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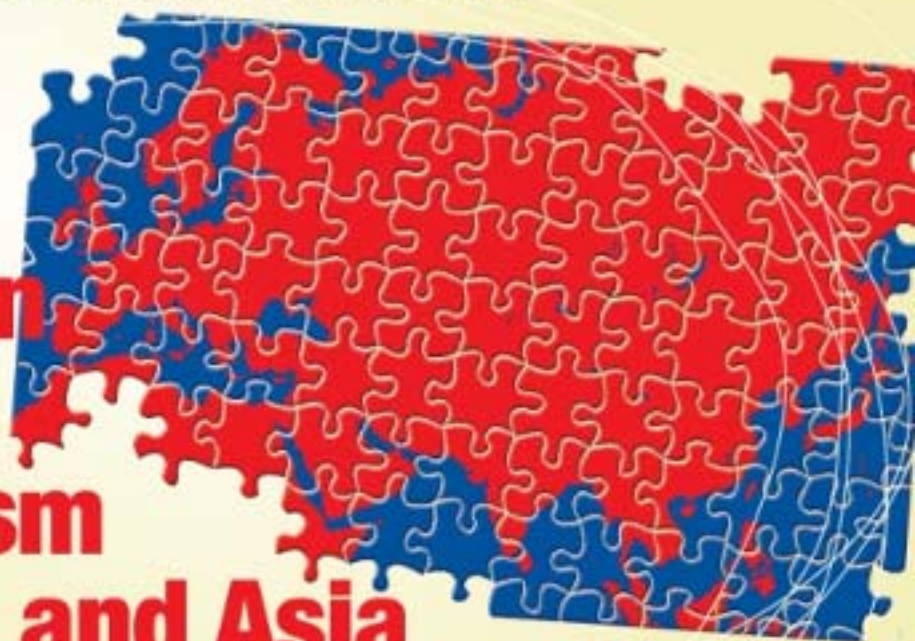


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International Conference



State Secession and Separatism in Europe and Asia

VENUES

7 - 8 December 2009
HG01 Ho Yin Convention Centre
University of Macau
Taipa, Macau

9 December 2009
Dr. Wu Yee Sun Lecture Theatre (NAB 109)
Hong Kong Baptist University
Renfrew Road, Kowloon Tong
Hong Kong

All are Welcome
Free Admission

Registration
Not Required

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State Secession and Separatism in the Post Cold War Era

7 December 2009 (Monday)

09:00 - 18:00

University of Macau

Session 1 Secession in the Post Cold War Era
Economics, Politics and Theoretical Framework

State Secession and Separatism in Europe and the Middle East

Session 2 The Failure of Communist Federalism
The demise of the USSR and Yugoslavia

Session 3 Separatism in Western Europe and the Middle East
Scotland, Basque Country, Kurdistan

8 December 2009 (Tuesday)

10:00 - 13:00

University of Macau

Session 4 The Failure of Post-Communist Accommodation
Serbia and Macedonia, Caucasus, Chechnya, Kosovo

Separatism in Asia

9 December 2009 (Wednesday)

09:00 - 19:30

Hong Kong Baptist University

Session 5 Separatism in South and Southeast Asia
India, Tamil Nationalism and Sri Lanka, Timor Leste

Session 6 China: Autonomy, Separatism or Divided Nation?
Tibet, Xinjiang, Taiwan and China's Nation Building

**International Conference
State Secession and Separatism in Europe and Asia**

Organizers:

Prof. Jean-Pierre Cabestan, Department of Government and International Studies, Hong Kong Baptist University.

Dr. Aleksandar Pavkovic, Department of Government and Public Administration, University of Macau.

Date: 7-9 December 2009

Venue: University of Macau / Hong Kong Baptist University

Monday 7 December & Tuesday Morning 8 December: University of Macau HG01 Ho Yin Convention Centre, University of Macau, Taipa, Macau

Wednesday 9 December: Hong Kong Baptist University
Dr. Wu Yee Sun Lecture Theatre (NAB109), Hong Kong Baptist University, Renfrew Road, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong

**Monday 7 December 2009
University of Macau**

Morning

9:15 am
Registration

9:30 am
Opening Ceremony

9:45 am

First Part: State Secession and Separatism in the Post Cold War Era

Keynote Speech:

"Secession and International Order"
James Mayall, University of Cambridge, U.K.

10:30 am
Discussion

10:45 am
Coffee Break

11:00 am

Session 1: Secession in the Post Cold War Era
Chair: Newman Lam, University of Macau.

"What is Living and What is Dead in Economic Interpretations of Secessionism?"
Lloyd Cox, Macquarie University, Australia.

"Secession Claims and Counter-Claims: The Political Power Dimension"
Ralph Premdas, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago.

"Two-tier Sovereignty in the Post-Westphalian World Order?
Lessons Drawn from the Soviet Ukrainian Model"
Simon Shen, Hong Kong Institute of Education, Hong Kong.

12:30 am - 1 pm
Discussion

2:30 pm
Afternoon

Second Part: State Secession and Separatism in Europe and the Middle East

Session 2: The Failure of Communist Federalism
Chair: Zhidong Hao, University of Macau.

"Secession as a Way of Dissolving Federations: The USSR"
Richard Sakwa, University of Kent, U.K.

"Failure of Socialist Federalism: The Case of Yugoslavia"
Aleksandar Pavkovic, University of Macau, Macau.

3:30 pm
Discussion

4:00 pm
Coffee Break

4:30 pm

Session 3: Separatism in Western Europe and the Middle East
Chair: Bill Chou, University of Macau.

"Scottish Independence"
Michael Keating, European University Institute, Italy.

"Secession and Liberal Democracy: The Case of the Basque Country"
Ferran Requejo, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain.

"The Issue of Separatism in Kurdistan"
Hamit Bozarslan, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, France.

6:00 pm

Discussion

Tuesday 8 December 2009
University of Macau

Morning

10:00 am

Second Part: Separatism and Secession in Europe and the Middle East
(continued)

Session 4: The Failure of Post-Communist Accommodation
Chair: Emilie Tran, Inter-University Institute, Macau.

"Repression or Conciliation? Comparative Analysis of the State Responses to the
Ethnic Rebellion in Serbia and Macedonia"
Keiichi Kubo, Waseda University, Japan.

"Separatism in Post-Soviet Space: The case of the Caucasus"
Jean Radvanyi, French-Russian Research Centre of Human and Social Sciences,
Russia.

"Wars of Secession: Chechnya and Kosovo"
Aleksandar Pavkovic, University of Macau, Macau.

11:30 am

Coffee Break

12:00 am - 1:00 pm

Discussion

Day 3: Wednesday 9 December 2009
Hong Kong Baptist University

Third Part: Separatism in Asia

Morning

9:00 am

Registration

9:30 am

Opening Remarks

Prof. Tsoi Ah Chung, Vice-President (Research and Institutional
Advancement),
Hong Kong Baptist University.

9:45 am

Introduction and Recap of the Previous Sessions:

Prof. Jean-Pierre Cabestan, Head, Department of Government and International Studies, HKBU

10:00 am

Session 5: Separatism in South and Southeast Asia

"Separatism in Independent India: To No Avail, But K"

Jean-Luc Racine, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, France.

10:30 am

Discussion

10:45 am

Coffee Break

11:15 am

"The Future of Tamil Nationalism"

Chris Smith, Chatham House, U.K.

"Timor-Leste Independence. Back on the Resistance Strategies and on the International Perception of the Timor Case"

Christine Cabasset-Semedo, Universities of Paris-Evry Val d'Essonne and INALCO, France.

12:15 am - 12:45 am

Discussion

Afternoon

2:15 pm

Session 6: China: Autonomy, Separatism or Divided Nation?

"The Case of Tibet and the Autonomy Debate"

Robert Barnett, Columbia University, U.S.A.

"The Case of the Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region of China"

Nicholas Bequelin, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.

3:15 pm

Discussion

3:45 pm

Coffee Break

4:15 pm

"Taiwan: A Case of 'Separatism' or 'Divided Nation'?"
T.Y. Wang, Illinois State University, U.S.A.

"Nation-Building and National Identity in China: How could the 56 Ethnic Groups become an Entity?"
Wai Ting, Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong.

5:15 pm
Discussion

5:45 pm
Conclusions
By Prof. Jean-Pierre Cabestan, Department of Government and International Studies,
Hong Kong Baptist University.