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Call for Papers Call for Papers

Nonprofit Law, Policy and Practice: Evolution and Evaluation

Eighth ISTR Asia Pacific Regional Conference

Seoul 24-26 October 2013

Paper/Panel proposals are sought from researchers throughout the Asia Pacific region reporting research into aspects of the third sector

Deadline 15 April 2013

The third sector in the Asia Pacific region is very large and dynamic – it is claimed that China and India have 1+ million third sector organizations. The major growth in the third sector in Asia had been in the 1970s and 1980s – during the pro-democracy movements. The third sector activities and organizations, in the recent past, have also been influenced by many tax laws e.g. in Australia, Japan, Korea. Sadly democratization and recent extremist activities have prompted new legislations constricting the third sector in many countries. Laws affecting the third sector in the Asia Pacific region having been in existence for about 150 years have grown rapidly in the last two decades. Is this development for better or for worse?

MAJOR THEMES OF THE CONFERENCE THUS INCLUDE:

- ✚ Government, laws, and the third sector
- ✚ Tax regime and the third sector activities
- ✚ Third sector and policy making: Impact and Evaluation
- ✚ Wellbeing/welfare systems and the role of the third sector
- ✚ Non-profit history and 'her-story'

OTHER CONFERENCE THEMES (Indicative, not exhaustive)

- Collaborative governance and its implications to the third sector
- Profit and non-profit sector partnerships and policy implications
- Innovations in third sector governance
- Environment, sustainability, and the third sector
- Social enterprise

Comparative studies are encouraged, as appropriate.

The Conference Program is likely to include working group meetings on

- A. Third sector research and teaching methodologies
- B. The challenges of forming and maintaining third sector networks

There will also be sessions showcasing the ISTR and its activities, and other national and regional research associations, their activities and accomplishments.

Display of posters of, visits of the delegates to, and talks about local third sector organisations will be in the agenda.

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Conference Venue

The conference will be held in the Kim Koo Museum and Library, Seoul. Online accommodation booking will be cheaper. More information will be available on the ISTR website.

Host Institution

The NPO Research Centre at the East-West Institute of the Yonsei University, Korea, carries out research on non-profit organizations, laws and policies. The NPO Research Centre also is a research hub for non-profit sector in Korea, and has participated in many international joint research projects.

The NPO Research Centre also played an important role in the formation of the Korea Association of Non-profit Sector Research (KANPOR) in 2000. The KANPOR is co-hosting the current Conference.

Registration Fee

Registration fee will be \$US150 (ISTR members); US\$275 and US\$200 (including one-year ISTR membership fee for middle/high income and low income country institution affiliation, respectively). The fee will include conference materials, lunch, and dinner for two nights.

Scholarships

It is recognised that researchers from many countries in the region will need assistance to attend the conference. Thus the Organiser may be able to offer:

Full scholarship including economy class airfare from and to the country of residence, registration fee, and accommodation (for three nights; twin share).

Scholarship for registration/accommodation (for three nights; twin share).

Requests for travel and/or registration/accommodation scholarships should accompany the paper proposal.

PROPOSALS FOR PAPERS SHOULD:

- indicate the problem/issue the research addresses relating it to the literature
- briefly outline the methodology used in the research
- provide indication of main findings to date
- be between 300 and 600 words in length
- be accompanied by a brief biographical note: name, qualifications, current position (**on a separate sheet**)
- be sent to Professor Lee, Hanjoon: hanjoon222@hanyang.ac.kr

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