

Report for Institutional Program for Younger Researcher Overseas Visits,
Center for Southeast Asian Studies
Kyoto University

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Position in CSEAS : * Check an appropriate entry (Lecturer · <u>Assistant Professor</u> · Research Assistant · Postdoctoral · Ph. D. Student · Master's Student · Undergraduate Student)	
Host Institute (Counterpart, Institute and County) : Institute of International Asian Studies, Rapenburg 59 · 2311 GJ Leiden · the Netherlands Center for Southeast Asian Studies, SOAS, University of London, Thornhaugh Street, Russell Square, London WC1H 0XG *Circle the appropriate entry for host institute (University · Research Institute · Company · Others)	
Position at Host Institute: Visiting Scholar	
Term : (17/9/2012) ~ (29/9/2012) (13 Days)	
Research Purpose: * Check any appropriate entries. ① Research/Laboratory Work ② Fieldwork ③ Seminar ④ Internship ⑤ Take course or class ⑥ Attend Academic Meeting ⑦ Earn credits ⑧ Other	
Research Area: * Circle the appropriate entry. ① Humanities ② Social Sciences ③ Mathematics and Physics ④ Chemistry ⑤ Engineering ⑥ Biology ⑦ Agriculture ⑧ Medical Science, Pharmacy and Dentistry ⑨ Integral Area of Studies ⑩ New Multidiscipline	
Outline of Overseas Visits (About 300~400 words)	
<p>Visit to SOAS 18-21 September Between the 18th~21st September I visited the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS). The purpose of this visit was to introduce our Center, our past and present activities and to sound out their interest in an MOU. Over four days I met Dana Healy (Head of Dept), Rachel Harrison (Lecturer and previous Head) and the Current Chair of their Center, Carol Tan. Please see file 【1】 for detailed overview.</p> <p>Visit to International Institute of Asian Studies (IIAS) 24~27 September The visit to IIAS was primarily to continue discussions that took place after the signing of our MOU with this institution early on this year. Over the three day period I entered into discussions with the Director (Philippe Peycam) and Vice Director Willem Vogelsang to identify the areas in which our activities interact. I also gave a presentation of the 25th of my present ongoing research. In regards to discussions concerning future activities the following areas were discussed. Please see file 【1】 for detailed overview.</p>	
Research Achievement on this Program (300~400 Words)	
<p>An MOU with SOAS is negotiable. They have a small albeit productive department which has good links to SEA scholars in the region and both Rachel and Carol are active in European associations. I will continue to follow up developments and inform the faculty as information comes in.</p> <p>The visit to IIAS has given us some concrete plans of action that we can follow through (see file 【1】). They are keen to have a good working relationship with us in a way that is mutually beneficial. At present it is quite a difficult period for obtaining funds (in both Japan and Europe), so coordinating with each other in funding applications for joint projects would strengthen fund raising initiatives. As such any future mutual activities can build relations and this will hopefully get them to commit to our consortium plans for 2014. IIAS has an extensive network and we can gain a lot and promote some of our present initiatives such as our Sustainable Humanosphere in SEA Studies to a wider audience.</p>	