



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS  
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

***HOW TO STUDY ASIA IN SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES?  
Some Methodological Reflections***

**5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2016  
Room No 638-640, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, 190 av. de France, 75013 Paris, France**

The Young Researchers Office in Asian studies (Bureau des Jeunes Chercheurs sur l'Asie) is pleased to announce the organization of its **First international conference on Asia focused on methodology discussion, on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2016**. It will be organized in partnership with the GIS Asia.

This conference aims to provide opportunities for PhD/Post Doctoral fellows working on Asia in areas of History, Political Science, International Relations, Economics, Anthropology and Sociology, to present their research and to improve their theoretical but especially methodological approaches. The broad objectives of the conference will be to foster collaboration and the creation of trans-disciplinary research projects on Asia, while discussing common issues that transcends our areas of study: the necessity and possibility of articulating disciplinary knowledge and area studies, as well as the necessity and possibility of applying theories (often of predominantly Western origins) to a local context (Non Western).

This conference will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2016. The proceedings will consist of several panels (in English or in French), with two to three communications each, organized according to topics, theories and methods used. Each participant will present her/his paper, which will then be discussed by a senior researcher and the other participants. Thirty minutes will be devoted to each paper, to allow for in depth discussions. It attempts to adapt variety of inter disciplinary and area study themes, a few suggested themes could be Religion effects, (Post) colonial perspective, Gender and Ethnic effects, Comparatism (intra-Asia but also Western/Eastern), etc.

**How to participate**

Enrolled scholars working on Asia in all stages of their doctoral and postdoctoral research are invited to submit an abstract (English or French) of maximum of 500 words to [jeunes.chercheurs@gis-reseau-asie.org](mailto:jeunes.chercheurs@gis-reseau-asie.org) by 15<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at the latest. Successful applicants will be informed by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016. Final papers of a maximum of 8000 words should be submitted by 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016.

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