



**WORKSHOP ON THE HERITAGE OF ANCIENT AND URBAN SITES:  
GIVING VOICE TO LOCAL PRIORITIES  
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ISEAS Seminar Rooms 1 & 2  
Singapore**

Opening of the “Archaeology Unit Gallery” at ISEAS Library

Guest of Honour: H.E. Tan Boun Suy

**Tan Boun Suy, Opening Speech, ISEAS Library Exhibit, 14 March 2016.**

Your Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are honored to be part of the ISEAS Library display opening.

Our cooperative projects and Field Schools with Singapore and ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute’s NSC have been highly successful.

They necessitate and promote local community inclusion and local voice--very much the theme of this conference.

They also serve as a successful example of regional cooperation involving ASEAN and EAS countries, especially the recent Field School at Koh Ker. This benefits all stakeholders.

As representatives of ASEAN countries here, I am confident all of us can build more partnership projects and successes; further strengthening meaningful, peaceful, and goal-oriented integration through our shared interests and respect for heritage and all concerned stakeholders, especially local communities. Their voices are not just important for each of our countries individually, but all of our countries together; important for all of ASEAN and beyond. Thank you.

To view pictures of opening ceremony, please click [here](#).