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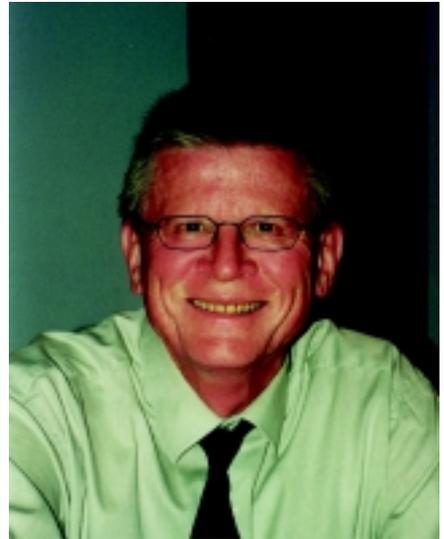
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*As the new Director of NIAS, I would like to confirm to our colleagues, partners and sponsors that we remain committed to professional collaboration and intellectual exchange. Not only do we aim for NIAS to continue as a major unique resource for Nordic Asia research; we shall also develop our role in that respect and continue to add value to Asia research in the Nordic countries. The Nordic benefits of our activities are well documented, and we hope to make our presence even more felt. Building on solid experience, we shall also expand our networks with partners in Europe and Asia. I am looking forward to work in this environment and to make my contribution to the further advancement of Nordic Asia research.*

*Once again, NIAS has enjoyed generous support from a large number of sponsors in 2001. We are grateful for the support and we hope to be able to continue our fruitful collaboration in the future.*

*With this report, NIAS has changed its reporting format. The report is short and focuses on highlights during the year and prospects for the future. The detailed report covering all NIAS activities in 2001 can be found on the following web address: <http://nias.ku.dk/NIAS2001>*

*Jørgen Delman  
Ph.D., Director*



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# NIAS in 2001

## Prospects for 2002

In the context of international terrorism, the events of 11 September 2001 and the war in Afghanistan, Asian issues have yet again pushed themselves to the top of the international agenda. Add to that the aftermath of the Asian crisis and its impact on Asian societies, political upheavals in many Asian countries, and the continuing positive performance of the Chinese economy despite a global recession. Think about reports on the spread of piracy in Asian waters, images of refugees setting off in boats from Indonesia for Australia, of India and Pakistan being on the brink of war ... all of these events come to mind when looking back at 2001!

Asian news, Asian events and Asian people set the frame for our understanding of Asia. Yet, there are many people who feel that they do not know enough about Asia to understand what is really happening. Here NIAS has an important role to play, not least in the Nordic countries. NIAS has a mission to do research on and keep itself informed about these events. NIAS also supports related research in the Nordic countries and works to inform research and business communities, the media and the general public about Asian development.

Against this backdrop, NIAS has continued to pursue this mission in 200. The institute works under contract with the Nordic Council of Ministers, our parent organization. The contract has outlined a number of qualitative goals, which are shown in a separate table together with the results attained in 2001.

NIAS managed to meet its obligations during the year and in many cases to do more than that. It is noted that NIAS researchers did well in terms of publishing their results, despite a decrease in the number of researchers. The research was topical and in line with the research strategy of the institute and is described elsewhere in this booklet and on our homepage (<http://eurasia.nias.ku.dk>).

Research support – i.e. library, information services, scholarships, guest researchers – has also performed well and NIAS's publishing programme maintains a good profile and quality in an increasingly competitive publishing environment under pressure from a receding market and concentration.

As compared to our contract, new items are reported. Noteworthy are hits on the library home page, information services such as e-mail lists, brief interventions at conferences, lectures etc., which all reflect the dynamics of generic development at NIAS.

NIAS opened a new venue of activities in 2001. A contract was signed with Danida (Danish international development assistance) to collaborate with the Central Institute of Economic Management in Hanoi, Vietnam, to develop research capacity in macro-economic research and to undertake a number of joint research projects.

The turnover at NIAS in 2001 was about DKK 10.5 mill. About 65 % was core funding from the Nordic Council of Ministers, with the balance generated from a number of sources, though much came from the Danida-funded project in Vietnam.

There were considerable staff changes at NIAS in 2001. Five core staff members left the Institute: Per Ronnås, director; Nicola Piper, senior researcher; Li Narangoa, senior researcher; Anne

## Activities and services

### RESEARCH

- Multidisciplinary research projects funded by NIAS or external sources

### RESEARCH SUPPORT

- Library services (access to physical and electronic resources)
- Information services (access to packaged information)
- Guest researchers
- SUPRA Scholarship programme for students (to visit NIAS and to travel to Asia)
- Joint supervision of PhD students
- Courses for PhD students
- Organization of conferences, seminars and workshops
- Networks and partnerships

### DISSEMINATION

- Publication – NIAS Press
- *NIASnytt*
- NIAS Update
- E-mail lists
- Organization of conferences, seminars and workshops
- Media presentations and reports to the media

### RESEARCH-BASED CONSULTANCY

- Policy-oriented research and analysis and policy advice
- Specific assignments for development organizations and consulting companies which call for research inputs

## The Nordic Dimension

Adding value to Nordic Asia research, NIAS

- *contributes to development of a platform for Asia research*
- *stimulates intellectual exchange within and between different disciplines*
- *seeks to bring coherence to scattered research environments*
- *contributes to development of a resource base of researchers through its many activities and other resources*
- *supports networking and provides access to these networks and our partnerships*
- *provides up-to-date information services on Asia*
- *stimulates collaboration with the Baltic countries and Northwest Russia*
- *publishes scholarly Asia research and disseminates research-based knowledge*
- *gathers and puts resources at the disposal for development of research capacity in Asia*
- *maintains a focus on the need for undertaking Asia research*

Schlanbusch, chief secretary; Birgit Klintebæk, bookkeeper. Replacements have been found: Jørgen Delman, director (from 1 January 2002); Cecilia Milwertz, senior researcher (from 1 September 2001); Geir Helgesen, senior researcher (from 1 March 2002); Dorte Juul Nyholm, chief secretary (from 1 January 2002); John Flemming Christensen, bookkeeper (from 1 December 2001). The new members of the NIAS team are all committed to continue developing NIAS and maintaining its high quality of research and services in the Nordic context.

### Prospects

The main challenge for NIAS in 2002 will be to increase the number of researchers attached to the institute and to generate additional external financing for its many activities. Furthermore, NIAS will be negotiating a new contract with the Nordic Council of Ministers. This will take place within the framework of an overall strategic assessment of the role of all Nordic Institutions.

During 2002, a new NIAS strategy will be put in place. The strategy covers the period until 2005, but conceptually it stretches longer. The strategy confirms the focus of NIAS's activities on 'modern Asia in transformation', in particular East and Southeast Asia. South and Central Asia will also attract due attention, however. The disciplinary focus will be within the social sciences, but take into account the need to work with interface disciplines within the humanities and natural sciences. A set of research themes have been identified (see below) which will guide NIAS's future activities. NIAS will attempt to increase its research staff to about 15, mainly through external financing.

NIAS information services should attain a leading edge and the library will continue as a unique resource for Asia research in the Nordic countries. Following the successful development in the 1990s, NIAS Press will acquire more independence as a publisher and will continue to grow to become a leading publisher in Asian studies.



### NIAS's research themes – a new guide for NIAS's activities

- *Violence, security needs and regional cooperation in Asia*
- *Women and gender in Asia*
- *Private sector and the state in Asia*
- *Asian governance and institutions in transition*
- *Social mobility and employment in Asia*
- *Society, culture and environment in Asia*
- *Social corporate responsibility in Asia*
- *Future research and Asia's political economy*
- *Youth and information and communication technology (ICT) in Asia.*

# Outputs in 2001

NIAS is managed under a contract with the Nordic Council of Ministers. The results in 2001 measured against the goals set out in the contract are shown below.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Result 2001</b>	<b>Contract Goals 2001</b>
<b>Research</b>		
Research activity, person years	5.2	6
Research productivity (all researchers)		
• monographs and edited publications	10	5
• scientific articles in recognised journals	17	13
• other shorter publications	23	9
<b>Nordic research support</b>		
Associated researchers (months)	57	55
Seminars and lectures	39	50
• of these Nordic researchers	15	-
Members of SUPRA programme (MA or PhD students)	440	-
• % SUPRA members that visit NIAS	15	15
Number of contact scholarships	35	27
• of these research scholarships	11	9
Number of visitors to library	5,327	2,000
Specialised e-mail lists	19	-
Subscribers to e-mail lists	1,658	-
Library loans	4,310	400
Inter-library loans	876	-
Hits on library home page	15,000	-
<b>NIAS scientific publishing</b>		
Published titles	10	12
• of these Nordic authors	7	8
Proposals for publications	53	22
<b>Intellectual exchange, public information and academic networking</b>		
Self-financed guest researchers	14	5
Workshops and conferences	3	4
Conference papers (not published)		
• by NIAS staff and associate researchers	24	12
Brief interventions at conferences, lectures etc.	22	-
Asia Updates	1	1
• participants in Asia Updates	85	30
Number of <i>NIASnytt</i> [NIAS news] issues	4	4
Consulting assignments	4	3
Active MoUs	14	3
• of these in publishing	8	-

# NIAS Research on 'Asia in Transformation'

Asia provides a fascinating field of research. This is to a large extent because of the dynamics of its development. Large parts of Asia stand out due to the pace of their development as well as the multifaceted nature of their economic, social, demographic and political change. Hence the main focus of NIAS's research is on the interplay between the factors conditioning the dynamics of change in contemporary Asia, while also considering the resource setting in which these take place.

As a Nordic focal point for research on contemporary Asia, NIAS has a broad mandate thematically and geographically. The research staff have pursued three core themes over the last few years: (1) human mobility; (2) governance and institutions in transition; (3) integration, disintegration and identity.

NIAS is a multidisciplinary institute covering all the social sciences plus modern history and interface disciplines in the humanities and natural and technical sciences. Our in-house research capacity includes researchers on NIAS's payroll, externally funded researchers who are based at NIAS, and visiting scholars. NIAS strives to maintain an intellectually stimulating in-house environment where researchers often meet to exchange ideas and views as well as critical analyses and observations.

The projects undertaken in 2001 by the research staff are listed on opposite page. The themes of their projects cover wide areas of interest and mostly fall within the three core themes. The researchers' activities and publications in 2001 are presented in detail on NIAS's web-page – <http://eurasia.nias.ku.dk/>

NIAS's current research strategy was formulated in 2000. In 2002, we shall expand the number of core research themes (see p. 4), while basically maintaining those that already exist. During the coming years, the themes will be used to guide our activities and to attract further interest from our sponsors to support NIAS's activities. However, NIAS will continuously be attentive to developments in the research environment requiring elaboration of new themes and adjustments in the current profile.

NIAS will also strive to attract more Asian researchers to work at the Institute.



# Research Projects at NIAS in 2001

Per Rønnås, *Director*

- Entrepreneurship in Vietnam: Transformation and Dynamics
- Globalisation in Asia

Timo Kivimäki, *Senior Researcher*

- US-Indonesian Diplomatic Relations
- Southeast Asian Inter-State Security
- Intra-State Conflict in Indonesia and in Developing Countries in General

Li Narangoa, *Senior Researcher*

- Japan's Colonial Education and Political Socialization
- Imperial Japan and National Identities in Asia, 1895–1945
- Religion and National Identity Building in post-Soviet Central Asian States
- Historical Atlas of Northeast Asia

Nicola Piper, *Senior Researcher*

- International Labour Migration and Protective Mechanisms – Labour and Human Right Implications for Asian Women in Japan
- Governance and Institutions in Transformation

Cecilia Milwertz, *Senior Researcher*

- Organizing for Gender Equality in China – a Process of Cultural and Political Change
- Chinese Women Moving Boundaries – Activism, Constraint and Support

Finn Tarp, *Team Leader, CIEM project*

- Social Accounting Matrix for Vietnam
- Globalisation and Vietnam in the International Economy: Policy Issues and Modern Analytical Tools

Ida Nicolaisen, *Associate Researcher*

- Pastoral Societies

Geir Helgesen, *Associate researcher*

- Korean Democracy in the 21st Century
- Good Government, East Asian and Western Perceptions

Irene Nørlund, *Associate researcher*

- Sustainable Livelihoods in Southeast Asia

Vibeke Børdahl, *Associate researcher*

- Chinese Storytelling
- Life and Art in the Yangzhou Tradition
- Translation into Chinese of the Oral Tradition of Yangzhou Storytelling
- Registration of Chinese Storytelling

Mads Holst Jensen, *PhD student*

- *Liumang* [hooligans/petty criminals] in China
- Legal reforms in China

Jacob Thrane Ibsen, *M.A. Student*

- Indonesia: The State of Poverty

# NIAS on New Turf – Development of Research Capacity in Vietnam

NIAS has been entrusted by Danida to implement the project for 'Strengthening the Development Research and Policy Analysis Capacity of the Central Institute of Economic Management (CIEM)'. The project will last for three years from 2001 to 2003.

The overall purpose is to strengthen the capacity of CIEM staff to provide sound economic policy advice based on high-quality research. Major progress until now includes (i) the establishment of a project office, (ii) the production of initial research outputs, (iii) the implementation of three training courses and one



*In October, Ms. **Ta Minh Thao** (left) and Ms. **Nguyen Thi Hien** from the Central Institute of Economic Management (CIEM) in Hanoi worked at NIAS together with **Carmina Cortés**, Stockholm School of Economics, on a study on SME development in Vietnam. The study is carried out within the framework of the CIEM/NIAS cooperation programme financed by Danida.*

policy seminar, (iv) two one-month research visits by two CIEM staff to NIAS, and (v) general backstopping of CIEM in a variety of areas, including the establishment of an intranet system. Planning of project activities for 2002 includes a series of analytical outputs based on a Social Accounting Matrix recently published by CIEM and a variety of other studies in the pipeline. Training and other capacity building will continue as well.

The project is led by the Director of NIAS, and the international staff includes Finn Tarp, Senior Researcher/Project Coordinator in Hanoi, and Professor David Roland-Holst from Mills College, Berkeley, California, as consultant. Various junior researchers are working on the project. Close collaboration exists with Vietnamese staff at CIEM, which is directed by Dr. Dinh Van An.

Project website: [eurasia.nia.ku.dk/ciemnias](http://eurasia.nia.ku.dk/ciemnias)

CIEM website: [www.ciem.org.vn](http://www.ciem.org.vn)



*Some of the Danish project workers visiting NIAS (from left): **Lotte Isager**, **John Rand**, **Finn Tarp** and **Jens Anders Kovsted**.*

# Two Examples of NIAS Networks

With easy access to efficient information via the new communication technology and fast and cheap travel available, networks have become more coherent and productive. NIAS researchers are also benefitting from these developments and are involved in different types of networks.

## **Women and Gender in Chinese Studies Network**

*This network facilitates broad-based, worldwide exchange among scholars on Chinese women's and gender studies. It is multi-disciplinary and the members are scholars, students and others with an interest in the topic. The aim of the network is to function as a data and resource base that will*

- *provide a site for members' research profiles and project details*
- *bring news of workshops, conferences and other events of relevance to the network*
- *give publicity to new publications within China women's/ gender studies, particularly to those in a language other than English – primarily but not exclusively in European languages*
- *facilitate communication and the exchange of ideas and of information.*

*At the forthcoming European Association of Chinese Studies (EACS) conference in Moscow in August 2002 the network has organized a Women and Gender panel spanning the disciplines of anthropology, sociology, political science, history and literature.*

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## **Indonesian Conflict Studies Network**

*This network was established in 2000 to facilitate collaboration between Nordic and Indonesian scholars. The core group of the network consists of nine Indonesian professors in conflict areas, Michael Jacobsen of the City University of Hong Kong and Timo Kivimäki of NIAS. The network facilitates the tutoring of Nordic students by Indonesian professors and Indonesian students by Timo Kivimäki. The network organized an international workshop at NIAS in August–September 2001 and subsequently, a guest fellowship at NIAS was held by Professor Pius Suratman Kartasasmita. Furthermore, the network sponsored, facilitated and organized the sharing of research data and collecting of information by Indonesian and Nordic students and scholars through altogether 82 interviews among Indonesian fighters, policemen and soldiers involved in Indonesian conflicts. The Finnish and the Danish Foreign Ministries sponsored the network and its projects in 2001. Network facilitator is Timo Kivimäki, NIAS, [timo.kivimaki@nias.ku.dk](mailto:timo.kivimaki@nias.ku.dk).*

## An International Workshop on Labour Migration and Socio-Economic Change in Southeast and East Asia

Recent decades have seen a surge in labour migration to levels suggesting the emergence of regional labour markets. It is arguably one of the most complex and controversial aspects of globalisation, with far-reaching consequences for both the donors and the recipients as well as for the individuals concerned. While the essential motivation for labour migration is often economic, its implications go far beyond the field of economics as they are also of a social, cultural and sometimes



political nature. This makes labour migration a highly complex topic for research, requiring the use of a broad gamut of approaches and disciplines in order to be fully understood.

Against this backdrop, an international workshop on Labour Migration and Socio-Economic Change in Southeast and East Asia was jointly organised in Lund during May 2001 by NIAS, the Centre for East and Southeast Asian Studies at Lund University and the Changing Labour Relations in Asia Programme (CLARA) in Amsterdam. The event brought together a large number of scholars from Asia and Europe and from the whole spectrum of social sciences for a few days of intense analysis and discussion of the commonalities and diversities of structures and experiences of migration in contemporary Southeast and East Asia. At NIAS, Per Ronnås and Nicola Piper were responsible for the success of this meeting.

# Globalisation in Asia: A Study for the Swedish Parliamentary Commission on Globalisation (GLOBKOM)

The demise of the Communist Block and the end of the Cold War created conditions for broader economic and political integration across national boundaries. One aspect of this development has been the reduction of formal barriers to international trade and capital movements. In addition to global agreements like the GATT and WTO, there have been ambitious attempts to achieve more comprehensive economic and sometimes political integration at the regional level in Asia. Another factor fuelling globalisation has been dramatic advance in modern information technology. Openness and outward orientation have created good conditions for growth and development in large parts of Asia, but globalisation has also brought new threats to economic, social and political stability. Indeed, globalisation has introduced a host of new policy issues and challenges in many spheres, ranging from the economic to the cultural and social, all in a sense related to the growing interdependence between countries.

Following a request by the Swedish Parliamentary Committee on Global Development, NIAS undertook a study on Globalisation in Asia – with Per Ronnås as team leader. This was both an input and background paper to the Committee's final overall report. Following a review of the main ingredients and characteristics of 'boom and bust' of the East and Southeast Asian economies, the study focused on the challenges facing the countries in the region in the aftermath of the financial crisis and as a consequence of increasing globalisation. The concluding section of the study argued that issues and challenges facing Asia on the one hand and Europe on the other are becoming increasingly similar.

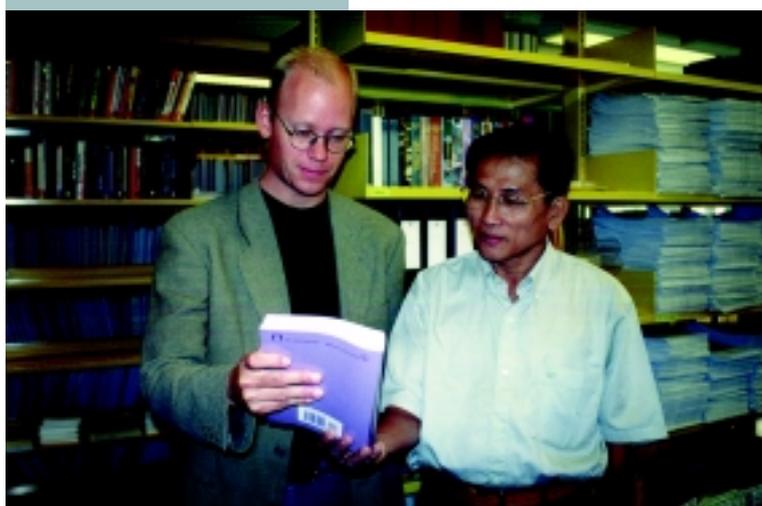


# A Unique Service: NIAS Library and Information

**The NIAS Library** contains the Nordic region's largest collection for the study of modern Asia within the social sciences and is a unique resource for Nordic Asia research. The collection contains 28,000 monographs and 1,550 journals and newsletters. Approximately half of the periodicals are current and primarily they are in Western languages covering most of Asia. The Library's acquisition policy is to collect all major works on modern Asian studies in Western languages within the defined fields of interest, i.e. politics, economics, history, anthropology, sociology and development studies. The Library adds approximately 1,500 volumes to the monograph collection every year. The Library is

also a depository library of the Asian Development Bank. The large periodicals collection is under constant development together with the collection of electronic resources.

**The NIAS library home page** – <http://eurasia.nias.ku.dk/Library/> – gives access to a considerable number of electronic resources. Extensive use of the new information technology is necessary in modern library and documentation work and the NIAS library plans further developments with this in mind. The Library Homepage was further expanded in 2001



by a specific page of current journals held by NIAS with links to the full text.

A computerized loan system was fully implemented. This has resulted in an increasing number of loans and also made it possible for users to renew loans via the Internet. More than 50% of journal titles are now in the serials check-in system, thus making it possible for users to check the holdings of journals via the Web. Also the acquisitions module has been put into service and altogether NIAS has benefitted in terms of both administrative procedures and service to users.

NIAS has also taken out a subscription to BBC Monitoring Online covering local news from Asian countries translated into English. This service can be accessed from library premises. In addition, the Library now has access to Bibliography of Asian Studies as part of ELEKTRA, the Royal Library's collection of electronic resources.

A growing part of the Library's role is to collect, evaluate and disseminate information on the rapidly expanding volume of Asian studies information on the Internet. Further, the Library constantly strives to make itself better known to the Nordic community in Asian studies and to other interested parties. We also inform other institutions and organizations engaged in Asian studies worldwide about our resources as part of a wider attempt of information exchange within Asian studies.

The Library collections can be retrieved in the automated catalogue hosted by the Royal Library in Denmark and it is

accessible via the NIAS Library homepage. The books in the monograph collections are available to Library visitors and to libraries in the Nordic countries through the interlibrary loan system. Journals cannot be borrowed, but photocopies of articles are available to other libraries on request. Articles may be photocopied on the spot by visitors to the Library.

Collaboration between Institut für Asienkunde/Deutsches Übersee-Institut, Hamburg, and the NIAS Library is becoming increasingly important. NIAS is regularly contributing to the International Relations and Area Database by indexing articles from 11 selected journals. The database contains approximately 550,000 records. The contributors have the possibility of ordering relevant material from each other.

## The NIAS Board

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The board members were photographed at a recent meeting (February 2002). *From left:* Hannes Hólmsteinn Gissurarson (I), Börje Ljunggren (S), Helge Hveem (N), Hans Blomqvist (F) and Clemens Stubbe Østergaard (D)

## The Jigsaw Puzzle:

### Putting Research Financing Together

*The Eurasia Political Culture Research Network (EPCReN) implements the research project 'Good Government: East Asian and Nordic Perspectives' with Geir Helgesen as project leader. The participants are from Japan, Korea, China, Finland, Sweden, Norway, and Denmark. The project was financed by the Danish Social Science Research Council with a grant covering the salary of the main investigator/project leader and some research expenses during a three-year period starting from September 1997. Additional support for workshops were granted by the European Science Foundation (ESF), Asia Section (Strasbourg) and from the Korea Foundation (Korea). Moreover the project has received support for national surveys and data analysis from: Velux Foundation of 1984 (Denmark); Danish Foreign Policy Institute, DUPI (Denmark); the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation (Sweden); the Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher Education (STINT), Centre for Pacific Asia Studies, CPAS (Sweden); Asia Research Fund (Korea). The Finnish members of the team received support from the Academy of Finland. The project will be finalised at NIAS in 2002. Further information at: <http://eurasia.nias.ku.dk/epcren>*

## Review highlights in 2001

"[Barr's *Lew Kuan Yew*] should be required reading for anyone trying to gain insight into one of the most successful politicians Asia has ever produced."

**Democratization** (8:3)

"[Cribb's *Historical Atlas of Indonesia* is] clearly above all former attempts of a similar nature with regard to Indonesia or Southeast Asia in general." **Asian Studies Review** (25:4)

"[An] excellent study. It should be a compulsory acquisition for all institutions and individuals who want resources on Indonesia."

**Pacific Affairs** (Summer)

"Kampen's study [*Mao Zedong, Zhou Enlai and the Evolution of the Chinese Communist Leadership*] ... is a valuable incremental contribution to the evolving scholarship on CCP history that has come out during the 1990s. Its detail and insights make it a worthy addition to any serious China research library."

**Journal of Asian Studies** (60:1)

# NIAS Press, an academic publisher

NIAS began publishing books in 1969, i.e. soon after the establishment of the Institute. Since then, the publication programme has produced an impressive number of books and working papers (to date about 120 monographs, 50 edited volumes and a similar number of shorter monographs or working papers). Output has increased markedly in the past decade from 1–2 to 10–20 titles per annum. A full list of books published in 2001 is below. A selection of books scheduled for publication in 2002 appears on the back cover.

Today our books are increasingly noticed and respected in the wider scholarly community, and the programme contributes significantly to the Institute's international profile. Three of our recent titles attracting much critical acclaim in 2001 (and selling well) were Michael Barr's *Lew Kuan Yew*, Robert Cribb's *Historical Atlas of Indonesia* and Thomas Kampen's *Mao Zedong, Zhou Enlai and the Evolution of the Chinese Communist Leadership* (see sidebar).

2001 proved to be a difficult year for the publication programme. Compared with 2000's bumper results, there was a drop in output, in part due to severe production problems at our UK partner, Curzon Press. No sooner was this situation resolved than the shock news came of the company's sale to Taylor & Francis and its subsequent merger with Routledge.

The last few months of 2001 were thus dominated by the need to rethink the nature of our business and its future direction. While this meant the delayed publication of several titles planned for 2001, important steps were being taken for the launch of NIAS Press as a new global publisher in Asian Studies early in 2002. Here, one measure vital to the future prospects of the Press was the signing of a new distribution agreement with Curzon (and implemented in 2002 by RoutledgeCurzon). Henceforth, all new NIAS titles will appear under the NIAS Press imprint but will be promoted by RoutledgeCurzon and made available worldwide via their global distribution network.

This is a major advance in NIAS' publishing programme and one that will benefit our authors. However, the launching of NIAS Press demands greater investments with 2002 promising to be a challenging but interesting year.

## Books Published during 2001

*Indigenous Peoples and Ethnic Minorities of Pakistan. Constitutional and Legal Perspectives*

Shaheen Sardar Ali and Javaid Rehman

NIAS–Curzon Press, April 2001, 192 pp., illus.

Hbk • 0-7007-1159-7 • £35

*Democracy, Development and Decentralization in Provincial Thailand*

Daniel Arghiros

NIAS–Curzon Press, Feb 2001, 317 pp., illus.

Hbk • 0-7007-1522-3 • £45 Pbk • 0-7007-1523-1 • £17.99

*Harvesting Development. The Construction of Fresh Food Markets in Papua New Guinea*

Karl Benediktsson

NIAS, in press December 2001, 320 pp., illus.

Hbk • 87-87062-92-5 • £45 Pbk • 87-87062-91-7 • £17.99

(North American co-edition sold to University of Michigan Press)



*Language Planning and Language Change in Japan*

Tessa Carroll

NIAS—Curzon Press, March 2001, 288 pp.

Hbk 0-700-1383-2 • £40

*Democracy in Malaysia. Discourses and Practices*

Edited by Francis Loh Kok Wah and Khoo Boo Teik

NIAS—Curzon Press, July 2001, 320 pp.

Hbk • 0-7007-1160-0 • £40 Pbk • 0-7007-1161-9 • £14.99

*Reforming Thai Politics*

Edited by Duncan McCargo

NIAS, in press December 2001, 320 pp.

Hbk • 87-87062-94-1 • £40 Pbk • 87-87062-93-3 • £15.99

(Asian co-editions sold to ISEAS and Silkworm Books)

*Coming of Age in South and Southeast Asia. Youth, Courtship and Sexuality*

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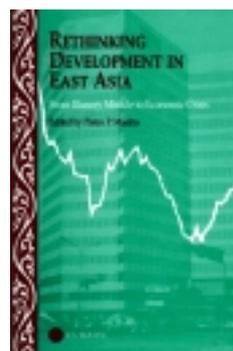
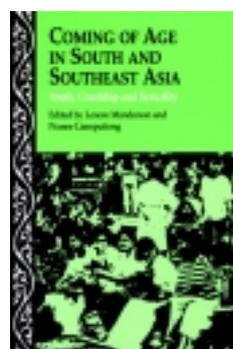
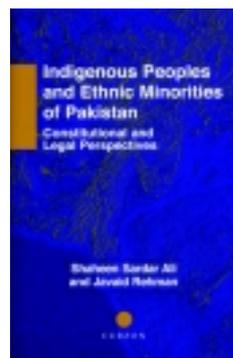
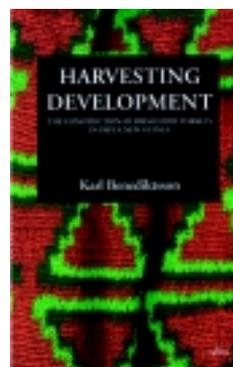
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