



Leeds and Doshisha Double Degree Programme



Academic Taster Lecture
by
Associate Professor Akiko Morishita

Wednesday 27 November 2024

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- Start: 9:00 am - 10:00 am (UK time) and 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm (Japan time)
- Academic Taster Lecture, followed by a Q&A

Academic Lecture Title: China-Southeast Asia Relations in History and Today

Abstract: This lecture provides an in-depth introduction to an Area Studies approach for studying Southeast Asian politics and international relations. We will focus on historical and contemporary China-Southeast Asian relations, examining the continuity and changes in the characteristics and patterns of their relations. This presentation explores the history of China-Southeast Asian relations from Southeast Asian perspectives, covering the duration before and during the colonial era, after World War II, during and after the Cold War as well during the 1997 Asian financial crisis and the first two decades of the 21st century. This lecture will also explain China's regional objectives for Southeast Asia today, the responses of Southeast Asia to China's regional strategy, and the relationships between China and the major Southeast Asian countries. This lecture will provide historical and regional insights to enhance better understanding of the complicated relations between China and Southeast Asia.

About the Speaker: Associate Professor Akiko Morishita

Dr Akiko Morishita is an Associate Professor at Faculty of Law, Doshisha University, specialising in Southeast Asian politics from an Area Studies approach. Her research interests include state-society relations from a viewpoint of "ordinary" people, political culture, the relationship between the military and society, politics over natural resources, local politics, and

social movements, particularly in Indonesia and Malaysia. She holds a PhD in Area Studies from Kyoto University.

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