Indigenous Civilisations and Peoples in South and Southeast Asia
Connecting Past with Present and Beyond

9th SSEASR Conference
of
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Myanmar known before as Burma is a unique geographical location which encompasses ethnic diversity of not less than 135 groups of peoples who have settled in the land of Myanmar since time immemorial. Out of them, Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine and Shan have a long history of socio-religious expression which led to the advent of civilisations with all culture elements. The continuity of the past from Pondaung Ponnya Culture (Prehistory) to contemporary Myanmar thus offers us a fertile ground of the study of culture and religion of the country. This multiplicity of racial connects, shared religious/belief system, and lingual diversification is more or less true in almost all the countries of South Asia and Southeast Asia. In this Age, when everybody is trying to be more ‘natural’ and nature-friendly, their ageless practices of healthcare, traditional medicines, sharedness, coexistence and mutual respect to socio-religious beliefs are remarkably important today for a better world order. The 9th SSEASR Conference celebrates this uniqueness, and makes a scholarly attempt to learn about it through the academic study of humankind in this part of the world. Considering its variance across issues, disciplines, and subjects, this phenomenon invites papers on the following (though not confined to) sub-themes:

Sub-themes:
1. Myths, Beliefs and Traditions
2. Languages and Literature
3. Culture and Religion of Our Diaspora
4. Art and Architecture: Reflection in Religion
5. Caves and Culture
6. Trade and Economy in connection with Religion
7. Pilgrimage and Tourism
8. Education and Religion
9. Gender issues among Indigenous Peoples

Individual panel proposals are also welcome. Please send such proposal with the names of participants (minimum 4) to us by email and online submission (to be launched soon at the Homepage of SSEASR www.sseasr.org). Email: MyanmarSSEASR@gmail.com

Note:
The SSEASR operates under the policies and principles of the parent body International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR), which seeks to promote the activities of all scholars and affiliates that contribute to the historical, social, and comparative study of religion. As such, the IAHR is the preeminent international forum for the critical, analytical and cross-cultural study of religion, past and present. The IAHR is not a forum for confessional, apologetical, or other similar concerns.

Dates to be remembered:
Pre-Conference Tour: July 13, 2021
The Days of the Conference: July 14-17, 2021
Post Conference Tour: July 17-19, 2021
Early Registration Deadline: January 15, 2021
Panel Submission Closes: January 31, 2021
Last Submission of Abstract: March 31, 2021

Registration Fees

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The registration Fee covers conference day meals, dinners, coffee/tea, conference publications, pickup service at the airport and entry to cultural evenings. It does not include air tickets, hotels and other personal expenses.

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