

# POSTCOLONIAL MIGRATION AND URBAN ENCOUNTERS

25 February 2015, 10am to 12pm (followed by lunch)

AS7 06-42 (Research Division Seminar Room), The Shaw Foundation Building,  
5 Arts Link, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, NUS Kent Ridge Campus

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Intersecting in/outflows of migrants from diverse cultural and national origins present an opportunity to probe, not only how the past shapes contemporary migration experiences in urban spaces, but also how the city constitutes postcolonial difference through migration. In one respect, past and contemporary migration converging in such cities manifest aspects of 'super-diversity' that precipitate new spatial struggles even as colonial legacies continue to inform the knowledge construction of 'race' and culture, skills and class, and other axes of postcolonial difference. Further, assumptions of periodised knowledges and centre-periphery relations remain to be interrogated more carefully in such discourses of postcolonial difference despite the more multifarious global power geometries observable in our world today. This roundtable event invites participants to reflect on how 'unfinished pasts and unstable presents' (Raghuram et al, 2013:124) collide during postcolonial migration and through urban encounters?

Chairperson : Professor Brenda Yeoh (Department of Geography, NUS)

Roundtable discussants : Dr. Michiel Baas (Asia Research Institute)

Dr. Peter Dirksmeier (Geographisches Institut, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

A/P Daniel Goh (Department of Sociology, NUS)

A/P Elaine Ho (Department of Geography, NUS)

| Programme |                                      |
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| 09.30 am  | Registration                         |
| 10.00 am  | Opening remarks (5 mins)             |
| 10.05 am  | Roundtable discussants (15 mins x 4) |
| 11.05 am  | Q&A and open discussion (45 mins)    |
| 11.50 am  | Closing remarks (10 mins)            |
| 12 noon   | Lunch                                |

Kindly email [fassmigration@nus.edu.sg](mailto:fassmigration@nus.edu.sg) to register by **18 Feb 2015**.

