



ASIAN UNIVERSITIES ALLIANCE PRESIDENTS FORUM 2022

Embracing Asian Diversity for a Shared Future: Mission of Universities in Fostering a Community of Life for People and Nature

March 15-April 22, 2022

Humanity is currently facing multiple profound challenges that threaten our future, including climate change, resource depletion, public health crises, and widening social and economic inequality. Universities, as a locus of knowledge creation and dissemination, have a key role to play in leading the joint efforts in tackling these challenges.

With the theme of “Embracing Asian Diversity for a Shared Future: Mission of Universities in Fostering a Community of Life for People and Nature”, the Asian Universities Alliance Presidents Forum 2022 (AUAPF 2022) will bring together university leaders from across Asia to explore new approaches to higher education in responding to emerging challenges. Both the shared and unique heritages and Asian wisdoms each university contributes will inspire us to integrate mutual learning into sustainable solutions. Our diverse experience will drive the progress and innovation of higher education across Asia and beyond.

The online forum will consist of four sessions in March, each with its own theme and sub-topics, and a plenary session that will take place on 22 April 2022.

Session 1 University Internationalization During and After COVID-19

Internationalization explores and exploits opportunities across national borders in order to align potentially unlimited aspirations with necessarily limited capabilities. In the last AUA Presidents Forum, the leaders of AUA members all stressed the vital importance of strengthened international communication and collaboration to survive and thrive in a VUCA world. In this first session of AUA Presidents Forum 2022, leaders of AUA member universities will share their new experiences and understanding of internationalization during and after COVID-19.

Date & Time: 15 March 2022 (Tue), 14:00-15:00, UTC+8

Panelists

- HAYASHI Kaori, Executive Vice President, The University of Tokyo
- YANG Bin, Provost & Vice President, Tsinghua University
- Reuben Wong, Associate Vice-President, National University of Singapore

Moderator

- ZHANG Chuanjie, AUA Secretary

Registration

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Session 2 Creating a University Culture of Innovation and Lifelong Learning

Education is key to shaping sustainable and peaceful futures for all. Universities have been long trusted with the responsibility of cultivating young talents who will find innovative solutions to common challenges. In recent decades, due to rapid technological development and increased human lifespans, universities are also expected to support lifelong learning to help people keep up-to-date and employable. This session will explore how universities create a culture of innovation and lifelong learning.

Date & Time: 17 March 2022 (Thu), 14:00-15:00, UTC+8

Panelists

- Bundhit Eua-arporn, President, Chulalongkorn University
- OH Se-Jung, President, Seoul National University
- Mohd. Hamdi Abd. Shukor, Vice-Chancellor, Universiti Malaya

Moderator

- Loretta O'Donnell, Vice Provost, Nazarbayev University

Registration

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Session 3 Future of Learning: Interdisciplinary Education and Innovative Pedagogy

Many of the challenges we face today are complex and multi-faceted. To effectively tackle them, it is necessary to transcend disciplinary boundaries and incorporate multiple perspectives in finding viable and imaginative solutions for a better world. This session aims to explore and share how Asian universities understand and promote interdisciplinary (which may also involve multi-, cross-, and trans-disciplinary) education and related pedagogical innovation.

Date & Time: 23 March 2022 (Wed), 14:00-15:00, UTC+8

Panelists

- Shigeo Katsu, President, Nazarbayev University
- Lionel Ni, President, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou)
- Chandrika Wijeyaratne, Vice Chancellor, University of Colombo

Moderator

- Yong Zulina Zubairi, Associate Vice-Chancellor, Universiti Malaya

Registration

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_COroQsTIRMGY5PplchDhVA

Session 4 The Networked University for an Integrated Education and Research Ecosystem

The university is in need of becoming more connected both internally and with the outside world. Networking as inter- and intra-organizational development is playing an increasingly important role in higher education. Each university is both motivated and challenged to develop a dynamic set of interfaces with diverse partners to jointly shape and influence the future. This session aims to draw upon successful experiences of AUA member universities in building trusting, reciprocal, and enduring relationships with other universities and organizations to promote the sustainable development of higher education and the whole world.

Date & Time: 25 March 2022 (Fri), 14:00-15:00, UTC+8

Panelists

- Ghaleb Ali AlHadrami AlBreiki, Acting Vice Chancellor, United Arab Emirates University
- Subhasis Chaudhuri, Director, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay
- Agustin Kusumayati, University Secretary, Universitas Indonesia
- Tin Maung Tun, Rector, University of Yangon

Moderator

- King L. Chow, Acting Dean of Students, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Registration

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fyRQvipLRXqXfY6_5c8llw

Plenary Forum Embracing Asian Diversity for a Shared Future: Mission of Universities in Fostering a Community of Life for People and Nature

Time: 22 April 2022 (Fri), 14:00-15:00, UTC+8

Registration: To be provided soon

All are welcome to join!

**More information of the AUAPF 2022 will be shared on the AUA Website at
<http://www.asianuniversities.org>**