8:45 hr.  Registration

Opening Session

9:00hr.  Moderation/Welcome remarks

Ms. Sol Iglesias
Director,
Intellectual Exchange Department
Asia Europe Foundation

Session I  Policies and Perceptions of the EU in Asia

9:15 hr.  Chair:
Assoc. Prof. Chayodom Sabhasri
Director,
Interdisciplinary Department of European Studies,
Chulalongkorn University

9:20 hr.  “Policy developments to promote the EU in Asia”
by
Dr. Albrecht Rothacher
DG – External Relations,
European Commission

9:40 hr  “The EU through the Eyes of Asia”
by
Dr. Natalia Chaban
National Centre for Research on Europe (NCRE),
University of Canterbury.

10:00  Discussant 1: View from Brussels

Mr. Graham Watson MEP, (United Kingdom)
Chair of the Delegation for relations with India,
European Parliament

10:10  Discussant 2: View from the Media

Dr. Kanishk Tharoor, (India)
Associate Editor,
Open Democracy

10:20 hr  Discussion

11:00: hr.  Coffee/Tea Break
Session II:  

**EU outreach in East Asia, South Asia and ASEAN**

11:15 hr  
Chair:  
Mr. Xavier Nuttin  
Directorate-General for External Policies,  
Policy Unit,  
European Parliament

11:20 hr  
‘The EU’s relationship with East Asia: Japan’s perspective’  
by  
Ambassador Takayuki Kimura (Japan)  
Visiting Research Fellow  
European Union Institute

11:35 hr  
‘EU-ASEAN relations’  
Dr. Hamdin Abd. Hamid (Malaysia)  
Executive Director  
Asia Europe Institute  
University of Malaya

11:50 hr  
“The European Union and South Asia”  
by  
Prof. Rajendra Jain (India)  
Centre for European Studies,  
Jawaharlal Nehru University.

**Session III: Asia in the Eyes of Europe**

12:05 hr  
*How Europe perceives Asia?*  
by  
Dr. Michael Brutel (France)  
Senior Lecturer,  
Political Science and European Politics  
London School of Economics

12:20 hr  
Joint Discussion

13:00 hr  
Summary and Conclusions  
by  
Dr. Sebastian Bersick (Germany)  
Associate Fellow  
German Council on Foreign Relations

13:15 hr  
**Closing remarks**  
Mr. Paul Van De Velde, (The Netherlands)  
Senior Policy Advisor,  
International Institute of Asian Studies, University of Leiden, &  
General Project Manager, Europe-Asia Policy Forum

13:20 hr  
Formal Launching of “The EU through the Eyes of Asia Volume II: New Cases, New Findings” publication

13:30 hr  
Lunch Reception

* Session II & III will run concurrently with a combined Joint discussion afterwards