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PAPER SESSIONS

CONFERENCE VENUE: AULA MAGNA, STOCKHOLM UNIVERSITY

Paper sessions will take place in the seminar rooms called "Bergsmannen" and "Polstjärnan" located on the 7th floor in the Aula Magna building.

Instructions: Each author will have approximately 15 minutes to present the main arguments in their paper, after which the discussant will offer her/his comments. Questions and comments from the other participants are most welcome.

TUESDAY 22 November

10.00-11.00 Keynote address: Mary E Gallagher: Bottom-Up Mobilization and the Limits of China’s Development Model
Room: Aula Magna

11.00-11.20 Coffee break

11.20-13.00 Session 1: Mobilisation, Protest and Political Regimes
Room: Bergsmannen
Chair: Jamie Doucette
Discussant: Eva-Lotta Hedman

Meredith Weiss: Winning and Losing in the Modern Era: Identity, Mobilization and (Dis)empowerment
Maria Heimer: Understanding Protest Impact in Authoritarian States: Framing by Blaming in China
Eva Hansson: Inequalities, Protests and Regime Change: Thailand and
Vietnam

11.20-13.00 Session 2: Forms of Activism and Its Responses
Room: Polstjärnan
Chair: Henrik Berglund
Discussant: Merrick Tabor
Astrid Nordin: Internet Censorship and its Responses: Possibilities and Dangers in China
Marina Svensson: Microblogging in China: A Site for Contentious Politics or “Feel-Good Activism”?
Sharifa Syahirah: Local-Global Representation of Muslim Women in Malaysia: Mobilization and Power Relations Analysis
Henrik Berglund:

13.00-14.00 Lunch
14.00-15.00 Keynote address Duncan McCargo: Thailand’s Changing Democratic Dynamics: The Challenging Rise of the Urbanized Villager
15.00-15.30 Break
15.30-16.30 Keynote address Giles Ji Ungpakorn: Democratization and the Monarchy in Thailand
16.30-16.50 Coffee break

16.50-18.30 Session 3: Growth Politics, Authoritarianism and Labour
Room: Bergsmannen
Chair: Hege Merete Knutsen
Discussant: Meredith Weiss
Jamie Doucette: Minjung Tactics in a Post-Minjung Era? Traumatic Events and the Politics of Trade Union Protest in South Korea
Paul Abhijeet: Immaterial Labor: Gender and Politics in Kolkata
Eva-Lotta Hedman: Capital and Punishment: The Politics of Growth in Malaysia

16.50-18.30 Session 4: Inequality and Conflict
Room: Polstjärnan
Chair: Per Hilding
Discussant: Henrik Berglund
Arpita Das: Redefining Indian Democracy At The Grassroots-
Chitra Karunakaran Prasanna: Mobilisation Against Inequality: Depoliticisation of land: Increasing Inequality and Conflicts in India
Vivek Kumar: Globalization, Regional Economic Cooperation and Inequalities in South Asia
Aki Tonami: Danish and Japanese Aid in Asia

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WEDNESDAY 23 November

9.00-10.00  Keynote address Stein Tønnesson: *The Southeast Asian Peace Trend - and the Thai Exception*

10.00-10.20  Coffee break

10.20-12.00  Session 5: Conflict, Mobilization and Democracy
Room: Bergsmannen

Chair: Eva Hansson
Discussant: Duncan McCargo
Pavin Chachavalpongurn: *Power from Below: The Emergence of Red Networks in Thailand*
Giles Ji Ungpakorn: *Thai Spring?*
Elvin Ong: *Is Thailand Really Polarized? Tentative Evidence from the World Values Survey and Asian Barometer the ASEAN?*
Yanwar Pribadi: *Jawara and Blater: The Origin and Rise of Strongmen Groups in Local Politics in Indonesia*

10.20-12.00  Session 6: Law in Transition
Room: Polstjärnan

Chair: Per Hilding
Discussant: Mary E Gallagher
Marie Kim: *Constitutional Changes, Democratic Sensibilities, and the Traval of the Korean Supreme Court: Judicial Independence in Modern Political Transitions*
Miao Han: *Law in Transition: Evidence from China*
Li Silfverberg: *The Notion of “bentuhua” (“nativization” in China’s Rule of Law Debate and the Return of Mediation Practice*

13.00-14.30  Session 7: Democracy, Peace, Conflict, IR
Room: Bergsmannen

Chair: Geir Helgesen
Discussant: Amitav Acharya
Anders Uhlin: *Civil Society Engagement with the ASEAN: Understanding Political Opportunity Structures*
Elin Bjarnegård: *Gender and the East Asian Peace: The Role of Communism*
Lian Sakhong: *The Dynamics of Sixty Years of Ethnic Conflict in Burma*

13.00-14.30  Session 8: Economic Transitions and Cooperation
Room: Polstjärnan

Chair: Henrik Berglund
Discussant: Per Hilding
Hege Merete Knutsen: *Globalisation and Transfer of “Western*
**Institutions**: Possibilities and Challenges in Developing a Regulatory Framework for HSE in the Vietnamese Petroleum Sector
Yu Wang-Vedrine: *Between the Environmental Economy and the Social Diversity*
Thomas Skov Lauridsen: *Theorizing China’s Transition: A Global Economy and Regulation Alternative*

14.30-15.00  Break

15.00-16.00  **Keynote address Amitav Acharya: Democracy and Participatory Regionalism in Southeast Asia**
16.00-16.30  Coffee break

16.30-18.00  **Session 9: IR and Internal Protests**
Room: Bergsmannen
Chair: Eva Hansson
Discussant: Pavin Chachavalpongpun
Karl Gustafsson: *Chinese Nationalism: A Struggle Over the Meaning of the Term ‘Patriotism’*
Akihiro Ogawa: *No More Nukes!: Japan’s Renewed Conflicts after Fukushima*

16.30-18.00  **Session 10: Globalization and Labour**
Room: Polstjärnan
Chair: Per Hilding
Discussant: Hege Merete Knutsen
Charlotta Hedberg: ‘Grapes of wrath’? Power and Inequalities in the Wake of Thai-Swedish Labour Mobilities in the Berry Industry
Per Hilding: *Impact of Market Regulation on Technological Change, Industrial Restructuring and Incidence of Child Labour in India’s Match Industry*
Bonn Juego: *Capitalist Development in Contemporary Southeast Asia: Neoliberalization, Elites, and Authoritarian Liberalism in the Philippines and Malaysia*

18.00-18.30  **Summing up**

19.00  **Conference dinner at The Social Science Faculty Club, Stockholm University**

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