Asia-Europe Relations: 30 Years in the Future
Presentation of the ASEM Outlook Report 2012 findings
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Synopsis

On the occasion of the launch of the ASEM Outlook Report 2012, the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) and the United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS) will organise a discussion on the future of the relations between Asia and Europe. This event will be jointly hosted by the Faculty of Economics, the MA in European Studies programme and the Centre for European Studies of Chulalongkorn University, Thailand.

The report examines the current state of Asia-Europe relations and proposes possible future developments by employing a unique future scenario approach and focusing on four distinct policy areas (security and conflict management, economic and financial integration, environmental governance, and public health). Volume I of the two volume report provides the current context for Asia-Europe relations through statistical information on the political and socio-economic conditions in both regions. In addition, it explores the perceptions that each region has of the other. Volume II identifies emerging policy issues and future areas of cooperation in the four policy areas mentioned above.

Following the presentation of the findings of the report, a panel of experts will share their views on the future trends and challenges facing Asia and Europe in each of the policy areas covered by the report. The event will be followed by a short reception.

Venue

Maha Chulalongkorn Building, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand

Programme

14:45    Registration

15:00    Opening and Welcome Remarks
Asst. Prof. Charit TINGSABADH, Ph.D.
Director, Centre for European Studies, Chulalongkorn University

Mr Karsten WARNECKE
Deputy Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

Ambassador Sawanit KONGSIRI
ASEF Governor for Thailand

15:20    Presentation of ASEM Outlook Report 2012
Mr Ronan LENIHAN
Project Executive, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

Dr Luk VAN LANGENHOVE
Director, United Nations University – Institute for Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS)
Asia and Europe: A shared future and the way forward
Panel discussion with Q&A

Moderator:
Dr Luk VAN LANGENHOVE

Speakers:
Assoc. Prof. Chayodom SABHASRI, Ph.D.
Dean, Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University
Advisor to the Board of Directors of the MA in European Studies Programme

Mr Simon Høiberg OLSEN
Policy Researcher, Governance and Capacity Team, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies

Dr Vernon LEE
Adjunct Associate Professor, National University of Singapore

Mr Richard WERLY
Brussels-based correspondent, Diplo Foundation fellow on EU/NATO affairs

Mr Seth VAN DOORN
Press Attaché, Delegation of the European Union to Thailand

Closing Remarks and Reception

Mr Karsten WARNECKE
Deputy Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

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