



ASEAN Region's Culture and Religion by the end of 21st Century: A Dialogue of Past with Present?

7th South and Southeast Asian Association for Culture and Religion (SSEASR) Conference

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AN IAHR REGIONAL CONFERENCE

organized by

Vietnam Buddhist University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

in collaboration with

Vietnam Buddhist Research Institute, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

THIRD ANNOUNCEMENT

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My Dear Colleagues,

The 7th SSEASR Conference is now ready to welcome you all!

Please fill in the new [ONLINE FORM](#) which would help us in picking you up and food requirements.

SUBMISSION OF FULL PAPERS

The deadline for the submission of full paper is now **June 15, 2017**. We are planning to have a publication of Conference Presentation as per the requirement of the Conference permission. Thereafter, we will have publication for select and peer-reviewed articles. Therefore, those who have already finished their papers may send to us now without waiting for the deadline.

ARRIVAL AT HO CHI MINH CITY AIRPORT

We are making arrangement for picking up at the Ho Chi Minh City airport. This facility would be valid for from July 7 till July 8 midnight. On July 09 morning, it will be difficult for picking you up as the Conference is inaugurated at that time. Please fill in the new ONLINE FORM to give us the data of flights etc. PLEASE LOOK FOR THE VOLUNTEERS AT ARRIVAL HALL HOLDING THE PLACARD OF SSEASR CONFERENCE.

Kindly note, **our pick-up service is for those only who are staying at the pre-booked Hotel Saigon Victory Hotel**. Those who have made their own arrangements of stay, should contact their respective hotels to arrange your pick-up.

VENUE

The 7th SSEASR Conference would be held at the Academic Complex of Great Monastery, MINH DANG Quang(Pháp viện Minh Đăng Quang, 505 Xa lộ Hà Nội, P. An Phú, Q. 2, TP.) Ho Chi Minh City.. There will be daily pick-up and dropping back for our participants from Saigon Victory Hotel (30 MINUTES ONE WAY) . The pick-up on July 9 would be at 07:30 AM to bring you to the Conference Hall. Those staying at other places, please make your own arrangement to come to the Conference venue.

VISA

For those coming from **ASEAN countries, there is no need for visa**. This is the list of the countries where participants do not require visa for entering Vietnam: <https://www.myvietnamvisa.com/vietnam-visa-exemption.html> Also, the APEC Business Travel Card (ABTC) holders containing "VNM" on the back of the card can also enter visa-free.

For Visa, you need to take it ONLINE **or** by visiting the nearest Embassy or Consulate office of Republic of Vietnam. Please fill in the Visa Form with tourist visa option ONLY, and for that the Hotel address is required to be filled in: Hotel Saigon Victory, 14 Võ Văn Tần, Quận 3, Hồ Chí Minh, Writing conference/summit attendance on visa application form would delay the issuance of visa. Vietnam. Please use this site for the official visa online:

<https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn/web/guest/trang-chu-ttdt>

Please note, the **facility of visa-on-arrival** has to go through permission of processing it ONLINE FIRST (which takes maximum 36 working hours to issue the visa paper). **The facility of VISA-ON- ARRIVAL DOES NOT IMPLY THAT YOU APPLY FOR VISA ON ARRIVAL AND GET IT.** PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF IT. It is equally important for all participants coming to Vietnam through e-visa facilities to carry the printout of the Letter sent by mail and 2 passport-size frontal view and white background photographs.

PAYMENT AND RECEIPT

Those who have made payments of whatsoever nature related to the Conference (ITEM BY ITEM) would be provided receipts from SSEASR desk after clearing their dues. Such receipts would be issued and handed over soon after your arrival.

POST-CONFERENCE TOUR

You will be picked up from Saigon Victory Hotel. Those who have opted for this and are not staying there are kindly requested to come to the Hotel by 6:30 AM. The bus will wait till 7:00. Your return from trip will be on July 14 by 20:30 PM.

REGISTRATION FEES

There will no facility of paying registration fee at the Venue except those who are holders of passports of Cambodia and Laos, and local Vietnamese citizens.

ACCOMODATION

Victory Saigon Hotel offers High speed Wi-Fi connectivity in the room. Swimming pool (with nominal fee) and Bar; LCD TV; In-room Coffee/tea making facility, 24-hour room service, Minibar and refrigerator, Non-smoking floors. **We have struck deal with the Spa at the Hotel which has been listed as the top three BEST SPA IN VIETNAM.** That would give you a 30% whopping discount. The code of this Special Price would be given to you at check-in time. The Spa is open till midnight but prior appointment is essential as the guests come from other Hotels too.



HOTEL PAYMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE PAID TO US ONLY **(Not to the Hotel)** at the bank account details provided below.
NO CARD PAYMENT FACILITIES IS AVAILABLE. The last transfer can be made ONLY TILL JUNE 15, 2017:

Account Name: Tran Ngoc Thao

Bank Name: Vietcombank

Branch: Ho Chi Minh City

Account No.: 007-100077-6335. **Swift Code:** BFTVVNVX007

Transfer purpose: for 7th SSEASR Conference

Responsible person for the account: Ven. Prof Dr Thich Nhat Tu

Bank Address and Phone: 5, Cong Truong Me Linh, Quận 1, TP Hồ Chí Minh ; +84- 8 38297245

(Please cover all transaction cost while transferring the money.)

ACADEMIC SCHEDULE

To see the schedule of the Conference, please click on this link after June 6.2017: (BEING CREATED)

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