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Dear Editor,

I am pleased to inform you that the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF), in partnership with the United Nations University – Institute for Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), will organise the presentation of the findings of the **ASEM 2012 Outlook Report**, followed by a panel discussion on the future of the relations between Asia and Europe on **11 March 2013 at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand.**

Topic:	Asia-Europe Relations, 30 Years in the Future: Presentation of the Findings of the ASEM 2012 Outlook Report
Date:	Monday, 11 March 2013
Time:	3 pm – 5 pm
Keynote Speakers:	Assistant Prof. Charit TINGSABADH, Director of Centre for European Studies, Chulalongkorn University Mr Karsten WARNECKE, Deputy Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) Ambassador Sawanit KONGSIRI, Assistant Secretary General for External Relations, Thai Red Cross Society
Presenters/Panellists:	Ronan LENIHAN (ASEF), Luk van LANGENHOVE (UNU-CRIS), Chayodom SABHASRI (Chulalongkorn University), Simon Høiberg OLSEN (IGES), Vernon LEE (NUS), Richard WERLY (DiploFoundation), Seth VAN DOORN (Press Attaché, Delegation of the European Union to Thailand)
Venue:	Maha Chulalongkorn Building, Chulalongkorn University
Admission:	Free
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The ASEM Outlook Report 2012 examines both the current state of Asia-Europe relations and proposes possible future developments through the use of scenarios-based expert consultations. Following the presentation of the report, the panelists will share their views on the future trends and challenges that Asia and Europe are likely to face in each of the policy areas covered by the report.

I am pleased to invite you or your representative to attend the presentation and short reception afterwards.

If you or your representative would like to conduct an interview with any of the speakers, please contact our Press Manager, Ms Debasmita DASGUPTA (E: debasmita.dasgupta@gmail.com)

We are looking forward to seeing you.

With best regards
Ambassador ZHANG Yan
Executive Director

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