

UC Berkeley, Center for Southeast Asia Studies
22nd Annual Conference
"Producing People and 'Nature' as Commodities in Southeast Asia"
February 4 –5, 2005

150 University Hall

Friday, FEB 4

DAY 1

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Peter Zinoman, Chair, CSEAS
Associate Professor, History, UC Berkeley

Nancy Lee Peluso, Chair, CSEAS 22nd Conference Committee
Professor, Environmental Science, Policy & Management, UC
Berkeley

9:15 – 11:00 a.m.

PANEL 1: Constructing "New" Commodities

"What's New with the Old? Restructuring Asia's Markets,
Reorganizing Indonesia's Timber Industry"

Paul Gellert, Cornell University

"Old Markets, New Commodities: Live Reef Food Fish in South
Sulawesi, Indonesia"

Dorian Fougères, UC Berkeley

"Commodifying Malaysian Resources: The Case of the Bio Valley"

Sandra Smeltzer, University of Western Ontario

Discussant: **Joseph Nevins**, Vassar College

11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Break

11:30 – 1:15 p.m.

PANEL 2: Producing "Natural" Commodities

"Nature as Commodity: Global to Local Iterations"

Tania Li, University of Toronto

"Colonizing the River: Converting Water into Property and Power in
the Mekong Basin"

David Biggs, UC Riverside

"Contingent Commodities"

Anna Tsing, UC Santa Cruz

Discussant: **Nancy Lee Peluso**, UC Berkeley

1:15 – 2:30 p.m.

LUNCH (on own)

2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

PANEL 3: Creating the Rational Subject

“Islamic Ethics and the Spirit of Neo-Liberalism: Market Islam in an Indonesian State-Owned Enterprise”

Daromir Rudnyckyj, UC Berkeley

“Image Repertoire: Marketing Managers’ Performances in Lao Hydropower Mitigation”

Jerome Whittington, UC Berkeley

“New Slaves of an Apparel Industry: Human Commodities and Disposable Bodies under a New Regime of Factory Production”

Piya Pangsapa, SUNY Buffalo

“Labor Strikes in an Age of Globalization: Vietnamese Garment Workers, Labor Unions, Global Civil Society and the State”

Angie Ngoc Tran, CSU Monterey Bay

Discussant: **Aihwa Ong**, UC Berkeley

Saturday, FEB 5

DAY 2

9:00 – 10:45 a.m.

PANEL 4: Radical Transformations on Land

“Post-Colonial Concessions, State Effects and Violence in Burma”

Ken MacLean, University of Michigan

“Property Rights in Land in Thailand: Explaining Institutional Change”

Tomas Larsson, Cornell University

“The New Million Hectare Plan: Spreading Palm Oil Plantations and Organizing Resistance in Central Kalimantan”

Greg Acciaioli, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore

Discussant: **Annette Clear**, UC Santa Cruz

10:45 – 11:00 p.m.

Break

11:00 – 1:00 p.m.

PANEL 5: Negotiating Between Scales of Space and Time

“Markets, Plantation Networks and Commodification in the Upland Mekong”

Keith Barney, York University

“Commodifying Bornean Forest: Transformation of the Kemena Basin Society in Sarawak, Malaysia”

Mayumi Ishikawa, Osaka University & **Noboru Ishikawa**, Kyoto University

"Shifts in Land Use and Commodity Production in Southern Thailand, 1985- 2004"

Peter Vandergeest, York University

"Producing Tree-Based Commodities in Indonesia: Historical Perspectives, Modern Issues"

Lesley Potter, Australian National University

Discussant: **Frank Hirtz**, UC Davis

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Discussion
Closed Session for Conference Panelists only

Moderated by **Nancy Lee Peluso**, UC Berkeley & **Joseph Nevins**, Vassar College

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Informal reception – all welcome