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a) Inter-Agency Committee on the Chinese Overseas Databank and Research, Singapore (HuayiNet), comprising:

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- National University of Singapore, Department of Chinese Studies
- Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Singapore Federation of Chinese Clan Associations
- Singapore History Museum
- Singapore Press Holdings, Information Resource Centre
- Sun Yat Sen Nanyang Memorial Hall

b) Ohio University Libraries, Athens, Ohio, USA

In association with: International Zhenghe Society, Singapore

Conference Registration Fee

S\$300 for the 3-day conference including public lectures
Registration form is also available at website: <http://www.huayinet.org>

Contact for Conference Information

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About the Conference

Chinese overseas migration began many centuries ago. In the long process, Chinese contacts were established with the vast maritime world in Asia, spreading from the Asia Pacific to the Indian Ocean littoral.

The Conference theme "*Maritime Asia and the Chinese Overseas (1405-2005)*" coincides with the 600th anniversary of Admiral Zheng He's first of the seven voyages to the South Seas and the Indian Ocean. The Zheng He expeditions in the early fifteenth century contributed to the development of the Asian maritime world in which the Chinese diaspora was a key Asian component. The Europeans subsequently entered this maritime world and participated in its trade activities. All these developments contributed to many important aspects of interaction among the Asians themselves, including the Chinese, and between the Asians and the Europeans. There emerged, as a result, the convergence and mutual adaptations of the various civilizations.

The primary objective of the Conference is to address the multifaceted issues and to explore the long process of these interactions and the roles played by the Chinese overseas. It will trace both early and modern developments.

The Conference programme in English and Chinese comprises:

- a) Twenty three parallel sessions on the following topics:
- Zheng He voyages (one of the sessions is in Malay)
 - Assimilation, Integration and Chinese Organizations
 - Traditional Chinese Medicine
 - Businesses, Trade and Entrepreneurship
 - Culture (education, language, religion, gender issues)
 - Political Participation
 - Migration and Re-migration
 - Institutions, Libraries and Documentation
- b) Five public lectures on "Zheng He voyages / Maritime Asia / Chinese overseas" by the following renowned scholars:
- Prof Li Ming Huan, Xiamen University
 - Prof Evelyn Hu-DeHart, Brown University
 - Prof Roderich Ptak, Munich University
 - Prof Wu Jin, National Cheng Kung University
 - Prof Leonard Blussé, Leiden University



The Third International
Conference
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Singapore, 2005



"Maritime Asia and the Chinese Overseas (1405 - 2005)"

Patron and Keynote Speaker
BG George Yeo, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Singapore
Distinguished Advisor of Conference and HuayiNet
Prof. Wang Gungwu

Thursday 18 August to Saturday 20 August, 2005

RELC International Hotel
30 Orange Grove Road, Singapore 258352

Websites

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website: www.relich.com.sg

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Orchard Parade Hotel (5-minute walk to RELC)

Tanglin Road, Singapore 247905
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442 Orchard Road Singapore 238879
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5 Days/4 Nights Conference Package

Singapore: 17 - 21 August 2005

Programme at A Glance

Wed//17 Aug: Arrive Singapore

Transfer to selected hotel and check-in (4 Nights)

Half-day **Zheng He Highlights Tour**

Evening: *Optional Imperial Cheng Ho Dinner Cruise*

Thu//18 Aug: Registration for 3-Day Conference

Full-day Conference

Afternoon: *Lunch Talk by Eu Yan Sang*

Evening: *Welcome Dinner*

Fri//19 Aug: **Full-day Conference**

Evening: *Reception by courtesy of Ohio University Libraries*

Sat//20 Aug: Public Lectures

Evening: *Optional Tour to Chinatown Heritage Center inclusive dinner at Food Street*

Sun//21 Aug: Transfer to Changi International Airport

Depart Singapore

Conference Package Price

Single

Twin-share

1. RELC International Hotel

- Standard Room

S\$645

S\$525

- Executive Room

S\$840

S\$615

2. Orchard Parade Hotel

- Deluxe Room

S\$1065

S\$740

3. Orchard Hotel

- Superior Room

S\$1085

S\$740

Conference Package includes:

* 3-Day Conference Registration Fee

* 4 Nights Hotel accommodation at choice of hotel

* Daily American Breakfast in hotel

* Arrival/Departure Airport transfers

* Half-day Zheng He Highlights Tour

* 10% Service Charge, 1% Cess and 5% Goods & Services Tax

Optional Tours

Cost Per Person

1. Imperial Cheng Ho Dinner Cruise/Transfers

S\$64.00

2. Chinatown Heritage Center/Dinner

S\$45.00

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REGISTRATION FORM

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Country: _____ Postal Code: _____

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I wish to register for the Conference only.

I wish to book the Conference Package at the following Hotel:

(Please indicate your choice of hotel and room type ✓)

RELC International Hotel : Standard Room: OR Executive Room

Single Room Twin-share with _____

Orchard Parade Hotel : Deluxe Room

Single Room Twin-share with _____

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