth Partnerships** is a fund available to youth organisations in ASEM countries to promote partnerships and encourage initiatives to strengthen relations between Asian and European Youth.

- The **Asia-Europe Young Leaders Symposia (AEYLS)** provide opportunities for closer and more regular contacts and dialogue among the next generation of leaders on a wide range of issues that affect political, social and economic developments in the ASEM countries.
 - Asia-Europe Young Political Leaders Symposia (AEYPLS)
 - Asia-Europe Young Parliamentarians Meetings (AEYPM)
- **Asia-Europe Youth Co-operation in Voluntary Service (VolunAET)**



PUBLIC AFFAIRS (PA) MULTIPLIES KNOWLEDGE ABOUT ASIA-EUROPE CO-OPERATION



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The Public Affairs department multiplies knowledge about Asia-Europe co-operation by furthering awareness and understanding about ASEF, ASEM and key issues in Asia-Europe relations.

Aimed at a diverse range of constituencies including the media and the general public, PA's activities foster greater mutual understanding between Asia and Europe.

PA's core areas of action are:

MEDIA ACTIVITIES

Promoting Asia-Europe networks and co-operation among mass media, and communicating initiatives by ASEF and ASEM, through:

- Programmes dedicated to media practitioners, aimed at developing the information flow and exchange of perspectives on key issues between policy-makers and journalists. These series of programmes include:
 - the Asia-Europe Editors' Roundtable
 - the Asia-Europe Journalists' Seminar
 - the ASEF Journalists' Colloquium

Organised alongside major ASEM meetings, they also contribute in enhancing the visibility of the ASEM process.

- Communication strategies for ASEF projects and events including the development of various types of media co-operation and the selection of international journalists to participate in and cover ASEF projects.

MANAGEMENT AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

Enhancing awareness about Asia-Europe relations by facilitating access to information, through:

- The Asia Europe Journal which is devoted to interdisciplinary research on Asia and Europe in the social sciences and humanities.

- The ASEM InfoBoard, the official one-stop online platform for the ASEM process and other matters on Asia-Europe relations. (www.aseminfoboard.org)
- Public outreach through various events such as public lectures on pertinent topics on Asia-Europe relations by eminent speakers.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Promoting ASEF and developing a coherent external image through:

- Official events to present ASEF activities to external parties as well as co-ordination of official visits by dignitaries from the ASEM partners.
- The ASEF corporate website (www.asef.org): a comprehensive portal on ASEF activities.
- Corporate publications to disseminate information about ASEF activities:
 - ASEFNews, a newsletter published every trimester
 - ASEF Annual Report
- Innovative and customised publicity collaterals to promote ASEF and its activities.



FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION ENSURES ASEF'S OPERATIONS ARE UNDERTAKEN IN AN EFFICIENT, COST-EFFECTIVE AND TRANSPARENT MANNER

The Finance and Administration department ensures that the day-to-day operations and activities of ASEF are undertaken in an efficient, cost-effective and transparent manner by providing centralised support through:

- Financial planning, budget management, and accounting for ASEF projects and its overall operations
- Office administration, building maintenance and IT

- Human resource management for its multinational staff
- Organising Board of Governors (BoG) and Executive Committee (ExCo) meetings, as well as addressing other corporate, secretarial and administrative matters.



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 Zailani Bin Johari **Singapore** Facility Officer
 Diane Koh **Singapore** Director until August 2007
 Rosny Kasim **Singapore** Administrative Officer until December 2007

COMMEMORATING 10 YEARS OF ASEF

ASEF celebrated its first decade in 2007. To celebrate this important juncture in its history, ASEF gave its logo a celebratory look, produced a commemorative book with the voices from its alumni and messages from key statesmen, and created an online guestbook for visitors to leave their birthday messages. During this commemorative year, some 20 key projects were selected as signature events. Additionally, a celebration was held on ASEF premises to mark this important milestone.

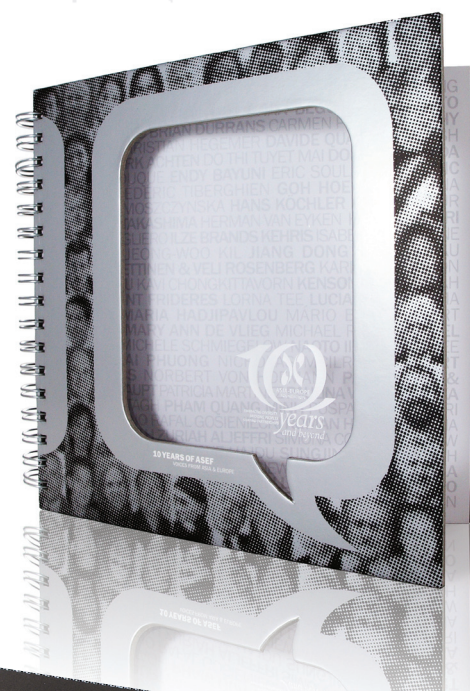




A CELEBRATORY LOOK FOR ASEF LOGO

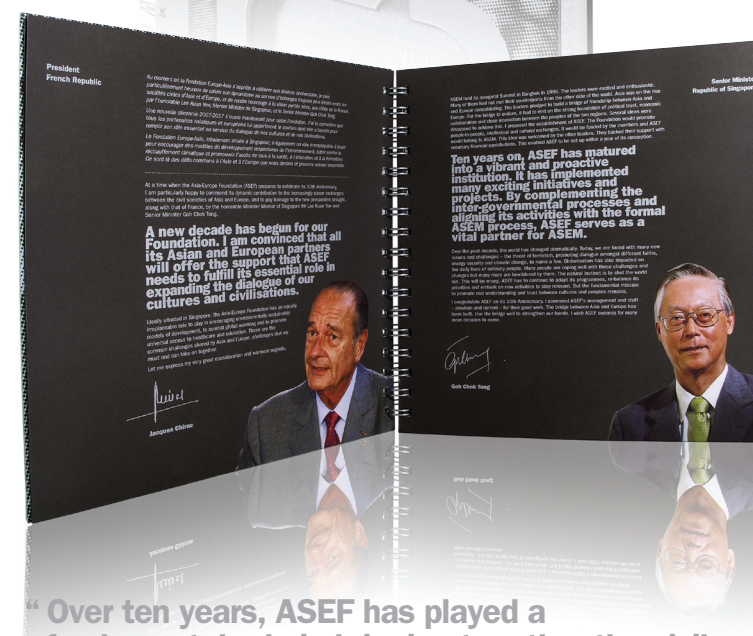
The ASEF logo is a pictorial representation of the letters “a” for Asia and “e” for Europe in a multicoloured continuous strand of twisted ribbon. The form of the letters also hints at a meeting of East and West. The commemorative logo builds on this concept by using a silver ribbon to wind the numeral 10 around the original logo.

The tagline “Embracing Diversity, Bridging Peoples, Shaping Partnerships” was formulated to capture the objectives of ASEF’s work over the past 10 years, and for the years to come.



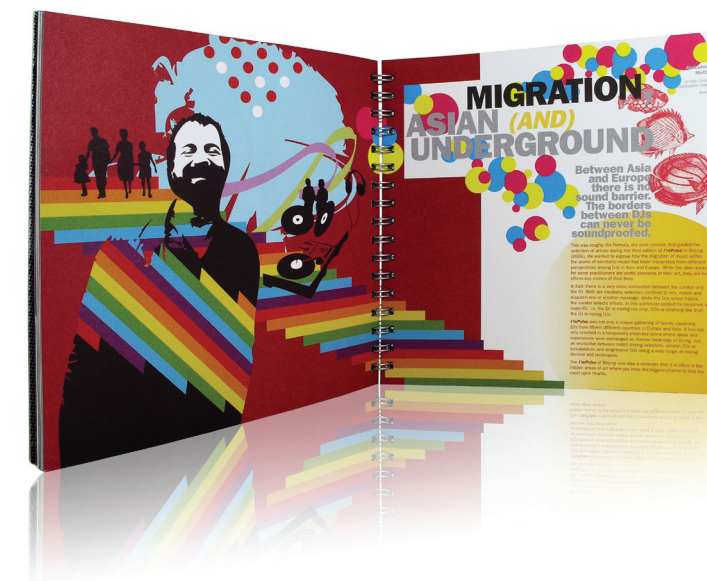
10 YEARS OF ASEF: VOICES FROM ASIA & EUROPE

This commemorative publication is a compilation of personal narratives by ASEF partners and alumni whose lives have been professionally and personally enriched through their direct involvement in ASEF’s work. It also contains messages from key statesmen whose vision brought ASEF into being arising from the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) process.



“Over ten years, ASEF has played a fundamental role in bringing together the civil societies of Asia and Europe. In doing so, it has contributed significantly to shaping the development of the intercultural relations between our two regions, which lie at the core of the ASEM process launched in Bangkok in 1996, and in which ASEF has its roots.”

JOSÉ MANUEL BARROSO
President of the European Commission



“ASEF is uniquely placed to bring civil societies into the ASEM process. It is therefore a crucial focal point for constructive inter-regional cooperation, contributing greatly to our efforts to rise to the multiple and complex challenges that confront the global community. In this age of globalisation, when uniting in our efforts is the only way to overcome our common challenges, ASEF’s time has truly come.”

BAN KI-MOON
Secretary General of the United Nations

13TH APRIL 2007: 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AT ASEF

On 13 April 2007, ASEF celebrated its 10th anniversary through a one-day long commemorative event at its headquarters in Singapore. The diverse programme of this celebration day included the “ASEF, Ten years and Beyond” exhibition, the commemorative artistic collaboration “Culture@Xperiments”, the launch of the first comprehensive on-line portal on universities in Asia and Europe: “DEEP” (Database on Educational Exchange Programme) as well as an Asia-Europe Dialogue discussion panel entitled “Responsible societies: Are Asia and Europe getting it right?”



“Responsible Societies: Are Asia and Europe getting it right?” Panel on Asia-Europe Dialogue

The panel discussed three aspects of social responsibility: corporate social responsibility (CSR), media accountability and global reporting, and the relative responsibilities of religion and state in society.



“Culture@Xperiment”: Showcase of an Artistic Commemorative Collaboration

Based on the concept of the “Photoshop Tennis” five pairs (each composed of one Asian and one European artist) created a collaborative online artwork on the theme “Embracing Diversity, Bridging Peoples, Shaping Partnerships” through a blog specially designed for the project.



The Guests-of-Honour of ASEF 10th Anniversary celebration were Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore H.E. Professor S. Jayakumar and Minister van Staat of the Netherlands H.E. Hans van Mierlo, the two distinguished Foreign Ministers who presided over the inauguration of ASEF ten years ago.

“I am convinced that with the concentrated efforts of all members, ASEF will continue to strengthen dialogue among ASEM members, promote cultural diversity and enhance friendship between the people of Asia and Europe.”

LI ZHAOXING
Minister of Foreign Affairs, People’s Republic of China



Launch and demonstration of the Database on Education Exchange Programmes (DEEP)

“DEEP”, ASEM’s comprehensive online portal on universities, student exchanges and scholarships in Asia and Europe was formally launched. An exhibition allowed the guests to navigate through the web portal for the first time. www.deep.asef.org

“With the founding of ASEF on 15 February 1997 in Singapore, this [Asia-Europe] dialogue was enriched through the involvement of civil society. For it is only through comprehensive dialogue that we can arouse interest and understanding for cultural differences and build bridges between the people of both regions. This has brought Asia and Europe closer together.”

ANGELA MERKEL
Chancellor, Federal Republic of Germany

“ASEF 10 Years and Beyond” Multimedia Exhibition

The exhibition reflected the milestones in ASEF’s history and a vision of ASEF’s future. The concept was built upon ASEF’s major areas of action.



FLAGSHIP PROJECTS

Carrying the anniversary theme of “Embracing Diversity, Bridging Peoples, Shaping Partnerships” ASEF commemorated this year with some 20 signature projects organised over the course of the entire year in various cities across Asia and Europe.

ONLINE WISHES

To reach a wider audience and encourage interactivity with the public across ASEM countries and beyond, an online guest book on the ASEF website invited all best-wishers to contribute their birthday messages online.

PROJECTS AND EVENTS

1 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2007

ARTS DEVELOPMENT,
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& CULTURAL POLICY

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& ACADEMIC
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& SUSTAINABLE
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ARTS DEVELOPMENT, ARTISTIC PRACTICES & CULTURAL POLICY



I'mPULSE Clandestino 4th Asia-Europe Music Camp

2 – 10 June 2007, Gothenburg (Sweden)

This camp was held at the sidelines of the Clandestino Festival and brought together fifteen emerging musicians from Europe and Asia. A close-up on the representation, translation and migration of Asian and European dub music-culture was presented by guest musicians Aniruddha Das (a.k.a Dr. Das), Neil Fraser (a.k.a Mad Professor), Daito Manabe and resource persons like Steve Barker (On the Wire/BBC Radio). Aleksander Motturi (Artistic Director of Clandestino Festival) and Dickson Dee (a.k.a Li Chin Sung) composed the team of curators. Eight public performances were held at the Museum of World Cultures, Storan Opera House, Berg211 Music Club, and The Music House.

In partnership with the Clandestino Festival (Sweden)

ASEMUS Virtual Collection of Masterpieces Grand Launch

13 September 2007, Yongin City (Korea)

Around 150 museum directors and senior museum curators from Asia and Europe witnessed the official grand launch which showcased Asian and European museums' masterpieces on the website. The grand launch was organised to immediately precede the ASEMUS General Conference. Over 40 prominent museum professionals from 25 countries had gathered to review the development and chart future plans for the network. The meeting culminated with Muzeum Azji i Pacyfiku (Poland), Slovenski etnografski muzej (Slovenia), The Ferenc Hopp Museum of Eastern Asiatic Arts (Hungary), Victoria and Albert Museum (UK) and Mongolian Theatre Museum (Mongolia) joining the network.

In partnership with the Gyeonggi Provincial Museum (Korea)

<http://masterpieces.asemus.museum>





Lingua Comica: 2nd Asia-Europe Comics Project

20 – 24 October 2007, London (UK)

Fourteen emerging novelists took part in an online artistic project. Participants were paired up and worked together via the internet. They continued then their collaboration in London, where the artists met, attended panels on comics collaboration between the two regions and shared their experiences. The work in London was facilitated by internationally renowned comic artists and experts like Paul Gravett, Sarnath Banerjee, Titus Ackermann, Igor Tuveri or Benoit Peeters. The outcome from the meeting will be a graphic novel containing the innovative works from Asia-Europe pairs as well as solo works from each artist.

In co-operation with the Comica International Comics Festival (United Kingdom). Supported by the Institute of Contemporary Arts London (United Kingdom), the Goethe Institute of London (United Kingdom), the Institut Français London (United Kingdom) and the Japanese Embassy for the UK (Japan)

Project blog: <http://linguacomica.wordpress.com>

Pointe to Point 5th Asia-Europe Dance Forum

13 – 24 November 2007, Beijing & Guizhou Province (China)



The forum explored the relationships between tradition and contemporary, dance in urban and rural contexts, as well as the interaction between dance and music. This project provided an avenue for new inspirations, discoveries and to instigate questions. 12 choreographer and dancers together with six composer-improvisers from 14 ASEM countries gathered for a five-day research trip in a remote rural area of the Guizhou Province. The artists then carried a series of intensive workshops, creating pieces which were conceptually built on their experiences. A public presentation encapsulating the artists' experiences and observations through their exploration of the Miao Minority concluded the forum.

In co-operation with China Dancers Association

Project blog: <http://pointetopoint2007.wordpress.com>

Documentary Production in association with 5th Asia-Europe Dance Forum

13 – 24 November 2007, Beijing & Guizhou Province (China)

A team of two documentary filmmakers, Jan de Bruin and Ans Kanen, journeyed together with the participants of Pointe to Point 5th Asia-Europe Dance Forum and observed firsthand the evolutionary process of the project. Their documentary will explore the relationship between the development of the project and its socio-cultural environments and illustrating the choreographic value in the contrast between rural and urban settings, modernity and traditions, dance and music. The documentary will be completed in the first half of 2008.

Asia-Europe Forum for Young Photographers 2007/ Future Image

18 – 24 November 2007, Cork & Dublin (Ireland)

This year's exchange, entitled "Create – Communicate – Promote" was focussed on the changes in photography through the impact of digitalisation. Two public talks gave the opportunity for the 20 participants and the public of more than 150 people to learn about digital changes in the professional field of photography. The meeting in Cork ended with an exhibition showcasing one-month collaborative and individual works the participants had created prior their online exchange. In Dublin, the meeting was rounded up with a final exhibition of 21 slideshow projections presenting individual works of each photographer.

In partnership with Sirius Arts Centre (Ireland), Cobh Co. Cork (Ireland), Cork Institute of Technology (Ireland) and the Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology (Ireland)

Project blog: <http://asef.cit.ie/futureimage>



Independent Creative Art Spaces Leadership Training Independent Cultural Centre

9 – 15 December 2007, Paris (France)

This intensive workshop was held for 21 artists and managers from 19 ASEM countries. It concentrated on the role and importance of the artists and manager in multi-disciplinary Independent Creative Art Spaces, by encouraging discussions on issues such as cultural management strategies and contemporary artistic practices. Various interactive sessions examined different aspects of managing an art space in relation to real life case studies. Challenges in planning, human resources, budgeting, fundraising, communication as well as issues around community involvement and audience development were discussed and presented. This training empowered the participants as leaders in their field while creating opportunities for long term exchange and co-operation.

In partnership with Artfactories (France) and Trans Europe Halles (Sweden)

Project blog: <http://indepartspacestraining2007.wordpress.com>

EDUCATION & ACADEMIC CO-OPERATION



PHOTO JIANE SAVIN

ASEM Education Hub Thematic Network on Peace and Conflict Studies Inaugural Conference

30 – 31 August 2007, Copenhagen (Denmark)

The Advisory Board meeting gathered a select group of academic experts to form a strategy towards a growing partnership among Asian and European universities to support prevention, resolution and transformation of conflicts in the ASEM. The Network's board is chaired by former Finnish President Martti Ahtisaari, who has been instrumental in several peace accords, including the Aceh peace talks. The Advisory Board meeting was held back-to-back with the inaugural conference of the ASEM Education Hub's Thematic Network on Peace and Conflict Studies. The conference gathered 70 participants, representing major peace research institutions, donor organisations and government agencies relevant to conflict resolution in the ASEM countries.

In partnership with the Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, supported by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

ASEM Education Hub Thematic Network on eLearning (eASEM) Follow-up Meeting

12 – 13 October 2007, Seoul (Korea)

The ASEM Education Hub Thematic Network on e-Learning (eASEM Network) organised their second meeting in Seoul, to evaluate its achievements in its first year of operations and plan future projects. Thirty-seven practitioners from 11 ASEM countries participated in the meeting. The meeting emphasised the need for members to more actively collaborate and reach out to peers and practitioners. Resulting from the meeting, experts from the Sorbonne University (France) and the University of Jyväskylä (Finland), along with KNOU developed a proposal for the creation of the Silk Road Virtual Campus, a virtual platform on education resources for science and technology, in partnership with UNESCO.

In partnership with the Korea National Open University

ASEM Education Hub Thematic Network on Human Security Inaugural Conference "Energy Security: Visions from Asia and Europe"

8 – 10 November 2007, Jakarta (Indonesia)

The Inaugural Conference gathered 21 key experts in energy security from 18 universities and research institutes. The conference included a presentation of countries' energy security policies, reflections on prospects for regional co-operation on energy security in the ASEAN and the relevance of the European Union's policies for Asia. Participants urged for the inclusion of energy security as one of the priorities for national governments, not only in the economic area, but also in its foreign and security policies.

In partnership with the Research Unit on International Security and Cooperation of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. Supported by the Centre for Strategic International Studies, Berge, Red Electrica de Espana and Foro de las Industria Nuclear Espanola



ASEM Education Hub Thematic Network on Regionalism Studies Inaugural Conference

25 – 27 October 2007, Lyon (France)

The meeting which gathered 22 academic experts was held in parallel with the conference of EastAsiaNet, an alliance of European universities co-operating on East Asian studies and an institutional member of RASEM. The key objectives of RASEM's inaugural meeting were to facilitate an intellectual discourse on the ASEM dimension of regionalism and regionalisation, and to build a framework, through consensus, that would support the network's activities. Participants exchanged views on current trends and future projections on regionalism and the state of regionalism studies in the two regions.

In partnership with CIDOB Foundation, supported by the Universite Jean Moulin Lyon III and the Institute of East Asian Studies of Universite Lumiere Lyon II (France)

ASEM Education Hub Thematic Network on Lifelong Learning International Conference on Lifelong Learning & Advisory Board Meeting

26 November – 1 December 2007, Selangor (Malaysia)

The week-long project was attended by over 100 delegates representing 20 ASEM countries. The key themes of the Conference were:

1. The development of ICT skills, e-learning and the culture of e-learning in lifelong learning;
2. Competence development as workplace learning;
3. National lifelong learning strategies with regard to citizens' motivation; and
4. The professionalisation of lifelong learning.

The LLL Network has produced publications that document research methodologies and findings on lifelong learning in the ASEM countries.

In partnership with the Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia and the Danish University of Education



European Studies in Asia (ESiA) Network
“EU through the Eyes of Asia”
Phase II Workshop on “the Future of European Studies in Asia”

5 – 7 December 2007, Manila (the Philippines)

The event kicked off with the launch of ESiA’s new publication “The EU through the Eyes of Asia: Media, Public and Elite Perceptions in China, Japan, Korea, Singapore and Thailand”. The workshop discussed the findings of the first two phases of ESiA’s pilot project “EU through the Eyes of Asia”. It focused on highlights of interviews conducted with political, media, business and civil society representatives in five Asian countries (China, Japan, Korea, Singapore and Thailand) regarding their perceptions of the EU. The second part of the workshop discussed European studies curriculum development in Asia and Europe. The third phase of the “EU through the Eyes of Asia” project was also launched in Manila during this time. The new phase will observe perceptions of the EU in Vietnam, Indonesia and the Philippines in 2008.

In partnership with the National Centre for Research on Europe – University of Canterbury, Ateneo de Manila University (the Philippines), and the University of Warsaw (Poland)



ASEM Education Hub
2nd Advisory Committee Meeting

17 – 18 December 2007, Alicante (Spain)

Twenty one experts in the field of higher education co-operation, representing leading academic networks and institutions in the two regions were brought together to focus on three tasks that are salient to the future of ASEM Education Hub. These were: to review the ASEM Education Hub activities in 2007 and outline its strategy and workplan for 2008, to report on the main evolutions and issues in Asian and European Higher Education Sectors, and to prepare a jointly elaborated framework for two key higher education summits, the ASEM Education Ministers’ Meeting and First ASEM Rectors’ Conference.

In partnership with the University of Alicante

ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



Asia-Europe Environment Forum
Public Panel Discussion “Global Climate Change Regime after 2012 – ASEM’s Contribution”

23 April 2007, Copenhagen (Denmark)

As a side event of the 3rd ASEM Environment Ministers’ Meeting, the panel discussion on climate change addressed issues including 1) the cost and benefits of a global climate policy; 2) the role of governments and societies in global climate policy; and 3) the experiences of stakeholders with the Clean Mechanism Development. The panel was attended by 60 participants including journalists and delegates from the ASEM Environment Ministries. Key issues from the meeting were presented at the ASEM Environment Ministers’ Meeting.

In partnership with the Hanns Seidel Foundation, the Institute for Global Environment Strategies, the United Nations Environment Programme and the Swedish Environmental Secretariat in Asia, supported by the European Environment Agency

ASEF Youth Partnerships 2007
“Enterprise and Innovation for Environment, Capacity Building for Asia-Europe Youth on Sustainable Development”

14 – 22 July 2007, Phnom Penh, Kampong Chhnang & Siem Reap (Cambodia)

The training gathered 60 young leaders who represented local communities, youth social and non-governmental organisations in ASEM countries, as well as ASEM government officers involved in youth-related issues. The project took place in three different locations which are good examples of places where many sustainable development projects are being implemented. It was successful in providing participants with the basic skills and knowledge on climate change issues and sustainable development at a local, regional and international level. Practical action for sustainable development and for spreading the knowledge acquired during the training was agreed to be taken by all participants.

In partnership with the Young People for Development (YPD) Cambodia, supported by Groupes Energies Renouvelables, Environnement et Solidarités (GERES)



ASEM Youth Dialogue 2007 “Asia-Europe Strategic Choices for Equitable Development”

10 – 17 November 2007, Oriental Mindoro (the Philippines)

The sixth ASEM Youth Dialogue was attended by 43 youth leaders from 23 ASEM countries, all actively involved in local sustainable development initiatives. It was focused on sustainable consumption and production with relation to Climate Change, Education for Sustainable Development, and the Millennium Development Goals. One of the important achievements of the conference was the formalisation of the ‘Asia-Europe Youth Network for Sustainable Development’ (AEYNSD). The aim of this structure is to act as a bi-regional youth consultative body, as well as to serve as a means of sharing capacity and experiences among the members.

In partnership with the Youth For Sustainable Development Assembly-Pilipinas and the Swedish Ministry of Environment’s Task Force on Sustainable Lifestyles



ASEF Lecture “The road between the Gold and the Green: How is Ireland Coping with Its Wealth and its Environment?”

By Frank McDonald, Environment Editor for the Irish Times

26 November 2007, Singapore

Mr Frank McDonald shared his views on the urbanisation of the Irish cities and the impact on the inhabitants. He shared his experiences on reporting on the topic of environment, how to cope with the greater emphasis on environment and how to accurately report the technical issues for public consumption.

In partnership with the Singapore Institute of International Affairs

Asia-Europe Environment Forum ENVForum 5th Roundtable “Achieving Urban Sustainability: Integrated Environmental Management”

28 – 30 November 2007, Shenzhen (China)

The roundtable brought together 36 selected participants and observers from Asia and Europe to share perspectives on integrated urban management solutions. The participants identified areas of convergence in dealing with urban management issues in Asia and Europe, exchanged experiences in urban spaces management and explored policy mechanisms that could be used to reinforce participation from stakeholders in order to achieve urban sustainability through integrated urban management. The co-organisers of the Forum featured a scenario-building workshop, led by moderators from the European Environment Agency, introducing an innovative tool for policy-making.

In partnership with the Hanns Seidel Foundation, the Institute for Global Environment Strategies, the United Nations Environment Programme, and the Swedish Environmental Secretariat in Asia. Supported by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and the City Development Research Center of Shenzhen (China)

HUMAN RIGHTS & GOVERNANCE



18th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour “Mobility, Diversity and Social Cohesion: Challenges and Opportunities”

By Ilze Brands Kehris, Director,
Latvian Centre for Human Rights

26 February – 9 March 2007, Phnom Penh (Cambodia), Yogyakarta (Indonesia), Singapore, Bangkok (Thailand), Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), Mindanao (the Philippines)

Ms Ilze Brands Kehris, Director of the Latvian Centre for Human Rights spoke on how migration for both humanitarian and economic reasons was accelerating the pace of demographic change in various countries. The lecture examined the role of governments in managing these changes particularly with a focus on building social cohesion between new migrants and the community. The presentation pointed out the differences that sometimes existed between the rights that new migrants have in society vis-à-vis the rest of the population and analysed policies tailored towards illegal and temporary migrants.

Hosted by Institute of Occidental Studies (Malaysia), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Thailand), Phnom Penh Centre for Human Rights (Cambodia), Lembaga Indonesia Perancis and Ateneo University de Davao (the Philippines)

ASEF Lecture “From Nuremberg to The Hague: The Road to the International Criminal Court”

By Prof Dr Jutta Limbach, President of the Goethe Institute (Germany), Former President of the Federal Constitutional Court

19 April 2007, Singapore

Dr Limbach’s lecture highlighted the stony path from the Nuremberg Trial 60 years ago, to finally establishing the International Criminal Court (ICC). It was argued that the ICC represents one of the better options for countries to break the cycle of impunity, restore justice and provide victims with reparations. Discussant Kevin Tan (Chairman for the Foundation for the Development of International Law in Asia) provided the audience with the Asian perspective on the ICC, exposing the reasons why many Asian countries may have not ratified the Statute of Rome.

In partnership with the Goethe Institut-Singapore



ASEF Lecture “Linking Human Rights to Security and Development: Challenges and Prospects”

By Kevin Boyle, Professor, Human Rights
Centre, University of Essex (UK)

6 March 2007, Singapore

Prof. Kevin Boyle explored the linkages between human rights protection and other goals of international co-operation such as development, security, the environment and democracy. The lecture addressed the issue of future policies for human betterment and even survival that must reflect the complexity of the challenges brought by a globalised and increasingly unequal world. The lecture was attended by 30 participants including academe, think tanks and research institutes representatives as well as officials from ASEM embassies. The lecture inaugurated ASEM’s new Democratisation and Justice Series.





21st Asia-Europe Lecture Tour “Access to Justice and Public Empowerment”

by Mr Pavol Zilincik, Executive Director of VIA URIS (Slovakia)

23 November – 6 December 2007, Delhi (India); Vientiane (Laos); Phnom Penh (Cambodia); Jakarta (Indonesia)

Mr Pavol Zilincik addressed the topic of justice and people’s empowerment through three aspects: Access to Justice and Law, Access to Justice and the Attorney, and Access to Justice and the Citizen. The lecture particularly focused on the Central European experience of democratisation processes after the end of the Cold War. To stimulate discussion on comparisons and contrasts with Asia, the tour kicked off with an ASEF panel at the 3rd Asian Political and International Studies Association (APISA) International Congress in Delhi. The tour brought ASEF activities to India and Laos for the first time.

In partnership with the National University of Laos (Vientiane), the Cambodian Center for Human Rights (Phnom Penh) and the Institute for Policy and Community Development Studies (Jakarta)

8th Informal ASEM Seminar on Human Rights “Freedom of Expression”

26 – 28 September 2007, Siem Reap (Cambodia)

Countries in Asia and Europe are converging around the principle of freedom of expression, recognising its indispensable contribution to developing tolerant, prosperous and harmonious societies. This was a key conclusion from the 8th Informal Seminar on Human Rights that brought together 140 participants from governments and civil society, representing 38 ASEM countries. The meeting was addressed by Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen; Dr Shashi Tharoor, former UN Undersecretary-General for Communications and Public Information; and Mr Robert Menard, founder and Secretary-General of Reporters without Borders. The Seminar explored four dimensions of freedom of expression: 1) political rights; 2) cultural rights; 3) state-civil society relations; and 4) the impact of information & communications technology.

In partnership with the Raoul Wallenberg Institute (Sweden) and the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, hosted by the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Cambodian Human Rights Committee



Democratisation and Justice Series- 1st Advisory Group Meeting

3 – 4 December 2007, Jakarta (Indonesia)

The newly implemented Asia-Europe Democratisation and Justice series held its first Advisory Group Meeting which involved 10 experts representing non-government organisations, think tanks, the academe, regional institutions as well as former policy-makers. The meeting was an opportunity for the members of the advisory board to explore how to best promote a co-operative network and to identify a suitable design for the new Asia-Europe Democratisation and Justice series. They brainstormed on new ideas for activities under this series and designed two workshops for 2008.

In partnership with the Hanns Seidel Foundation-Indonesia

INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE



10th Talks on the Hill “(in)Secure Societies: Redefining Civil Liberties in a Changing Security Environment”

28 – 30 January 2007, Singapore

The 10th Talks on the Hill examined the tensions between the need for increased security measures against terrorism and the promotion of human rights. Fourteen prominent individuals participated in the intensive, closed-door session. The discussion focused on the political processes behind the implementation of security measures, their impact on the rights of vulnerable ethnic and religious minorities, and the role of NGOs and civil society groups in insecure environments.

11th Talks on the Hill “(A)political education: revisiting history in Asia and Europe”

7 – 9 October 2007, Oświęcim (Poland)

The meeting gathered 12 high-level participants from diverse backgrounds, nationalities and areas of expertise. The discussions were centred on how history is often presented according to the priorities of those writing it; how history can serve as a tool for reconciliation, and how history should be taught in schools. It was stressed that a multi-faceted approach needs to be taken, due to the broad spectrum of issues that need to be addressed, including teacher training, policy lobbying, financial support and the involvement of neutral parties in such discussions.



ASEF Lecture “A Literary Journey”

by Gao Xingjian, Winner of Nobel Prize in Literature 2000

26th November 2007, Singapore

In the form of a public dialogue with Noel Dutrait, Gao’s official French translator, the Nobel Prize shared his story and reflections on tradition and identity, on the value of being exposed to different cultures and how it influenced his works to an audience composed of more than 100 people.

In partnership with the East Asian Institute (EAI) National University of Singapore (NUS) and the Embassy of France in Singapore



Asia-Europe Training for Trainers 2007 “Exploring Dimensions of Understanding and Participation”

1 – 7 December 2007, Tallinn (Estonia)

Twenty-six participants and 6 trainers from 23 ASEM countries and a variety of organisations active at the grassroots as well as the institutional level gathered to analyse the different conceptions and dimensions of active participation in the culture and history of the two continents. Exploring the complexity and diversity of approaches toward participation in the two continents, participants developed fundamental skills to empower youth actors and use voluntary service as a major tool for the integration and active involvement of young individuals in the life of their communities and countries.

In partnership with the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organizations and the Estonian Youth Exchange Service (EstYES)

Dialogue of Cultures and Civilisations “Ancient Civilisations, New Beginnings: A Dialogue of Change”

10 – 12 December 2007, Paris (France)

In recognition of the continued importance of promoting dialogue and understanding, this conference focused on key areas of concern, such as racism and xenophobia, the relationship between religion and the state, the impact of the media and the relationship between the private and public sector. The conference featured prominent personalities from governments, international organisations and civil society such as Dr Surin Pitsuwan, ASEAN Secretary-General Designate and Dr Katerina Stenou, Director of the Division of Cultural Policy and Intercultural Dialogue, UNESCO.

In partnership with World Public Forum - Dialogue of Civilisations. Supported by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UNESCO, the Academie Diplomatique Internationale (France) and the Institut de Relations Internationales et Stratégiques (France)



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



19th & 20th Asia-Europe Lecture Tours “Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective”

By Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) & Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission

12 – 27 February: Ireland, UK, France, Germany, Poland, the Netherlands, Belgium

12 – 23 March: Singapore, Indonesia, the Philippines, Japan, China

To commemorate ASEM’s 10th anniversary, this Lecture Tour was specially organised with two high-profile speakers, Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission. The lecturers delivered their presentations in tandem, each of them speaking the perspective of his “own” region. While Amb Zepter discussed the political dimension of European integration demonstrating that the European model of regionalisation goes beyond economic integration, Amb Severino examined the European relevance for Asian regionalisation processes.

In partnership with the European Policy Centre (Belgium), Asia Centre (France), Chester Beatty Library (Ireland), Chatham House (UK), German Council on Foreign Relations (Germany), Warsaw University (Poland), Dutch Parliament (the Netherlands), Centre for Strategic and International Studies (Indonesia), China Institute of International Studies (China), Asian Institute of Management (the Philippines) and Japan Institute of International Affairs (Japan)



5th Asia-Europe Roundtable “Sustaining the Peace through Post-conflict Reconstruction”

23 – 25 May 2007, Singapore

The Roundtable brought together forty Asian and European experts in post-conflict reconstruction. The conclusions of their discussions included: 1) building the capacity of post-conflict governments for sustainable recovery by avoiding the parallel structures created by the “business” of post-conflict assistance 2) phasing international assistance over a long period, as “a quick exit” may mean an arduous and costly return; and 3) privileging coordination and comprehensiveness rather than fragmentation in the efforts by the international community. Former Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General (SR-SG) to Kosovo Soeren Jessen-Petersen, former UN SR-SG to Timor-Leste Ambassador Sukehiro Hasegawa and Willie McCarter, former chairman of the International Fund for Ireland, were among the participants of the Roundtable.

A public panel “Negotiating an Irreversible End to conflict: Are the Peace Agreements in Aceh and Northern Ireland Sustainable?” with an audience of 120 people launched the two-day Roundtable.

In partnership with the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Office for Regional Co-operation in Southeast Asia



2nd Conference for Young Political Leaders “The Future of ASEM – Youth Responses to Global Challenges”

24 – 28 October 2007, Copenhagen (Denmark)

The Conference brought together 73 representatives of various political ideologies and parties in 29 ASEM countries. This multi-sector and future-oriented event undertook a critical inventory of initiatives to expand Asia-Europe youth co-operation in priority areas such as Migration, Climate Change and Multilateralism. After a fruitful exchange of views, participants reached a consensus that is reflected in the ‘Copenhagen Declaration’, which will be submitted together with the General Report of the Conference for the consideration of the ASEM Leaders during the 7th ASEM Summit to be held in Beijing, China, in 2008.

In partnership with the Danish Youth Council, supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark

MEDIA & SOCIETY

4th Asia-Europe Journalists’ Seminar “Strategic Issues in Asia-Europe Relations: Perspectives from the Media”

On the occasion of the 8th ASEM Foreign Ministers’ Meeting, 26 – 27 May 2007, Hamburg (Germany)

The Journalists’ Seminar gathered 25 foreign desk editors, correspondents and reporters from 21 ASEM countries. The first session of the seminar was moderated by Mr Zhang Niansheng (Brussels Bureau Chief, People’s Daily, China) and focused on European enlargement and consolidation from an Asian perspective. The second session was moderated by Mr Matthias Nass (Deputy Editor, Die Zeit, Germany), and focused on regional developments in emerging Asia and the implications for Europe.

Supported by the German Federal Foreign Office



5th ASEF Journalists’ Colloquium “Deepening Interfaith Dialogue for Peace and Development through the Media”

17 – 18 June 2007, Nanjing (China)

The Colloquium immediately preceded the 3rd ASEM Interfaith Dialogue. It brought together 13 senior editors, columnists and correspondents from Asia and Europe, to discuss their perspectives on the complexities surrounding inter-religious issues, and their socio-political implications. The colloquium was co-moderated by Ms Liu Lina (Editor, Xinhua News Agency China) and Dr Andrew Taussig (Trustee, International Institute of Communication, UK). The Colloquium’s conclusions were subsequently transmitted to the ASEM Interfaith Dialogue’s Working Group: “Interfaith Dialogue and Social Cohesion and Development,” to which the Colloquium’s participants had been accorded special access.

YOUTH



Asia-Europe Partnership in the Field of Trainings Asia-Europe Training for Trainers on Intercultural Learning

25 – 31 May 2007, Manila (the Philippines)

This event brought together 28 representatives of youth organisations in 22 ASEM countries to work on the development of skills and exchange of best practices on intercultural learning, by providing them with an innovative approach regarding intercultural capacities beyond stereotypes and prejudices. The training featured structured learning activities (SLE's) and daily reflections, simulation games and cultural exchanges, as well as the visits to various Philippine landmarks, such as *Intramuros* and the *Malacañang* Palace, the Presidential Palace of the Philippines.

In partnership with the Philippines National Youth Commission, the Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS) and the International Cultural Youth Exchange (ICYE)

6th Asia-Europe Young Parliamentarians Meeting (AEYPM) “Towards an Asia-Europe Parliamentary Partnership”

26 February – 2 March 2007, The Hague (the Netherlands)

Over 50 young parliamentarians from more than 25 ASEM countries and the European Parliament gathered in The Hague, the Netherlands, on the occasion of the Sixth Asia-Europe Young Parliamentarians Meeting to exchange views and perspectives on the theme “Towards an Asia-Europe Partnership”. The AEYPM6 offered the opportunity to compare best practices so as to create new benchmarks in an evolving society in the 21st century. The participants discussed the shifting paradigms in Asia-Europe relations and were challenged to change perceptions and gain new perspectives. The event also had the aim to further dialogue towards deliverable goals applicable in a national and regional setting.

In partnership with the Dutch House of Representatives, the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the International Institute of Asian Studies

ASEF Youth Partnerships 2007 “Seminar on Vocational Training Related to Restoration of the Cultural Heritage and the Environment”

14 – 15 June 2007, Madrid (Spain)

The seminar was organised in the framework of ASEF Youth Partnerships 2007, and gathered 46 experts in the work with youth, cultural heritage and environmental preservation from 25 ASEM countries. It constituted the launch of a process that should be continued in forthcoming years. With this in mind, all the ASEM partners have been invited to develop a coordinated action involving the various projects that are currently in progress or that might be established on the basis of the Madrid Meeting.

In partnership with the Santamarca Training Centre (Spain) supported by the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, the Government of the Philippines and the Spanish Ministry of Labour



6th Annual General Meeting of the ASEF University Alumni Network

2 – 7 August 2007, Madrid (Spain)

The 6th ASEFUAN Annual General Meeting was held from 4 to 7 September 2007 at Casa Asia, attended by 60 alumni. The yearly gathering was a forum to report on the Network's projects and activities, to develop plans for future initiatives and hold the elections of its Executive Committee. In keeping with ASEF University tradition, an event-filled cultural programme was organised, which brought participants to historic Toledo, Cordoba and Sevilla. The ASEFUAN elected its new Executive Committee, now headed by Mr Wei Shen (participant of the 8th ASEF University) from China.

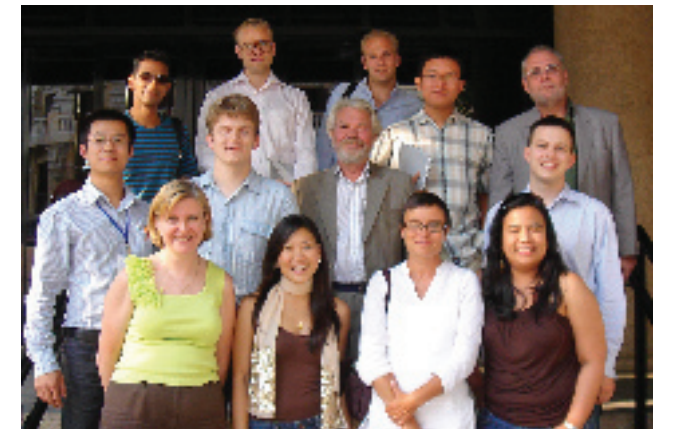
Supported by Complutense University of Madrid, Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation, Casa Aisa, University of Zaragoza, Fundacion Tres Culturas and Grupo Compostela

ASEF Youth Partnerships 2007 6th Asia-Europe Young Volunteers Exchange

11 Sept – 2 October 2007, Paris (France)

The activity brought together 15 participants from 11 ASEM countries for an Introductory and an Evaluation training that took place in Paris, France, with an individual ‘job shadowing’ programme in-between the two trainings, which for each participant was in a different part of Asia or Europe. Established in 2001, the Asia-Europe Young Volunteers Exchange aims at fostering better mutual understanding, co-operation and exchange between voluntary service organisations in Asia and Europe. Particular importance is given to the aspect of networking between organisations, in order to allow knowledge-transfer between the two regions and to achieve common quality standards.

In partnership with the Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS)



14th ASEF University ASEF@10: ASEF University, ASEFUAN and Beyond

31 August – 8 September 2007, Madrid (Spain)

Initiatives by ASEF's alumni are amongst its most significant achievements in fostering mutual understanding between Asia and Europe's emerging leaders. With 13 editions completed, the ASEF University programme has successfully promoted a sustainable grouping of promising young leaders who have since formed the ASEF University Alumni Network (ASEFUAN). In co-operation with various institutions, ASEF organised a week-long series of projects in celebration of ASEF's tenth anniversary; including the inaugural meeting of Asia-Europe Alumni Networks (held on 31 August and 1 September) and the academic conference entitled, *Achieving Human Security: Inter-regional Co-operation and Global Impact*, held on 3 September.

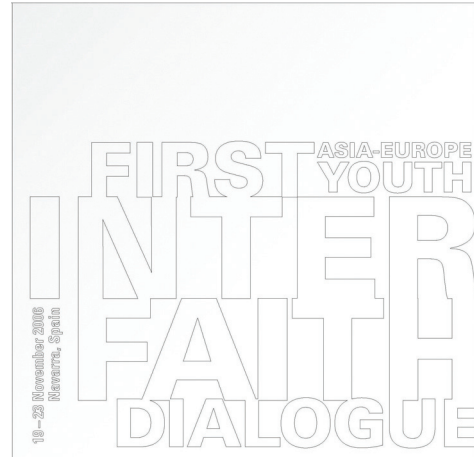
In partnership with the Research Unit on International Security Cooperation, Universidad Complutense de Madrid and the ASEF University Alumni Network, supported by the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Casa Asia, Representation of the European Commission in Spain, University of Zaragoza, Fundacion Tres Culturas, Grupo Compostela and Real Fundacion de Toledo

PUBLICATIONS

1st Asia-Europe Youth Interfaith Dialogue

Editor: Ramon Molina

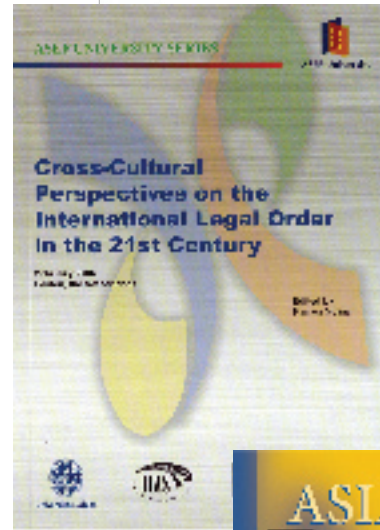
This publication is the result of the 1st Asia-Europe Youth Interfaith Dialogue held on 19-23 November 2006 in Navarra (Spain), and co-organised by ASEF, Casa Asia and the Government of Navarra. The publication tackles the state of interfaith dialogue between Asia and Europe. It includes conclusions from panelists, speakers and facilitators from the Youth Interfaith Dialogue; as well as a general report on the conference and its main outcome, "The Javier Declaration", that aims to seek support for the further development of closer youth interfaith co-operation between Asia and Europe.



13th ASEF University Cross-Cultural Perspectives on the International Legal Order in the 21st Century

Editor: Ramon Molina

The ASEF University Programme promotes intercultural exchanges among talented university students in Asia and Europe. This publication features the contributions from esteemed lecturers invited to the 13th ASEF University that was held in Leiden, the Netherlands, surrounding the theme "Cross-Cultural Perspectives on the International Legal Order in the 21st Century", which examines the international legal order, from its theoretical basis to the modern-day challenges posed on international law and practice.



Asia Europe Journal

Volume 5

Number 1, 2, 3, 4

Editor-in-Chief: Dr Albrecht Rothacher

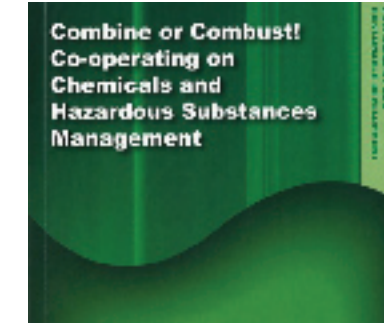
The Asia Europe Journal (AEJ), the quarterly research-based periodical of ASEF, publishes interdisciplinary and intercultural studies and research between Asia and Europe in the social sciences and humanities. Fields of interest cover various aspects of bilateral relationships, comparative studies, Asian area studies from a European perspective and vice-versa. Each volume is intended to follow one major subject such as security, historical experiences, cultural perceptions, civic rights, gender issues, regional integration, development, ethnic minorities or other areas of bi-regional interest. Find out more about the AEJ at <http://aej.asef.org>



Combine or Combust! Co-operating on Chemicals and Hazardous Substances Management

Editors: Peter Ryan and Atul Bagai

This publication is a compendium of the Asia-Europe Environment Forum 4th Roundtable, it presents views expressed during the meeting by leading policy makers and technical specialists on (a) common global approaches in chemicals and hazardous substances management for Asia and Europe; and, (b) overarching policy regime issues in chemicals and hazardous substances management in Asia and Europe. It includes contributions from Dr Kim Myung-Ja, member of the Korean National Assembly, and Mr Daniel Verbiest, Executive Director, Build Trust and Communications, European Chemicals Industry Council. ASEF edited this volume together with Mr Atul Bagai of the United Nations Environment Programme.



The EU through the Eyes of Asia: Media, Public and Elite Perceptions in China, Japan, Korea, Singapore and Thailand

Editors: Martin Holland, Peter Ryan, Alojzy Nowak and Natalia Chaban

This publication presents the findings of the inaugural project of the European Studies in Asia network, the "EU through the Eyes of Asia". The findings reported here will help to develop a wider knowledge about the international perceptions of the EU: the external image of the EU constitutes a fundamental component of an ongoing process of EU identity linking the perception of "Others" and self-perception. The analysis provides solid data that can better guide policy makers and concludes with recommendations to the EU, third countries and the media.



ASEFNews

Year 2007 Trimesters 1, 2, 3

Issued three times a year, ASEFNews covers ASEF projects and activities of the preceding trimester. Each issue focuses on ASEF departments' joint effort in a particular thematic area. The 2007 newsletter, focused respectively on: education and co-operation, media and society and, arts developments, artistic practices and cultural policy. The newsletter also features new ASEF publications, news coverage that indicates public interest in ASEF activities, as well as recent and upcoming happenings in ASEF and ASEM. To subscribe to ASEFNews, contact us at info@asef.org



WEBSITES

ASEF Corporate Website

www.asef.org

ASEF's primary website serves as a portal to current projects and announcements, while also maintaining archive of completed activities and projects. Visitors to the website find comprehensive information about ASEF as an organisation and its funding, coupled with call for applications for upcoming projects, information about ASEF publications, news articles and links to partner organisations.



ASEM InfoBoard

www.aseminfoboard.org

ASEF is mandated by the ASEM partners to oversee the running of the ASEM InfoBoard, a one-stop information service for ASEM affairs and other matters regarding Asia-Europe relations. It has served as a primary source of information on the ASEM process, and helped to increase the visibility of ASEM to external public.



Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET)

www.aec.asef.org

Launched in December 1998, the Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET) is ASEF's main platform to forge contacts among secondary and high schools, teachers and students in Asia and Europe. Through its activities, the AEC-NET provides opportunities for collaborative learning and intercultural exchanges. It is a cyber-classroom shared by students and teachers to build stronger bi-regional networks and partnerships in the course of implementing common online projects and participating in face-to-face exchanges. To subscribe to the Asia-Europe Classroom Network E-newsletter, please contact info@aec.asef.org



Asia-Europe Environment Forum

<http://env.asef.org>

The Asia-Europe Environment Forum website is dedicated to Asia-Europe co-operation on the environment. The ENVforum provides a platform for Asia-Europe dialogue and debate on environment and sustainable development issues. The website also hosts a quarterly eNewsletter which features environment and sustainable development headlines and announcements, relevant to Asia and Europe. To subscribe, contact env@asef.org



Asia Europe Journal Intercultural Studies in the Social Sciences and Humanities

<http://aej.asef.org>

This website is dedicated to the Asia Europe Journal, ASEF's research based periodical. It provides the visitor with further background information about the journal, such as information about subscriptions, the focus of upcoming issues, table of contents or call for papers. It also offers free access to some articles. The AEJ eNewsletter contains information about AEJ background news and special promotions, table of contents for the upcoming issue and call for papers. To subscribe to the AEJ eNewsletter, contact us at asiaeuropejournal@asef.org



Asia-Europe Museum Network (ASEMUS)

www.asemus.org

The Asia-Europe Museum Network allows for the sharing of museum collections of mutual interest, the enhancement of professional competence, the development of document repositories, the hosting of joint exhibitions as well as the stimulation and empowerment of co-operation between Asia and Europe.



Asia-Europe Workshop Series

<http://aews.asef.org>

The annual Asia-Europe Workshop Series aims to foster dialogue and collaboration between Asia and Europe by providing support for academic institutions who intend to organise workshops focusing on issues affecting the two regions. It is a partnership between ASEF and the European Alliance of Asian Studies.

CulturE-ASEF

www.culture-asef.org

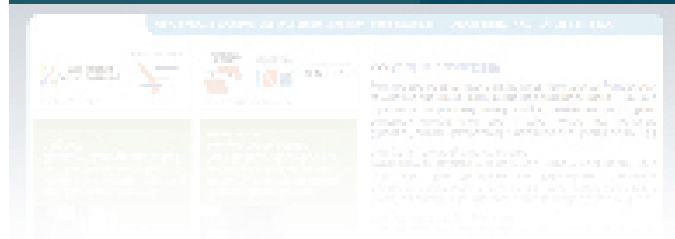
CulturE-ASEF aims to support cultural exchange between Asia and Europe by guiding interested parties to systematic directories of annotated links of websites with information in the field of visual arts in Asia and Europe. The concept of the CulturE-ASEF website was developed by the editors of Universes in Universe and brought to ASEF Cultural Exchange.

Database on Education Exchange Programmes (DEEP)

<http://deep.asef.org>

The Database on Education Exchange Programme (DEEP) is ASEM's comprehensive online portal on universities, student exchanges and scholarships in Asia and Europe. DEEP allows users to:

- Select from an ever-expanding list of universities from the ASEM countries, organised by country and by field of study;
- Locate scholarships and exchange programmes available from the user's country of origin and the preferred country of destination;
- Identify official agencies assisting foreign students;
- Obtain a snapshot of Asian and European education systems, entry requirements and credit recognition procedures; and
- Exchange experiences of studying in Asia and Europe.



Dialogue of Cultures and Civilisations

<http://civdialogue.asef.org>

This website is dedicated to the Asia-Europe Foundation's Dialogue of Cultures and Civilisations programme which was established to address contentious and sensitive cultural and inter-civilisational issues. This website serves as a platform for information-sharing on the various projects within this programme.

European Studies in Asia (ESIA)

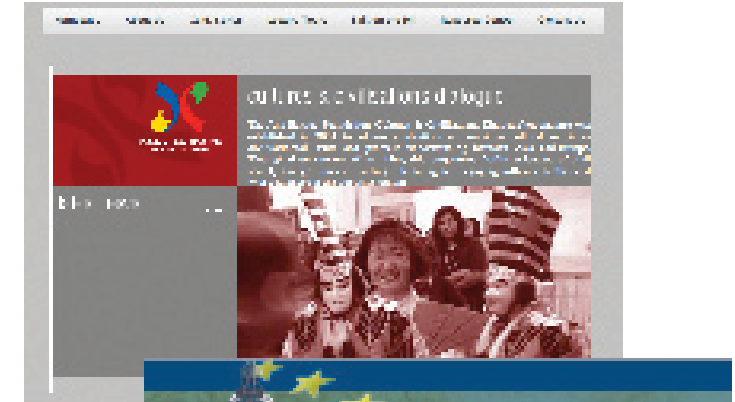
<http://esia.asef.org>

The ESIA website is a fully interactive website for European studies academics, institutions and network to share and collaborate. This unique online platform is a resource of information, debate and research on European studies in Asia and Europe. It contains papers, articles, conference and publication announcements, vacancies and an extensive database of leading European studies institutions and networks in the two regions. The eMonitor is the quarterly electronic newsletter of the ESIA network with a readership of 8,000 in Asia, Europe and internationally. For subscriptions and enquiries, please contact esia@asef.org

Synergy Europe-Asia Images

<http://sea-images.asef.org>

The SEA-Images website (Synergy Europe-Asia) is for the promotion of film exchange between Asia and Europe. Since its launch in January 2004, SEA-Images aims to provide a unique pool of information on Asian film industry and its independent sector, classified data on the diverse European film industry and useful information for independent film makers from Asia and Europe. The Sea-Images eNewsletter includes news, call for entries and relevant articles. To subscribe, please contact: sea-images@asef.org



SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE*

(1 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2007)

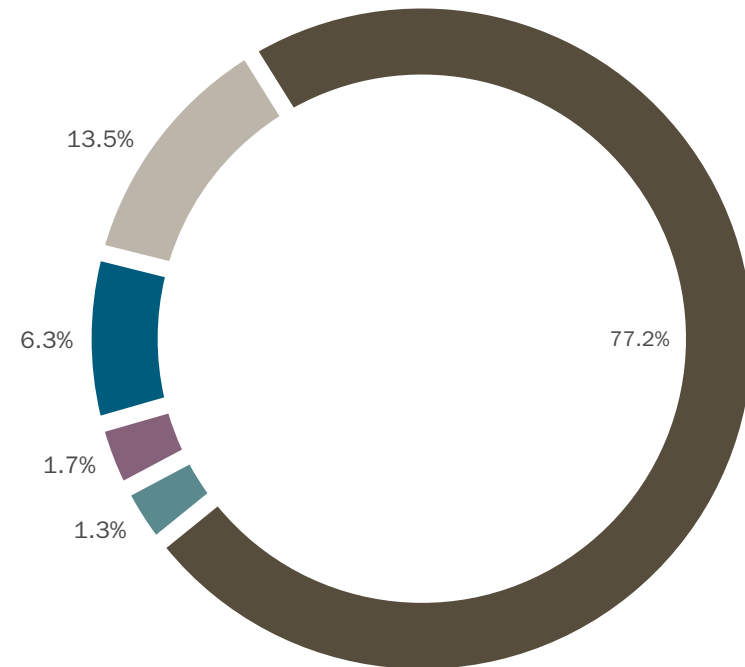
	SGD	EURO	USD
Projects	5,270,440	2,509,733	3,490,358
Staff Expenses	921,853	438,978	610,499
Administration	429,730	204,633	284,589
Public Affairs	116,797	55,617	77,349
Property Maintenance	86,477	41,180	57,270
Total	6,825,296	3,250,141	4,520,064

Exchange rate as at 31 December 2007

1 USD - SGD 1.51

1 EURO - SGD 2.1

Projects	77.2%
Staff Expenses	13.5%
Administration	6.3%
Public Affairs	1.7%
Property Maintenance	1.3%



* Un-audited figures

SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR PROJECTS*

(1 JANUARY – 31 DECEMBER 2007)

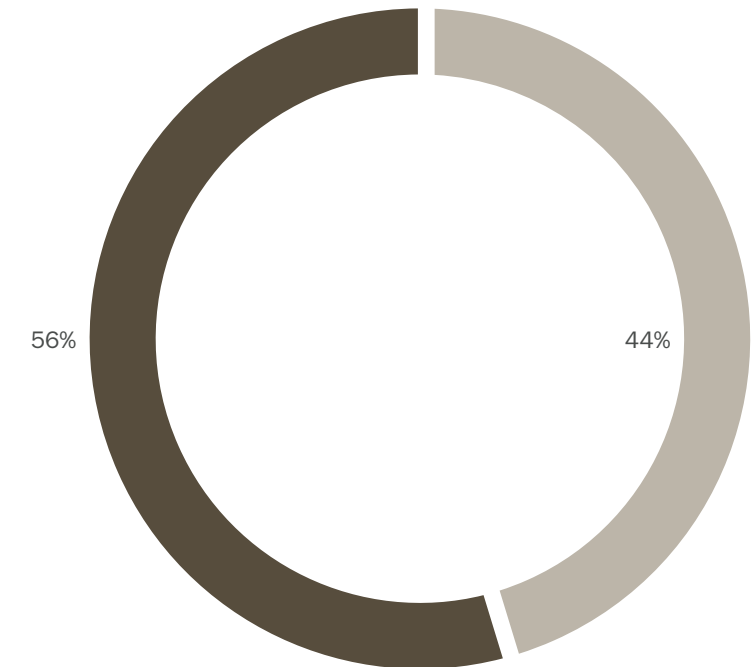
	SGD	EURO	USD
ASEF	5,270,440	2,509,733	3,490,358
Partner Organisations & Private Sector Sponsorship	4,202,551	2,001,215	2,783,147
Total	9,472,991	4,510,948	6,273,504

Exchange rate as at 31 December 2007

1 USD - SGD 1.51

1 EURO - SGD 2.1

ASEF	56%
Partner Organisations & Private Sector Sponsorship	44%



* Un-audited figures

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS*

FROM 1 FEBRUARY 1997 TO 31 DECEMBER 2007

MEMBERS	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED			AMOUNT RECEIVED		
				converted to S\$ @ transaction date rates		
	USD	EURO	SGD	Operating Fund	Endowment Fund	Trust Fund
Austria	700,000	532,631	1,290,050	1,290,050		
Belgium	1,070,424	814,488	1,773,985	359,568	1,414,417	
Brunei	1,115,000	848,406	1,654,240	1,654,240		
Bulgaria	27,530	20,948	38,016	38,016		
Cambodia	30,000	22,827	47,280	47,280		
China	2,240,000	1,704,420	3,694,700	3,694,700		
Czech Republic	203,731	155,019	322,234	322,234		
Denmark	1,119,526	851,849	1,856,500	1,856,500		
Estonia	31,725	24,140	51,952	51,952		
Finland	1,624,136	1,235,808	2,682,405	2,682,405		
France	2,513,863	1,912,803	4,468,756	559,950	1,014,400	2,894,406
Germany	2,782,355	2,117,099	4,679,633	4,679,633		
Greece	135,000	102,722	222,501	196,971	25,530	
Hungary	51,425	39,129	85,314	85,314		
Indonesia	600,000	456,541	966,914	966,914		
India	100,000	76,090	151,000	151,000		
Ireland	724,507	551,279	1,175,048	1,175,048		
Italy	1,147,848	873,400	2,037,431	2,037,431		
Japan	4,044,840	3,077,726	6,396,697	3,018,983		3,377,714
Rep. Of Korea	2,193,598	1,669,113	3,738,508	2,050,570	1,342,038	345,900

MEMBERS	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED			AMOUNT RECEIVED		
				converted to S\$ @ transaction date rates		
	USD	EURO	SGD	Operating Fund	Endowment Fund	Trust Fund
Laos	15,000	11,414	23,878	23,878		
Latvia	24,974	19,003	36,889	36,889		
Lithuania	34,257	26,066	49,927	49,927		
Luxembourg	2,523,328	1,920,005	4,088,831	3,034,977	1,053,854	
Malaysia	542,600	412,865	833,559	267,648	565,911	
Myanmar	44,042	33,512	65,015	65,015		
the Netherlands	1,442,515	1,097,612	2,174,827	2,174,827		
Pakistan	40,000	30,436	61,070	61,070		
the Philippines	288,664	219,645	465,779	465,779		
Poland	189,530	144,214	305,779	305,779		
Portugal	711,150	541,115	1,224,065	346,752	877,313	
Singapore	3,400,000	2,587,066	5,478,600	2,049,300	3,429,300	
Slovenia	37,356	28,424	58,822	58,822		
Spain	1,353,289	1,029,720	2,253,325	2,253,325		
Sweden	745,534	567,278	1,198,594	1,198,594		
Thailand	828,082	630,089	1,398,114		1,398,114	
United Kingdom	978,919	744,861	1,611,551	729,784		881,767
Vietnam	224,000	170,442	376,950	376,950		
European Commission	7,819,090	5,949,560	12,876,771	681,085	1,853,400	10,342,286
Grand Total	43,697,838	33,249,767	71,915,510	41,099,160	12,974,277	17,842,073

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- Trust Fund – Contributions received are earmarked for specific projects, the utilisation of which requires prior approval from the contributing member.

PARTNERS

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PARTNERS	PROJECTS
Academic Co-operation Association (ACA)	Database on Education Exchange Programmes (DEEP) 2007: Website Development and Launch
Academie Diplomatique Internationale	Dialogue of Cultures and Civilisations "Ancient Civilisations, New Beginnings: A Dialogue of Change"
Alliance of the European Voluntary Service Organisations (AEVSO)	Asia-Europe Training for Trainers 2007 "Exploring Dimensions of Understanding and Participation"
Artfactories (France)	Independent Creative Art Spaces – Leadership Training
ASEF University Alumni Network (ASEFUAN)	- 6th Annual General Meeting of the ASEF University Alumni Network (ASEFUAN) - 14th ASEF University Commemorative Edition "ASEF@ 10: ASEF University, ASEFUAN and Beyond"
ASEM Education and Research Hub on Lifelong Learning	ASEM Education Hub: Thematic Network on Lifelong Learning-Annual Conference
ASEMUS Executive Committee	ASEMUS 2007: Virtual Collection of Masterpieces Grand Launch, General Conference and 10th Executive Committee Meeting
Asia Centre, Science Po (France)	19th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
Asian Institute of Management (the Philippines)	20th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
Ateneo De Manila University (the Philippines)	European Studies in Asia (ESIA) Network "EU through the Eyes of Asia" : Phase II Workshop on the Future of European Studies in Asia and Phase III Media Analysis, Public Opinion Survey and Elite Interviews
Ateneo de Davao Univeristy (the Philippines)	18th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Mobility, Diversity and Social Cohesion: Challenges and Opportunities" by Ilze Brands Kehris, Director, Latvian Centre for Human Rights
Cambodia Center for Human Rights	21st Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Access to Justice and Public Empowerment" by Pavol Zilincik, Executive Director, Via Uris – Centre for Public Advocacy (Slovakia)
Cambodia Human Rights Committee	- 8th Informal ASEM Seminar on Human Rights: Preparatory Meeting - 18th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Mobility, Diversity and Social Cohesion: Challenges and Opportunities" by Ilze Brands Kehris, Director, Latvian Centre for Human Rights
Centre for Dialogue and Prayer (Poland)	11th Talks on the Hill "(A)political education: revisiting history in Asia and Europe"
Centre for Human Security Studies at Chubu University (Japan)	Asia-Europe Workshop Series 2006/2007 "International Migration, Multi-focal Livelihoods and Human Rights: Lessons from EU and ASEAN"

PARTNERS	PROJECTS
Centre for International Information and Documentation (CIDOB Foundation) (Spain)	ASEM Education Hub: Thematic Network on Regionalism Studies-Inaugural Conference
Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) (Indonesia)	20th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
Chatham House (UK)	19th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
Chester Beatty Library (Ireland)	19th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
China Dancers Association (China)	Pointe to Point, 5th Asia-Europe Dance Forum
China Institute for International Studies (China)	20th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)	Asia-Europe Workshop Series 2006/2007 "Technology and Culture: Genetics and its Social and Ethical Implications in Asia and Europe"
Clandestino Festival 2007 (Sweden)	I'mPULSE Clandestino, 4th Asia-Europe Music Camp
Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS) (France)	- ASEF Youth Partnerships 2007 "Asia-Europe Young Volunteers Exchange" - Asia-Europe Partnership in the Field of Trainings "Asia-Europe Training for Trainers on Intercultural Learning"
Cork Institute of Technology (Ireland)	Asia-Europe Forum for Young Photographers 2007 "Future Image"
Cork Sirius Arts Centre (Ireland)	Asia-Europe Forum for Young Photographers 2007 "Future Image"
Council on Foreign Relations (Germany)	19th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour "Lessons and Reflections on Regionalisation in Asia and Europe: An Asian and European Perspective" by Amb Rodolfo C. Severino, former Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and Amb Bernhard Zepter, former Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission
Danish University of Education (Denmark)	ASEM Education Hub: Thematic Network on Lifelong Learning-Annual Conference
Danish Youth Council (DUF) (Denmark)	2nd Conference for Young Political Leaders "The Future of ASEM – Youth Responses to Global Challenges"

PARTNERS

PROJECTS

**Developing Countries Research Centre,
University of Delhi (India)**

21st Asia-Europe Lecture Tour
“Access to Justice and Public Empowerment”
by Pavol Zilincik, Executive Director, Via Uris – Centre for Public Advocacy (Slovakia)

**Dun Laoghaire Institute of Arts, Design
and Technology (IADT) (Ireland)**

Asia-Europe Forum for Young Photographers 2007
“Future Image”

**Dutch House of Representatives
(the Netherlands)**

19th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour
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- 6th Asia-Europe Young Parliamentarians Meeting “Towards an Asia-Europe Partnership”

**Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs
(the Netherlands)**

6th Asia-Europe Young Parliamentarians Meeting “Towards an Asia-Europe Partnership”

**East Asian Institute (EAI) ,
National University of Singapore (NUS)**

Public Talk “A Literary Journey”
by Mr Gao Xingjian, Winner of the Nobel Prize in Literature, 2000

**Environmental Challenge Organisation
(ECO-Singapore)**

ASEM Youth Dialogue 2007
“Asia-Europe Strategic Choices for Equitable Development”

EstYES (Estonia)

Asia-Europe Training for Trainers 2007
“Exploring Dimensions of Understanding and Participation”

**European Academy for Environment
and Economy (Germany)**

Asia-Europe Workshop Series 2006/2007
“Technology and culture: Genetics and its social and ethical implications in Asia and Europe”

European Alliance for Asian Studies (EAAS)

Asia-Europe Workshop Series 2007/2008: Selection Committee Meeting

European Policy Centre (EPC) (Belgium)

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Universitas Indonesia	European Studies in Asia Network “EU through the Eyes of Asia”
University Kebangsaan (Malaysia)	18th Asia-Europe Lecture Tour “Mobility, Diversity and Social Cohesion: Challenges and Opportunities” by Ilze Brands Kehris, Director, Latvian Centre for Human Rights
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