



THE ASIA RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND THE ASIA-EUROPE FOUNDATION
ARE PLEASED TO JOINTLY PRESENT A BOOK LAUNCH

***“The Impact of Ageing –
A Common Challenge for Europe
and Asia”***

By Dr Gabriele Sinigoj and Professor Gavin Jones

SYNOPSIS

In a rare European-Asian interdisciplinary collaboration, world-renowned experts present their fascinating findings on the “Impact of Ageing”. They draw our attention to the latest findings and data in demography, economy and society, law and social welfare, as well as biomedicine. A unique aspect of the book is its description of both mutuality and divergence in the progress of ageing in European and Asian populations that will transform the world in fundamental ways by 2050.

Demographic data provide us with important insights into the ratio of “young-old” to “old-old” and gendered aspects of ageing; we are drawn to the economic challenges of the biomedical leap of progress in restoring our impaired immune system, all to retard ageing and elongate our lifespan.

PROGRAMME

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| 4:00 pm | Registration |
| 4:30 pm | Welcome remarks
<i>Professor Kalyani K Mehta</i>
<i>Nominated Member of Parliament, Singapore</i> |
| 4:40 pm | Presentation by the editors
<i>Dr Gabriele Sinigoj and Professor Gavin Jones</i> |
| 4:50 pm | Discussion on the book “The Impact of Ageing-A Common Challenge for Europe and Asia” |
| 5:00 pm | Question & Answer Session |
| 5:10 pm | Book signing and Networking
Wine and Cheese will be served during the networking session |

VENUE **The Asia-Europe Foundation
31 Heng Mui Keng Terrace
Singapore 119595**

PROFILES

Dr Gabriele Sinigoj is a researcher in diplomatic history with former affiliations to the Departments of East Asian Studies, Political Science and Contemporary History at the University of Vienna in Austria. She has taught and lectured in the USA, Latin America, South and Southeast Asia. Her research focuses on the USA, Western Europe, India and parts of Southeast and East Asia.

Professor Gavin Jones, professor and research leader at the Asia Research Institute of the National University of Singapore, has worked in Demography and Sociology in the USA, Australia, Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia. He is well known for his writings on population trends in Asia, their determinants and consequences. His current research focuses on family change in Asia.

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