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STRATEGIES FOR BETTER BALANCED MOBILITY BETWEEN ASIA-EUROPE: AEI- ASEM SUMMER SCHOOL

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ASIA-EUROPE INSTITUTE

- Established under the provisions of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) initiative in 1996.
- Established the Asia-Europe Centre (ASC) in 1997.
- Upgrade to an institute in 2000
- Renamed Asia-Europe Institute (AEI).
- Focus on post-graduate studies and research in Asia and Europe specializing in regionalism and inter-regional relations between the two.

The AEI-ASEM Summer School

- An on-going initiative to enhance balanced mobility of students, researchers and academics between Asia and Europe (ASEMME4).

For every 15 students and academics going to Europe for education, only one

European comes to Asia

- Objective is to bring more European students to Asia
- Promoting **Balanced Mobility**



ASEM AND 'BALANCED MOBILITY'



- The 4th ASEM meeting of Ministers for Education (ASEMME4) held in Kuala Lumpur on 12th – 14th May 2013 and the Ministers agreed as follow:

“welcomed the willingness of Malaysia and its Asia-Europe Institute at the University of Malaya to develop - in cooperation with other interested ASEM members, a strategy for a better balancing mobility for ASEMME5 in Latvia. The strategy will include proposals for concrete activities to overcome the imbalance in mobility between Asia and Europe”

- The proposal was presented at ASEMME5 at Riga, Latvia and Ministers agreed as follow:

“.....supported the Proposal of Malaysia and the Asia-Europe Institute (AEI) to organise AEI-ASEM Summer Camps (AEI-ASC). The Ministers encouraged the delegates of ASEM Member Countries to nominate and sponsor their national participants to the AEI-ASC Pilot Project, to be held on 2 - 16 August 2015 in Malaysia, aimed to foster better balanced mobility of students, academicians and researchers between Asia and Europe”

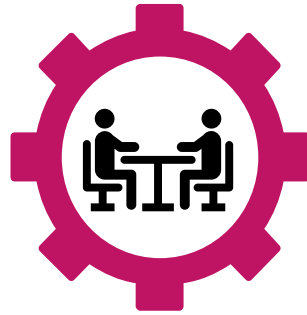


AIMS OF AEI-ASEM SUMMER SCHOOL



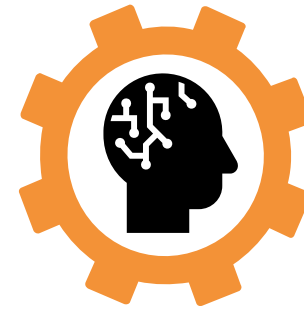
Participate

To increase participants from European countries



Collaborate

More collaborations from European institutions



Expertise

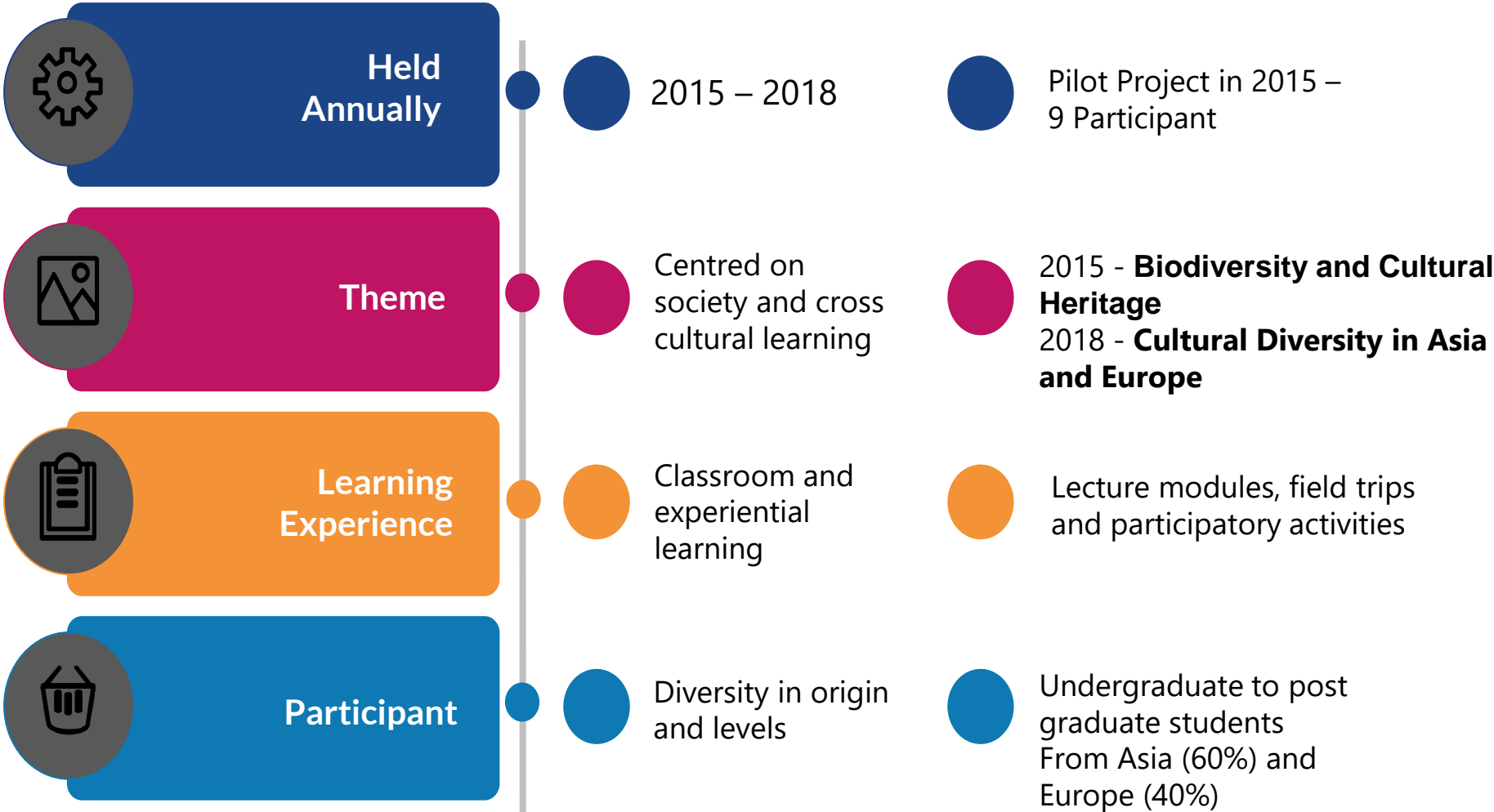
Invite more experts to be part of the programme



Asia-Europe

Invite Asian and European countries to co-host the summer school with Malaysia

REFLECTION OF PREVIOUS SUMMMER SCHOOLS



PARTICIPANTS' TESTIMONIES (2015)...



*"... being a group of 9 people brought enrichment instead of impoverishment, because we really stuck together and **created life-long relationships, teaching each other about our cultural backgrounds and sharing our interests and dreams.** I really treasured the conversation and discussions held to improve a project that was perfect with its imperfections."*

- Noemi Spatola, ITALY

" As a biologist, I would say that I expected more on the biodiversity modules because I know there are still more that Malaysia can offer. Culturally, I was very refreshed after each experience. As a Filipino Catholic, it was enlightening to be exposed to a lot of Muslim culture, since I am seldom exposed to it back home.

***I gained a new appreciation towards Muslim culture. And the best part was gaining new friends from the camp and eating a lot of delicious spicy Malaysian food.** I will definitely recommend this to all my colleagues next year. "*

-Manuel Eduardo De La Paz, PHILIPPINES



*" We definitely didn't just learn about biodiversity and cultural heritage, but we also learned about how to be a good leader by exercising soft skills . We also visited some amazing places in Malaysia like Putrajaya, Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM), Melaka, and so on. **It was a great opportunity to learn about the richness and diversity of Asian culture.** "*

- Vira Maulina, INDONESIA

PARTICIPANTS' TESTIMONIES (2017)...



"What an incredible two weeks! I have made some incredible friends and met some frankly fascinating people. Malaysia is a beautiful country that I luckily have not left quite yet. It has such a rich past and present that I am so fortunate to have had the chance to learn about and experience. So many insightful lectures, field trips, and of course the two day Asia Europe conference, have given me much food for thought (and perhaps some inspiration for my thesis!!!)"

- Antonia Gough, British-



"AEI-ASEM Summer School gives me opportunity not only to learn serious stuff such as regionalism and multiculturalism, but also gives me the opportunity to understand the people. The friendship that is created by this event would last a lifetime!"

-Ghifari Athallah Ramadhan, Indonesia-



"There are experiences which happen once in a lifetime but they are so unique that they leave a lasting mark on you. The Summer school both in Kuala Lumpur and Brussels was one of them for me because of the incredible opportunity to meet passionate young people full of ideas from all over the world and to spend three unforgettable weeks with them exploring the peculiarities of the European and South-East Asian culture, historical heritage and, of course, delicious cuisine. Those were three rewarding and personally enriching weeks for me during which not only did I learn a lot thanks to the diverse academic lectures but also through peer-to-peer sharing and experiencing for myself the differences and similarities between the Malaysian and Belgium multicultural societies".

- Yordanka Vasileva Dimcheva, Bulgaria-

Some Activities Carried Out



Collaboration Effort

- Began in 2017
 - Maastricht University Brussels.





2020-2021

Adapting to Covid-19 Challenges

Switched to Online Platform

Increased Collaborative Effort

Larger Participation Size due to online



The Asia-Europe Institute (AEI) and Trinity College Dublin (TCD) - ASEM

Online Summer School 2020

14th September – 18th September 2020 @ 4pm-6pm (Malaysia Time) / 9am-11am (Irish Standard Time)

Theme: Multiculturalism in Asia and Europe: Issues and Challenges

Speakers



Registration is now open!

256 participants
- 143 Zoom
- 113 YouTube

8 LECTURE
MODULES - Online
Lecture



ASEAN: The Past, Present and Future	Religious Pluralism in Asia
The Evolution of the European Idea: The Collapse of the Austro- Hungarian Empire in Central Europe	Religious Pluralism in Europe
Multilingualism in ASEAN	Crisis-Migration in Asia
Multilingualism in Europe	Ireland's Successful Bid to Join the UN Security Council for the 2021-22 Term

AEI-ASEM SUMMER SCHOOL 2021

THEME: PEOPLE AND EMPOWERMENT

Date: 12-15 July, 2021

Time: 3-5 pm Malaysia / 2-4pm Indonesia /
9-11 am Germany

Register to receive Zoom link: <http://bit.ly/aass21>



FRIAS



238 Participants
68 Participated
for all Modules
over 4 days

12 Lecture
Modules

Human Security and Development

Engaging Human Development: A Perspective from ASEAN – *Dr. Nurliana Kamaruddin, AEI, Universiti Malaya*

Human Security in ASEAN - *Dr. Arfin Sudirman, Universitas Padjadjaran*

Alternative Regionalism? Securing the Regional Representation of Socially Disadvantaged Groups in Southeast Asia and Europe - *Professor Dr. Jürgen Rüland, FRIAS alumnus, University of Freiburg*

Labour Issues

Empowerment of Disadvantaged Workers in Asia - *Associate Professor Dr Fumitaka Furuoka, AEI, Universiti Malaya*

Industrial Shifts and Workers Well-Being, A Sociological Perspective - *Professor Dr. Bambang Shergi Laksono, Universitas Indonesia*

Employment Policy for Vulnerable People: How to Strengthen Empowerment? Concepts and Experiences from Germany - *Professor Dr. Georg Cremer, University of Freiburg*

Migration Issues

Crisis Migration in Asia: A Case Study of ASEAN - *Dr Rahul Mishra, AEI, Universiti Malaya*

Civil - Military Relation and the Migration Crisis in ASEAN - *Dr. Yusa Djuyandi, Universitas Padjadjaran*

Migration Policies in the EU - *Assistant Professor Dr Laura Renner, University of Freiburg*

People and Information Technology

Empowering Citizens through Cyber Resilience: The Shared Role of ASEAN - *Associate Professor Dr. Sameer Kumar, AEI, Universiti Malaya*

Connecting the Unconnected: Challenges and Prospects of Rural ICT Development in Asia - *Dr. Ida Widianingsih, Universitas Padjadjaran*

Trends and Challenges Concerning Cybersecurity in the EU - *Professor Dr. Lorena Bachmaier Winter (FRIAS alumna; Complutense University of Madrid, Spain)*

Moving Forward



2022 – Planned for Physical Summer School



In Conversation with Aschaffenburg University of Applied Sciences

1 week in Malaysia 1 week in Germany



Thank You