Bridging Diverse Cultures Towards an Inclusive Asia Pacific Community

2016 EWC/EWCA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

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Aloha! And here in the Philippines, Mabuhay!

We welcome all of you to the 2016 EWC/EWCA International Conference on “Bridging Diverse Cultures Towards an Inclusive Asia Pacific Community,” a momentous event for us all.

It is highly opportune for the Philippines to host our conference this year. Throughout 2015, Filipinos hosted scores of meetings for the various fora of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) organization. The theme of APEC 2015 was on “Building Inclusive Economies, Building A Better World: A Vision for an Asia Pacific Community.” What a great coincidence!

Among the substantial issues arising from their meetings, the 21 APEC Leaders zeroed in on a 6-point agenda: (1) building inclusive economies; (2) fostering micro, small and medium enterprises’ participation in regional and global markets; (3) building sustainable and resilient communities; (4) investing in human capital development; (5) enhancing the regional economic integration; and (6) strengthening collaboration.

Indeed, APEC had a largely economic development agenda. We hope to complement this by exploring other dimensions of an inclusive Asia Pacific community during our conference. We look forward to sharing ideas on how we as citizens within the Asia Pacific region may help to advance regional integration and to attain shared prosperity in light of the diversity of our various cultures.

On behalf of the hosting Philippine Chapter, we hope that all of you may discover more about the Philippines, its hospitable and kind people, its many attractive places, and much more. At the same time there may be some inconveniences: traffic congestion in various parts of the city continues. We gather here at a time when the government is upgrading the infrastructure to accommodate a growing mega Manila with a population of about 25 million. The Philippines is among the fastest growing economies in Asia. Despite these “growing pains,” we are confident you will discover that indeed “It’s more fun in the Philippines.”

The Philippine Chapter is justly proud of hosting the 2016 EWC/EWCA International Conference, and we thank them for all their creativity and energy. It is a first for the country. With ardent hope, the organizers see our conference as a good reason for holding other prestigious conferences here in the future.

Exactly one year ago today, the Philippines hosted another momentous event: the visit of His Holiness Pope Francis. It was memorable for Filipinos, 80 percent of whom are devout Roman Catholics. Throughout the 5-day visit, Pope Francis exhorted Filipinos (and the world) that regardless of our diversity it is important to include the marginalized members of our respective societies in our collective march towards shared prosperity, peace, and unity within the Asia Pacific region. We join with that wish and hope as well.

E komo mai and maligayang pagdating sa Pilipinas, fellow EWC Alumni and Conference participants!

RAMON L. CLARETE (EWC 1980-83)
Conference Co-chair
President, EWCA Philippine Chapter

RICARDO D. TRIMILLOS (EWC 1962-64)
Conference Co-chair
Immediate Past President, EWCA Executive Board
Dear East-West Center Alumni and Friends,

Welcome to the EWC/EWCA International Conference in Manila.

We at the East-West Center are very grateful to our Philippines alumni, friends, and supporters for organizing in such a short time this wonderful opportunity to reconnect with each other, to update ourselves about the new activities of the Center, to learn from each other about issues of common and critical concern to our region, and to better appreciate our host country and city.

I am particularly appreciative of the emphasis that our alumni have placed on diversity and inclusivity in organizing this conference. Our meeting falls in the wake of the successful hosting of APEC by the Philippines in November 2015. The emphasis of that APEC meeting was on inclusive, sustainable development, and our conference is likewise titled “Bridging Diverse Cultures Towards an Inclusive Asia-Pacific Community.”

Inclusiveness is a key emphasis of our time, and I believe we can think of it in at least two senses. First, the Asia-Pacific community that we’re striving to achieve should be sensitive to and provide opportunities for everyone in our region regardless of country, gender, ethnicity, social class, or religious belief. To date, so many of the benefits of regionalization and globalization have gone to a relatively few who are best prepared to take advantage of them. In this sense, inclusiveness requires us to be proactive in ensuring that our activities have broad impact in our societies and to help overcome inequities by providing opportunity to benefit for all.

Second, our Asia-Pacific community needs to interact and cooperate with those outside the region. Increasingly, the countries of Asia and the Pacific are being called upon to provide global leadership, and we can only be effective in doing so if we understand the needs, sensitivities, and cultures of those in other parts of the world.

The East-West Center seeks to be inclusive in both of these senses. We believe that our work in education, exchanges, and research on key, cutting edge issues needs to be inclusive and to address issues of inclusivity. And in a geographical sense, also, we seek to broaden our reach. While maintaining a basic Asia-Pacific footprint, we welcome participation from those outside our region because we need to be informed by voices from a global perspective.

Our conference is a wonderful example of this. We have a comprehensive agenda of presentations on critical issues from diverse and highly knowledgeable participants, and your engagement, whether as presenters, discussants or commentators from the audience, is a valuable contribution. And, as always, informal interaction in the corridors, at meals, or outside the conference itself always adds immeasurably to the enjoyment and benefit from coming together.

I sincerely hope that you’ll find these few days together stimulating, informative and fun. Please know that the Center is deeply grateful for your continued engagement and vital contribution toward a peaceful, prosperous and inclusive region.

Aloha,

Charles E. Morrison
President, East-West Center
Aloha Kakou,

Once again we look forward to welcoming our East-West Center alumni to our bi-annual conference. This year we are excited that we are meeting in Manila. For some of us this is a first time visit and for others they are veteran travelers and can show the rest of us the ropes. Regardless, we look forward to renewing old friendships and making new acquaintances. Together we share so many common experiences and values, and it is this fellowship that makes these EWCA conferences so enjoyable.

The Philippine Chapter of the EWCA has been hard at work to make this a most memorable and pleasant conference. We would like to mention Ramon Clarete and his steering committee for the endless hours they have spent to assure all of us both a safe and stimulating visit to Manila. In Honolulu, Ric Trimillos and Noreen Tanouye have devoted their heart and soul to seeing our Manila conference is a success. The Philippine Chapter has also arranged for a number of optional post-conference tours that will take us out of Manila and into the Philippines’ heartland. We hope that you will be able to take advantage of some of these experiences.

This year, the East-West Center is in a period of transition as our current president, Charles E. Morrison, is retiring after eighteen years of service. The Board of Governors is overseeing the search for a new president and solicits recommendations especially from our alumni. Our alumni, as we have noted in the past, includes over 62,000 people from across the Asia Pacific region. Many are leaders in their country, and all of us have benefited in one way or another by our affiliation with the East-West Center. Through this conference we can learn not only more about ourselves but also new perspectives on a whole range of subjects. And of course, one additional highpoint is we will be gaining a deeper appreciation for the cultures of the Philippines. Please enjoy yourselves and of course remember we hope to see you soon in Honolulu or in two years at our next conference venue.

Aloha e pumehana,

EDWARD (NED) J. SHULTZ (1969-71)
President, East-West Center Association

NIREDRA MASKE (1966-68)
Chair, East-West Center Association
# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE MANILA HOTEL

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## Conference Schedule Overview

### 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
- **Plenary Session 1**
  - The Impact of Media and Technology on Building Communities
  - **CENTENNIAL HALL**

### 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
- **Welcome Reception**
  - Pandanggo/Polkalbal Ballroom
  - *Co-hosted by the Philippine Department of Tourism and the University of Hawai‘i*

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  - Promoting a Culture of Peace
  - **CENTENNIAL HALL**

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  - Thinking Regionally
  - **CENTENNIAL HALL**

### 10:00 am – 10:30 am
- Morning Coffee/Tea Break and Poster Exhibit
  - **CENTENNIAL HALL**

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**MONDAY, JANUARY 18**

Optional Post Conference Tours
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14
PRE-CONFERENCE DAY

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Joint Hotel Check-in and Early Conference Registration
ROMA SALON

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Secretariat Room open
APITONG

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

7:00 am – 5:00 pm
Registration Check-in and Information Desk open
VESTIBULE LEADING TO THE CENTENNIAL HALL

8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Secretariat Room open
APITONG

8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Hospitality Room open
KAMAGONG

8:30 am – 10:00 am
Opening Ceremony
CENTENNIAL HALL

10:00 am – 10:30 am
Morning Coffee/Tea Break
CENTENNIAL HALL

10:30 am – 11:00 am
EWC in Retrospect
CENTENNIAL HALL

Dr. Charles E. Morrison
President, East-West Center

11:00 am – 12 noon
Cultural Workshops
Choose from the two workshops offered

Workshop 1: Philippine Dances
POLKABAL BALLROOM

Workshop conducted by:
Professor Lalaine Juarez-Pereña
College of Human Kinetics
University of the Philippines, Diliman

The dances of the Philippines are as diverse as its people. From northern to southern Philippines, its immense dance repertoire substantiates the multiplicity of the people’s beliefs, values and sensitivities. Filipinos dance to celebrate every occasion in their lives – in thanksgiving, in supplication, in adoration, in commemoration, to express joy and sadness, and to simply feast!

The demo-lecture will focus on three of the more popular Filipino dances. The first is Sakuting from the province of Abra in northern Philippines. It is a dance performed during the Christmas season, when dancers perform in the town plaza to entertain people. As a token of their appreciation, the spectators gift the dancers with various things that include money and foodstuff.

The second dance comes from rural Samar in the Visayan Islands. It is called Itik-Itik, a mimetic dance that copies the movements of ducks. The final dance is the courtship dance called Daling-Daling from Jolo, Sulu in southern Philippines. It is usually performed by dancers holding a fan each, and to live singing.

Workshop 2: Philippine Instruments
PANDANGGO BALLROOM

Workshop conducted by:
Professor Pedro R. Abraham, Jr.
Department of Art Studies, College of Arts and Letters
University of the Philippines, Diliman

Prof. Abraham founded the Kontemporaryong Gamelan Filipino, more popularly known as Kontra-GaPi in 1989 when he was commissioned to write a score for the Filipino translation of “A Dream Play” by August Strindberg that must be distinctly Filipino and Asian.

Kontra-GaPi uses ideophones such as the kulintang, gangs, tongatong and kalutang; chordophones like the hegamong, kulibet,gitgit and kuritang; aerophones such as the diwindw-as, esmi, tonggali and suling; and membranophones like the debakan, solibaw and Cordilleran drums of varying sizes and shapes. There are, too, quaint pieces like the kuribaw or mouth harp and the tambi or zither-drum in a store of over a thousand instruments. A performance by the Kontra-GaPi is an event where the artists in turn sing,
dance, mime and play as many as ten instruments each. This total-theater approach also takes in the audience not as a conventional crowd but as an essential participant in the creative process, transforming the occasion into a unity—a tribe, as it were, in a participative ritual.

The demo-lecture will feature 5 instruments from the Cordilleras and 5 from Mindanao.

12 noon – 1:30 pm
Networking Lunch
CENTENNIAL HALL

Roll Call of Conference Delegates and EWCA Report
Edward (Ned) Shultz
President, EWC Association Executive Board

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm
Concurrent Panel Sessions 1

1.1 Asia - Seeking Harmony Through Shared Cultural and Religious Values
ROMA SALON

CHAIR/MODERATOR
IRID FARIDA AGOES
EWCA Board Member, Indonesia

PANELISTS
World Interfaith Harmony: Perspective on Buddhist and Won Buddhist Doctrine
JEIK HYUN
Researcher, School of Buddhist Studies & Civilization, Gautam Buddha University, India

Motifs in Clothing Design: Comparison of Chinese and Japanese
SHU-HWA LIN
Associate Professor and Costume Museum Curator, Department of Family & Consumer Sciences, Fashion Design & Merchandising, University of Hawai‘i at Manoa, USA

Global Peace Making Through Technology: Sakyadhita and Its Cloud-Networking
YU-LING (CHRISTIE) CHANG
Resident Director, CIEE (Council on International Educational Exchange), Taiwan & Canada

Culture Speaks Better Than Politics
ARFA SAYEDA ZEHRA
Professor, Forman Christian College, Pakistan

1.2 Contemporary Development Challenges in the Pacific Islands and Beyond
CHAMPAGNE SALON

CHAIR/MODERATOR
NANCY LEWIS
Director, Research Program, East-West Center, USA

PANELISTS
Asia’s Economic Emergence – Opportunities and Challenges for Pacific Economies
CHRISTOPHER EDMONDS
Senior Economist, Pacific Department, Asian Development Bank, and Editor-in Chief for Pacific Economic Monitor

Mind WSH Gap: Challenges in Completing the MDG and Addressing the SDG Agenda
ALEXANDER VON HILDEBRAND
Programme Manager, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Health and the Environment, World Health Organization, Manila

Adapting to Climate Change in the Pacific Islands: Global Politics and Local Practice
LAURA BREWINGTON
Fellow/ Program Manager, Pacific RISA, East-West Center, USA

In September the United Nations will adopt the 17 New Sustainable Development Goals, launching a new Sustainable Development Agenda underscoring the imperative for equitable and just sustainable development. Small island states, and the archipelagic nations of Southeast Asia, face some shared challenges related to geological, geographic, economic and environmental factors as well as a changing climate. The panelists will discuss some of these pressing issues with a view to enhancing understanding and sharing best practices for the future.

1.3 The EWC Arts Program: Recent Initiatives
SAMPAGUITA HALL A

CHAIR/MODERATOR
ERIC CHANG
Coordinator, Arts Program, East-West Center, USA

SPEAKER
PAUL ALEXANDER MORALES
Artistic Director, Ballet Philippines, Philippines

Recent performances, exhibitions, lectures, festivals, and artists’ residencies organized and sponsored by the East-West Center are testament to the institution’s mandate to serve as a “Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange between East and West.” These cultural programs, rather than presenting “art for art’s sake,” enlighten the viewers, audience members, and participants to the cultures and values of the Asia Pacific region. The programs and
residencies enrich the greater community, including EWC students, primary through university students, and senior citizens. Recently, emphasis has been placed on reaching out to Hawaii’s schools, neighbor islands, and other parts of the U.S.; new educational outreach activities include exhibition tours and teacher workshops. Recent EWC Gallery exhibits include: “Colorful Stories: Indian Folk Paintings,” “Mountain Minorities: Tamang and Rai Cultures of Nepal,” “A Common Thread: Textiles from the Permanent Collection,” and “Parsi Silk & Muslin from Iran, India, and China.” In addition, recent performance projects have featured Javanese dance, Chinese traditional and contemporary music, music of Nepal, and the Asia Pacific Dance Festival—an ambitious biennial project highlighting dance across the region, which most recently included Ballet Philippines as guest artists. The session will feature numerous photographs, audio, and video examples.

1.4 Economic Cooperation and Resources
SAMPAGUITA HALL B

CHAIR/MODERATOR
CHARLES B. SALMON
Ambassador (ret), USA

PANELISTS
Pakistan-India River Water Dispute
ZULFIQAR MEHTO
Head of Special Projects, Dunya News TV Channel, Pakistan

EWC Scientists: Addressing Food Security
DELIA RODRIGUEZ-AMAYA
President, International Academy of Food Science and Technology, Brazil

Evaluating Impacts of Economic Corridors in GMS: Three Approaches
MANABU FUJIMURA
Professor, Aoyama Gakuin University, Japan

An Agent-Based Model of Poverty Incidence in Pasay City
LEOREY MARQUEZ
Senior Research Scientist, CSIRO, Australia
(co-authors ARIEL BLANCO, JOHN HENRY ORNOS, ELAINE ROBLES, and MARIA MARQUEZ)

1.5 Education Past and Future
SAMPAGUITA HALL C

CHAIR/MODERATOR
KAREN NUNAN
EWCA Board Member, Australia/USA

PANELISTS
Looking through the Eyes of Educator Dr. Victor M. Ordonez
REGINA ORDONEZ
President, Victor M. Ordonez Fides, Inc., Philippines

Revisiting Okinawa After 70 Years: Retracing a Sad Reality
JESSICA SHEETZ-NGUYEN
Professor of History, University of Central Oklahoma, USA

Networked Interactive Crystallography Education: A Grassroots Approach to Remote Teaching
GLENN P. A. YAP
Asst. Professor & Crystallographer, Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry, University of Delaware, USA
(co-author PATRICK K. LIM)

Professional Development School Experiences and Culturally Responsive Teaching
REBECCA MCMULLEN
Associate Professor, Georgia College, USA
JOSEPH PETERS
Dean of Education, Georgia College, USA
(co-author DARLENE PETERS)

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Afternoon Coffee/Tea Break and Poster Presentations
CENTENNIAL HALL
Poster presenters will be present

Matriculation Pass-rate in Rakhine State (2002-12)
CHO CHO YEE
Managing Director of Kyaw Summit Tour and Travels and Program Manager of EQUITY NGO, Myanmar
(co-author AYE AYE KHINE)

Interventions in Target Philippine Hospitals/Health Centers
ERLINDA L.T. DEMETIERO
Director, Ship 2PH-C.U.R.E., Project C.U.R.E., USA
(co-authors EARL C. VIERNES, CORAZON CABLao and LOURDES AMASUAL)
Building from the theme, “Bridging Diverse Cultures towards an Inclusive Asia Pacific Community”, the proposed topic revolves around the impact of technology and media in building communities. The key play here is to make the topic broad enough to allow a free-flowing discussion among different media experts of different backgrounds and technology biases — but with a clincher that media not just bridges -- but builds.

The role of media in our lives cannot be understated. With news and information consumption now higher than ever - from Print to TV to the Internet, to smart phones - our access to more playgrounds of discussion has helped bridge ideas from all over the world, and seemingly created a far smaller community. But with media and technology changing lives from East-West with every story, how does it see itself in building communities? Does it actually build a more inclusive community or disenfranchise some voices from some segments of population? How does it promote a plurality and a diversity of Point-of-views?
Since the program’s creation and implementation in 2000, hundreds of students have completed the APLP. As we welcome the 15th generation of the Asia Pacific Leadership Program to the East West Center in the Fall of 2015, we are able to see what an evolution this program has gone through. This panel will highlight major turning points in the program’s history and showcase pivotal student experiences during the program in 15 generations. This panel will also touch upon how APLP has impacted the lives of participants as well as staff and provide an update as to where participants are, post-program. Lastly, we hope to contribute to the discussion as to the legacy of the program both tangible, such as the Nainoa Thompson Scholarship Fund and the Mentor Program, as well as the intangible, such as fostering a global professional network and lasting cross-cultural friendships.

2.2 Building Disaster Resilience and Response
ROMA SALON

CHAIR/MODERATOR
VICKI SHAMBAUGH
Exec. Director, Director R&D, Pacific Health Research and Education Institute, USA

PANELISTS
A Collaborative Approach to Post-earthquake Rebuilding in Nepal
BHISHNA BAJRACHARYA
Associate Professor of Urban Planning, Bond University, Australia
EDILYN BAJRACHARYA
Senior Advisor, Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads, Australia

Community Empowerment Issues in Mount Merapi Disaster Site
AHMAD SABIQ
Vice Dean of Student and Alumni Affairs, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Jenderal Soedirman University, Indonesia (co-authors MASRUKIN, TOTO SUGITO, BAMBANG SUSWANTO, and ADHI IMAN SULAIMAN)
Creating ‘Asian Awareness’ in the Global Workplace: Role of Multi-Cultural Literature
ROCHELLE ALMEIDA
Professor, New York University, USA

The Diverse Culture of Dunhuang and Its Teaching for Education Today
LU LENG
Assistant Professor, Guangzhou University, China

Illuminating Asian and Pacific Voices: Empowering College Students Through Violence Prevention Work
CHRISTINE QUEMUEL
Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor for Diversity, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, USA

2.5 Ethnicity, Identity, and Nationalism
SAMPAGUITA HALL B
CHAIR/MODERATOR
MICHAEL ANDERSON
Retired US Dept. of State Foreign Service Officer, USA

PANELISTS
U.S. Asian Diasporas in Movements for Korean and Indian Independence
JANE HONG
Assistant Professor of History, Occidental College, USA

Emergent Narratives of the Anak Ng OFWs on Their Self-Perceived Identity
MARY JANNETTE PINZON
Associate Professor, Department of Speech Communication and Theatre Arts, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Philippines

Indigenizing the Museum
HEATHER DIAMOND
Lecturer, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, USA

Ethical Dilemma and College Youth Attitudes towards Advertisements
TAMIL CHELLVAN
Faculty of Business, Communication and Law, INTI International University, Malaysia

2.6 Neuroplasticity-based Sports: Converging & Synergizing East & West Paradigms
SAMPAGUITA HALL C
CHAIR/MODERATOR
JUSUF SUTANTO
Lecturer, Faculty of Psychology, University of Pancasila, Indonesia

PANELISTS
SARLITO SARWONO
Dean, Faculty of Psychology, Persada Indonesia University, Indonesia

RONNY ADHIKARYA
Retiree, The World Bank and United Nations/FAO Representative, Rome-Italy, USA

MARGARITA M. MARAMIS
Lecturer and Psychiatrist, Indonesia Neuroscience Society and University of Airlangga, Indonesia

MARTINA W. SETIAWAN
Psychiatrist, University of Indonesia, Indonesia

SUZY YUSNA DEWI
Chief of Training and Education in Hospital, Soeharto Herdjan Hospital, Indonesia

TONY SETIABUDHI
Board Member of the Foundation, Trisakti University, Indonesia

Competitive sports, since the 776 BC Olympics, have demanded rigorous training to become Citius/Faster, Altius/Higher, and Fortius/Stronger, with the goal of being a champion. However, Eastern non-competitive sports, such as Tai Chi, promotes low-impact, slow motion exercise, controlling and synergizing emotions and thoughts through mindful breathing, is in harmony with the universe is safe for all ages, at all fitness level, ensuring health and active ageing.

The “Brain Decade” of the 21st century demonstrates the synaptic and non-synaptic plasticity of the brain can continue to grow if given appropriate stimuli, since it is not static as earlier thought. Such neuroplasticity-based sports include exercises, folk dances and music like “Poco-Poco”, Saman, Mocopat, Angklung (Indonesia), the Hula (Hawaii), and many others from the Asia Pacific region. These two schools of thought--West and East--should be integrated and synergized for further advancement and enrichment of human civilization.
12:30 pm
Half-Day Tours
(included in the registration fee)

For those taking the Old Manila and Contemporary Manila Tours
12:30 pm   Lunch at Centennial Hall
1:15 pm   Assemble at The Manila Hotel Lobby
1:30 pm   Depart for Tour
7:00 pm   Arrival from Tour
   Evening is free

For those taking the Science and Academe Tour
12:45 pm   Assemble at the Manila Hotel Lobby
1:00 pm   Depart for Tour
   (Lunch boxes will be distributed onboard)
10:00 pm   Arrival from Tour

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Secretariat Room open
APITONG

8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Hospitality Room open
KAMAGONG

8:30 am – 10:00 am
Plenary Session 3 – Thinking Regionally
CENTENNIAL HALL

CHAIR/MODERATOR
RICHARD VUYLSTEKE
President, American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

PANELISTS
Regional Collaboration in Providing ICT Solutions for Rural Development
KAHRUDDIN AB HAMID
Vice Chancellor, University Malaysia of Computer Science and Engineering, Malaysia

Opportunities and Challenges Facing Asia-Pacific in Linking Connectivity and Development
YUMIKO OKAMOTO
Professor, Faculty of Policy Studies, Doshisha University, Japan

ASEAN Economic Regionalism: From Japan’s Embrace to China’s Embrace?
SITI DAULAH KHOIRIATI
Lecturer, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia

10:00 am – 10:30 am
Morning Coffee/Tea Break and Poster Exhibit
CENTENNIAL HALL

10:30 am – 12 noon
Concurrent Panel Sessions 3

3.1 Public-Private Partnerships in Times of Disaster
ROMA SALON

CHAIR/MODERATOR
AMY AGBAYANI
Program Director, University of Hawai‘i, USA

PANELISTS
JON MATSUOKA
President, Consuelo Foundation, Philippines/USA

CARMELA ANDAL-CASTRO
Managing Director, Consuelo Foundation, Philippines

NICANOR O. TORRE
Director for Programs, Consuelo Foundation, Philippines

DANIEL Z. URQUICO
Chief Innovation Officer, Consuelo Foundation, Philippines

Consuelo Foundation is a private foundation that was founded by the late Doña Consuelo Zobel de Ayala Alger in 1988. Since then, it has been supporting and operating programs in the Philippines and in Hawaii that promote the wellbeing of children and preventing their abuse, neglect and exploitation.

When supertyphoon Haiyan struck the Philippines on November 2013, the Foundation mobilized its resources and network to join in the rebuilding of cities and towns badly hit by Haiyan.

In this session, key officers of the Foundation will talk about their experience and learnings from the field and how developing partnerships with the public and private sector became a pivotal strategy in their implementation of Project H.O.P.E. (Haiyan Operations for Protection and Empowerment).

3.2 Democratic Governance Challenges in Asia-Pacific
CHAMPAGNE SALON

CHAIR/MODERATOR
NANCY LEWIS
Director, Research Program, East-West Center, USA

PANELISTS
Role of Media in Promoting Democracy in Pakistan
SHABBIR CHEEMA
Senior Fellow, Research Program, East-West Center, USA
Regional Economic Development in Western Java Before and After Decentralization and Proliferation
WILMAR SALIM
Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Regional and City Planning, Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia
(co-author UL Y FAOZIYAH)

Malaysia: A Roller-Coaster in Democratic Governance
PUSHPA THAMBIPILLAI
Associate Fellow, ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore

Governance in the Pacific Islands and the U.S. Pivot to Asia-Pacific
GERARD A. FININ
Co-Director, Pacific Islands Development Program, East-West Center, USA

Participatory Planning and Budgeting in the Philippines
FRANCISCO A. MAGNO
Director, Jesse M. Robredo Institute of Governance, De La Salle University, Philippines

This panel discusses emerging trends and challenges in promoting democratic governance in Asia-Pacific, including political and fiscal decentralization, participatory tools and methods, the role of media in deepening democracy, competition among political parties and accountability and transparency. It examines the cases of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Pakistan and the Pacific Islands.

3.3 Discussion Session - Proposal for Asia Pacific Center (APC) in Okinawa
SAMPAGUITA HALL A

CHAIR/MODERATOR
KIYOSHI NAKACHI
Professor, Osaka University, Japan

PANELISTS
Okinawa is the Best Place for Asia-Pacific Center (APC) in Okinawa
KIYOSHI NAKACHI
Professor, Osaka University, Japan

Learning from the EWC Experiences: In Consideration of its Function in the Asia Pacific Region
MOMOYO SHIBUYA
Associate Professor, Saitama University, Japan

Conflict Prevention Dialogue at Asia-Pacific Center of Okinawa
TERUYUKI KUME
Former Professor, Rikkyo University, Japan

Prospects of APC-Okinawa toward Sustainable Development and Peace
TOSHIKO KOBAYASHI
Professor Emeritus, The Graduate University for Advanced Studies (SOKENDAI), Japan

There are still many difficult issues in the global age today. The organization and functions of the East-West Center are still very important today. Since we introduced the idea of International organization for solving the conflicts in the 2014 EWCA Okinawa Conference, we studied to establish the APC in Okinawa. The purpose of the panel is to report a semi-final report to the Manila conference.

3.4 Facilitating Cultural Flows and Exchanges
SAMPAGUITA HALL B

CHAIR/MODERATOR
TSUE OSTERMANN
Conference Interpreter, USA

PANELISTS
Tourism Potential in Pakistan
MUHAMMAD IBRAHIM
Pakistan

Japanese War Brides in the U.S. - Socio-cultural Adaptation as Immigrants
FUMITERU NITTA
Professor Emeritus, Kibi International University, Japan

Consumption, Expectation, and Rejection of K-pop Idols in Japan’s Idol-scape
EUN-YOUNG JUNG
Independent Scholar, USA

Lost in Translation?…Found in EMP in Okinawa!
CAROLINE C. LATHAM
Director, Medical English Education Program, Okinawa Prefecture Northern Area Hospitals, Japan

3.5 Assessing and Addressing Environmental Impacts Across the Region
SAMPAGUITA HALL C

CHAIR/MODERATOR
WILLIAM FELTZ
Adjunct Arts Specialist, Arts Program, East-West Center, USA

PANELISTS
Environmental Impact Assessment System in Japan and Okinawa
JUN-ICHIRO TSUTSUMI
Professor, University of the Ryukyus, Japan
### Control of Green House Gas Emission through Bio-Methanation

**SENGODA GOUNDER RAJAMANI**  
Chairman, Asian International Union of Environment (IUE) Commission, India

12 noon – 1:30 pm  
Award Ceremony Lunch  
CENTENNIAL HALL

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm  
Concurrent Panel Sessions 4

#### 4.1 Music Bridging Cultures? Towards an Acoustic Geography of Contemporary Asia

**ROMA SALON**

**CHAIR/MODERATOR**  
R. ANDERSON SUTTON  
Dean, School of Pacific & Asian Studies, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, USA

**PANELISTS**

- **‘Molihua’: The Many Faces of China’s Most Popular Folksong**  
  FREDERICK LAU  
  Professor, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, USA

- **The Micro and the Macro in Constructing an Acoustic Geography of the Philippines**  
  RICARDO D. TRIMILLOS  
  Professor Emeritus, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, USA

- **K-pop and K-pop Fandom in Indonesia: Charting a New Musical Geography in Asia**  
  R. ANDERSON SUTTON  
  Dean, School of Pacific & Asian Studies, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, USA

- **The ‘Asian Sound Bridge’: Breaking Boundaries in American Pop Music**  
  ANTHONY T. RAUCHE  
  Professor, University of Hartford, USA

Musical sounds are crossing national and cultural boundaries at an ever-increasing pace. Whole musical products travel easily, via CDs, satellite broadcast, digital downloads and streaming. As they are introduced and become meaningful for people who may live thousands of miles from the source of production and culturally distant from the musicians who created them, they inevitably undergo transformations in meanings and in listening and performance contexts in these new settings and may induce reinterpretations in the source culture as well. Musicians everywhere are exposed to these traveling sounds and often take inspiration from them, sometimes attempting to reproduce the original in its entirety, but in other cases extracting particular sonic aspects—a melody, a rhythmic pattern, the sound quality of a particular instrument—incorporating these into their own practice. In some cases this kind of borrowing is intended to symbolize or even encourage cross-cultural understanding; in others the impetus may simply arise from an attraction to the novelty—“a fresh new sound”—or be motivated by commercial considerations of the music industry. In the realm of popular music, it may be the visual dimension more than the acoustic one that is primary. The presenters on this panel address different aspects of the changing acoustic geography of Asia, identifying particular cases of music traveling and establishing itself in new geographical and cultural surroundings.

#### 4.2 Ecological and Social Patterns of Consumption

**CHAMPAGNE SALON**

**CHAIR/MODERATOR**  
MINHO YEOM  
Professor, Chonnam National University, South Korea

**PANELISTS**

- **Energy Efficiency Policy Development in Bhutan**  
  SIVA SAKTHIRAJ RAJAMANI  
  Management Consultant, PriceWaterHouseCoopers (PwC), India

- **Climatic Difference in Agricultural Ways between the Okinawa Islands and the Philippines**  
  SUGURU ISHIJIMA  
  President, NPO Okinawa Typhoon Center Forum, Japan  
  RYO GINOZA  
  System Engineer, Ryuseki Corporation, Japan  
  (co-authors TAKASHI ADANIYA, DINO NOLASCO, and NATHANIEL SERVANDO)

- **An Estimation of the Optimal Price of Beer in Korea**  
  WON NYON KIM  
  Professor, Korea University, South Korea  
  (co-authors BO YOUNG KIM and HYUN SEOK YANG)

#### 4.3 Conflict Resolution in International Settings

**SAMPAGUITA HALL A**

**CHAIR/MODERATOR**  
INGEBORG KENDALL MARANTO  
Senior Adjunct Professor, University of La Verne, USA

**PANELISTS**

- **Embracing Cultural Gaps in Reasoning with a Transcultural Mental Model**  
  YUKARI MAKINO  
  Professor, Kansai University, Japan
Reflections on Joint US-Japan War Commemorations
MARIE THORSTEN
Professor, Doshisha University, Japan

Keeping the Faith: Freedom of Thought, Conscience and Religion in ASEAN
FAITH SUZZETTE KONG
Research and Project Coordinator, Human Rights Resource Centre (for ASEAN), Philippines

4.4 Health and Targeted Populations
SAMPAGUITA HALL B

CHAIR/MODERATOR
RAJESH AGGARWAL
Associate Professor, Population Research Centre (PRC), Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID), India

PANELISTS
Determinants of Fertility Among Married Women in South Sulawesi, Indonesia
SOS SOPYAN
Staff, The National Population and Family Planning Board, Indonesia

Japan’s Healthcare Reform in a Comparative Perspective
TOSHIYUKI NISHIKAWA
Professor Emeritus, Surugadai University, Japan

Community Empowerment for Healthier Lifestyle in Palau: Challenges and Potentials
TAKASHI MITA
Associate Professor, Osaka University, Japan

4:45 pm – 5:00 pm
Summation of the Conference
CENTENNIAL HALL

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
EWCA Alumni Membership Meeting
CHAMPAGNE SALON

All conference participants are invited to attend

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Farewell/Aloha Banquet including Alumni Talent Show
Maynila Ballroom

MONDAY, JANUARY 18
Optional Post Conference Tours

JENELINE N. NICOLAS
Associate, Desierto and Desierto Law Office, Philippines

JENNIFER MONJE
Conference Intern and current Graduate Degree Fellow, East-West Center, Philippines

In this panel, recent graduates from EWC student programs in the past five to ten years share their career developments and engagement in the Asia-Pacific region since completing East-West Center awards and graduate training. How has the East-West Center experience helped them launch and build careers, and how are their career choices, careers and lives shaped or impacted by their EWC experience? How do alumni in their 30’s and 40’s network and keep in touch professionally and personally? How are the newest alumni involved in community building in the Asia-Pacific region? Hear how this new generation of EWC alumni is developing and participating in an active social network of people committed to positive change.

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EWC DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

The Distinguished Alumni Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments, including: significant contributions to the promotion of better relations and understanding among the countries of East and West through activities of cultural and technical interchange; significant achievements in one’s career; and continuing support of the goals of the Center. The award was established and endowed by Dr. Dai Ho Chun, former Director of the East-West Center’s Institute for Technical Interchange.

The recipients of the 2016 Distinguished Alumni Awards are:

ARSENIO M. BALISACAN was a research intern at EWC from 1982-1985 and a Fellow in the Resource Systems Institute from 1985-1986. His time at EWC was a critical turning point in his career as an economist and following his programs in Hawai’i he served as Economist at the World Bank. Currently, Balisacan is the Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning and Director-General of the National Economic and Development Authority. Prior to his appointment, he was Dean and Professor of Economics at the University of the Philippines Diliman. He has also served as the Executive Director of the Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) and the Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and Research at the Philippine Department of Agriculture. Secretary Balisacan is a recognized and widely-published scholar on poverty, food security, rural and regional development, human development, impact assessment, natural resource use and management, and governance issues in Asia.

ARFA SAYEDA ZEHRA is Professor Emerita at Forman Christian College in Lahore, Pakistan. Zehra is passionate about her work as an educator primarily with regard to her commitment to the education of young girls. Her commitment to teaching excellence has won her national acclaim in Pakistan where she has received two Lifetime Achievement Awards and the highly-regarded “Fatima Jinnah Award.” She serves on numerous boards of institutions of higher learning and academic organizations, including a recent nomination to the Board of Governors of the prestigious National College of Arts—Lahore. She was appointed Chairperson, with the rank of Federal State Minister, for the National Commission on the Status of Women and was invited to give a lecture by the United Nations Women at UN Headquarters, New York. Zehra was a PhD grantee at the East-West Center from 1978-1982 and has shown dedication and commitment to the Center ever since. She has served as the Leader of the EWCA Lahore Chapter in Pakistan since 2005 and, under her leadership, the Chapter received the EWCA Outstanding Chapter Award in 2014. She has attended nearly all International Conferences, participating as speaker and panelist; she served on the EWCA Executive Board for two terms, from 2008 to 2011 and from 2011 to 2014; and she was selected as an illustrious alumna in the East-West Center’s 50th Year anniversary publication, Fifty Years, Fifty Stories.
EWCA OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER AWARDS

This award recognizes outstanding alumni volunteers who have provided significant contributions to the programs and activities of the East-West Center Association. The awardees lead by example, demonstrating the qualities that bring out the best in others.

The recipients of the 2016 Outstanding Volunteer Awards are:

MYUNG-SEOK PARK is the Chairman of Jinseok Company and Professor Emeritus at Dankook University. He is currently the President of Friends of Korea with the Center of Korean Studies at the University of Hawai‘i at Manoa. Park is the Associate Chairman for the company he founded called “Beautiful Community Incorporated Association” a Seoul-based charity organization which aims to provide support to the underprivileged people in South Korea. Through his work with “Beautiful Community,” Park has recently provided five students from Africa with funds to support their graduate studies at Duksung Women’s University. Park participated in the East-West Center Institute for Technical Interchange program in 1966-67 and the Culture Learning Institute in 1974. In 1979 Park was integral in organizing and carrying out the EWC/EWCA Regional Conference held in Seoul, South Korea and made major contributions as the EWCA Seoul Chapter Leader. In 1980, Park, nominated by the Seoul Chapter, received the first EWC Distinguished Alumni Award. Park continues to be a generous and active volunteer in the EWCA Seoul Chapter.

ESTRELLA BESINGA SYBINSKY was a Professor in Political Science at the University of Hawai‘i, Windward campus. She has taught at Sonoma State University in Northern California, Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana, and Indiana University-Purdue University Columbus (IUPUC) in Columbus, Indiana. She is also a published opinion writer and poet. She was cited as one of Hawaii’s Outstanding Young Women of America in 1978 and is a National Endowment for the Humanities Grant awardee. She was an East-West Center Open Grants awardee from 1970-1971. Sybinsky chaired the Washington DC Program Planning Committee for the 2010 50th Anniversary of the East-West Center in Washington, DC and served on the EWCA Executive Board as Vice-President for Chapter Development from 2010-2015. In this role, she developed a strong rapport with almost 50 chapter leaders through personalized email exchanges with each of them. It was this personal commitment that encouraged the chapter leaders to become more active and more accountable to the EWCA Board with their quarterly reports and through their chapter activities.
EWCA 21ST CENTURY OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

This award recognizes East-West Center participants who became involved in an EWC program after 2000 and who have provided outstanding service to the community. “Community” may include a geographic area, a professional organization, or a network of organizations engaged in activities that strengthen intercultural understanding, economic and social empowerment or civic engagement.

The first recipient of the 2016 21st Century Outstanding Service Award is:

GLENN VAN ZUTPHEN is the owner of VanMedia Group Pte Ltd, an international media consultancy which coaches clients to deliver engaging and memorable spoken, written, and multimedia communication for TV, news media interviews, conferences, business meetings, and social media. In 29 years as a professional journalist and published author, he has done most editorial jobs in print, radio, and television news while living and working in the U.S., Japan, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Singapore. He worked to bridge the knowledge and understanding gaps between East and West while at such companies as ABC News Radio, USA Today, NHK Japan, CNN International, and CNBC Asia. van Zutphen has been active with the East-West Center since 2002, when he was a Jefferson Fellow. Since then, he has actively participated in EWC events, including the Media Conferences—as both delegate and program presenter in Hong Kong (2010), Seoul (2012), and Yangon (2014). He is actively involved with the EWCA Singapore Chapter.

EWCA OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AWARDS

This award recognizes outstanding EWCA chapters that have provided significant contributions to the goals and programs of the EWCA, including an active and committed membership, activities that broaden the outreach of the Center into local communities, and programs that benefit and interest the local alumni.

The recipients of the 2016 Outstanding Chapter Awards are:

CHENNAI, INDIA CHAPTER

The EWCA Chennai Chapter has organized many programs in the past 15 years in cooperation with a variety of organizations including British Scholars Associations, the US Consulate in Chennai, universities, Rotary Clubs, the United Nations, and the Asian Environmental Commission. Through its activities, the Chennai Chapter fulfills its mission in supporting the East-West Center by conducting broad outreach in the Chennai region. The Chapter facilitates professional networking through various activities including informal get-togethers, seminars, lectures, and workshops. The Chapter also actively works to recruit new participants for the East-West Center and carries out community service projects in the Chennai Region. In recent years, the Chapter has organized many awareness programs on health environment, water conservation, and student development in cooperation with various voluntary organizations. Many members of the Chennai Chapter participate in the biennial East-West Center International conferences at which they present their ongoing work and research. This is the second time the Chennai Chapter is receiving this award. They were first awarded the Outstanding Chapter Award in 2006.

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN CHAPTER

The EWCA Islamabad Chapter has performed regional outreach and has supported and organized community service programs to underprivileged children in the region. The Chapter has provided resources, programs, and services to children at the House of Light School including regular medical checkups classroom materials, and visual arts activities. Arts activities promoted by the Chapter spurred the children to learn how to organize and carry out their own fundraising efforts for the school. In 2015, through the Chapter’s efforts, a new building was inaugurated for the school. The Islamabad Chapter was also very active in coordinating community service programs following the 2005 earthquake in Pakistan including providing support and resources to orphaned children, fund raising for an NGO for the psychological and physical rehabilitation of earthquake victims, and by increasing public awareness about building design and construction to promote safety measures in the event of a future earthquake. The Islamabad Chapter truly supports the vision and mission of the East-West Center through its inspiring community service programs and activities in the Islamabad region and through it work with the local community.
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