

Liberal Script(s) – Asian Versions and Contestations of a Concept

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21 February 2022 | Day 1

08:45–09:00

Welcome

Amrita Narlikar, German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA) and Hamburg University/SCRIPTS, Germany
Michael Zürn, WZB Berlin Social Science Center and Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

09:00–10:00

Keynote: Scripts in Asia – One or Many?

Exploring Alternative Liberal Order Ideas: A South Asian Perspective
Amitabh Mattoo, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

China and the Liberal International Order: Critical Engagement
Ling Wei, University of International Business and Economics, China

Q&A session

Moderation: Michael Zürn

10:00–11:00

Panel 1: The Liberal Script in Asia

Conceptual Roundtable on “the” Liberal Script in Asia and Asian Liberalism(s): Theoretical Puzzles, Methodological Problems, Policy Implications.

Inputs

Amrita Narlikar and Michael Zürn
Louise Fawcett, University of Oxford, UK
John Keane, University of Sydney, Australia
C. Raja Mohan, National University of Singapore
Moderation: Verena Blechinger-Talcott, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

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Break

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Panel 2: Asian Scripts and Variations**A Javanese Spin on Democracy: Indonesian Society's Adaptation the Liberal Script**

Thomas Seitz, University of Wyoming, USA

George Towar Ikbak Tawakkal, Brawijaya University, Indonesia

Andrew Garner, University of Wyoming, USA

The 'Community of Shared Future' as a Chinese script: tradition, history and liberal contestation (absorption)

Tim Summers, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Harmonizing dissonant scripts: Monarchy and liberalism in Japan and Thailand

David M. Malitz, German Institute for Japanese Studies, Japan

East Asia and the Borderland of the Liberal International Order: A Regional History

Min Shu, Waseda University, Japan

Discussant: Ummu Salma Bava, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

Moderation: Sebastian Conrad, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

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Panel 3: Human Security and Global Constitutionalism**Postcolonial World-making: the interactions between domestic and international order scripts in mid-twentieth century India**

Tobias Berger, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

Asian Scripts of Human Security

Ayako Kobayashi, Sophia University, Japan

Potential of a "Refugee Law" detached from Human Rights Values in East and Southeast Asia; In Light of the Post-WWII Japanese Experience

Kaoru Obata, Nagoya University, Japan

The Predicament of Japan's "Human Rights Foreign Policy" as an Illustration of the Dilemma between the Two Narratives in Different Dimensions in the West and Asia

Hideaki Shinoda, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Japan

Discussant: Alec Stone Sweet, The University of Hong Kong

Moderation: Yasmin Soysal, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

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Panel 4: Asian finance and the liberal script: contestation, compliance or co-optation?**From Europe to Asia? Post-Crisis Shifts in the Global Financial System and their Potential Challenge to the Liberal Script**

Johannes Petry, Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany

Fabian Pape, University of Warwick, UK

Japan's Mixed Responses to the Liberal Script of Financialization and Digitalization

Fumihito Gotoh, University of Sheffield, UK

Membership and its Benefits: Vote Shares in the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

Soo Yeon Kim, National University of Singapore

Jesslene Lee, University of Toronto, Canada

Islamic finance in Southeast Asia: contesting or reaffirming liberal financial scripts

Lena Rethel, University of Warwick, UK

Discussant: Mark Hallerberg, Hertie School/SCRIPTS, Germany

Moderation: Thomas Risse, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

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Panel 5: Competition or Complementarity: The BRI and Liberal Connectivity Scripts**Colliding Scripts? BRI and the 17+1 Initiative**

Tanja Börzel, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

Valentin Krüsmann, Centre for East European and International Studies/SCRIPTS, Germany

Julia Langbein, Centre for East European and International Studies, Germany

Lunting Wu, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

“Planned Diplomacy” and China's BRI connectivity script

Rumi Aoyama, Waseda University, Japan

The Japanese script for building the ‘Indo-Pacific’ region: liberal or geopolitical?

Hidetoshi Nakamura, Waseda University, Japan

Similarities and differences between Japanese, Chinese and European connectivity scripts in the Indo-Pacific

Paul Bacon, Waseda University, Japan

Discussant: Sook Jong Lee, Sung Kyun Kwan University, South Korea

Moderation: Gülay Caglar, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

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Panel 6: Internet Governance and Control

Data Protection and Norm Diffusion

Yurika Ishii, National Defense Academy of Japan

Public Opinion on Social Credit: Trade-offs between Personal Gain, Surveillance and Data Privacy in Southeast Asia

Wiebke Rabe, Institute of Chinese Studies, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

Genia Kostka, Institute of Chinese Studies, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

India's Role in Global Internet Governance. How Changing Beliefs Alter Foreign Policy Behavior and International Alignment

Tobias Scholz, King's College London, UK/The National University of Singapore

Personal Data Protection and the Asian Script: The sustainability of the Asian Script in light of the adequacy decision mechanism

Takao Suami, Waseda University, Japan

Discussant: Katharina Bluhm, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

Moderation: Stefan Gosepath, Freie Universität Berlin/SCRIPTS, Germany

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Wrap-up session

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