

Chiara Formichi
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- Since Jan 2018 Cornell University, Department of Asian Studies
Associate Professor with Tenure
Director of Undergraduate Studies (2020-)
- 2014-2017 Cornell University, Department of Asian Studies
Assistant Professor
- 2013-2014 City University of Hong Kong, Southeast Asia Research Centre
Associate Director
- 2011-2014 City University of Hong Kong, Asian and International Studies
Assistant Professor
- 2009-2011 Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore
Post-doctoral Fellow, Religion and Globalization Cluster

EDUCATION

- 2009 Ph.D., History of Southeast Asia
School of Oriental and African Studies, London (UK)
- 2005 M.A., Southeast Asian Studies
School of Oriental and African Studies, London (UK)
- 2004 Laurea *cum laude* (B.A. Hons), Islamic Studies
University of Rome "La Sapienza" (Italy)

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

- 2020 *Islam and Asia: A History* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).

Invited Book Talks and Interviews:

- Chat in The Stacks at Olin Library, Cornell University
New Books Network
Center for Islam in the Contemporary World (CICW) at Shenandoah University
Hollybush Lecture Series and Asian Studies Month at Rowan University

- 2012 *Islam and the Making of the Nation: Kartosuwiryo and Political Islam in 20th century Indonesia* (Leiden: KITLV/Brill).

Published Reviews: *Oriente Moderno* (2012); *Bijdragen tot de Taal-, Land-, en Volkenkunde* (2013); *Journal of Islamic Studies* (2014); *Asian Journal of Social Sciences* (2014); *Pacific Affairs* (2015); *Southeast Asia Research* (2015); *Indonesia* (2015)

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2021 "Displacing Political Islam in Indonesia," *Itinerario* FirstView doi:10.1017/S0165115321000267
- 2016 "Islamic Studies or Asian Studies? Islam in Southeast Asia," *The Muslim World*, 106 (4): 696-718.
- 2015 "(Re)Writing the History of Political Islam in Indonesia," *Sojourn*, 30 (1): 105-140.
- 2015 "Religion as an Overlooked Category in Hong Kong Legislation," *Asian Anthropology*, 14(1):21-32.
- 2015 "Introduction: Overlooked Religions in Hong Kong", *Asian Anthropology*, 14 (1): 3-7. (with P. O'Connor).

- 2014 “Violence, Sectarianism, and the Politics of Religion: Articulations of anti-Shi’a Discourses in Indonesia,” *Indonesia*, 98 (October): 1-27.
- 2014 “Shaping Shi’a Identities in Contemporary Indonesia between Local Tradition and Foreign Orthodoxy,” *Die Welt des Islams*, 54: 212-236.
- 2014 “From Fluid Identities to Sectarian Labels: A Historical Investigation of Indonesia’s Shi’i Communities,” *al-Jami’ah: Journal of Islamic Studies*, 52 (1): 101-126
- 2011 “Why did Kartosuwiryo Start Shooting?: an Account of Dutch-Republican-Islamic Forces’ Interaction in West Java, 1945-49,” *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies* 43(3):458-486. (R. Elson).
- 2010 “Pan-Islam and Religious Nationalism: the Case of Kartosuwiryo and Negara Islam Indonesia,” *Indonesia*, 90 (October): 125-146.

Editorship

- 2021 *The Status of Religious Pluralism in Indonesia* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press)
- 2021 Formichi (invited editor), *The Routledge Handbook of Islam in Asia* (London: Routledge)
- 2015 Formichi and Feener (eds), *Shi’ism in Southeast Asia: ‘Alid piety and Sectarian Constructions* (New York: Oxford University Press; London: Hurst Publishers). [Double-Blind Peer Reviewed]
- Published Reviews: *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* (2016); *Studia Islamika* (2016); *Pakistan* by Nile Green (2017).
- 2015 Formichi and O’Connor (guest editors), “Overlooked Religions in Hong Kong,” *Asian Anthropology* 14 (1). [Double-Blind Peer Reviewed]
- 2014 Formichi (ed.), *Religious Pluralism, State and Society in Asia* (London: Routledge). [Double-Blind Peer Reviewed]
- Published Reviews: CHOICE (2014)

Book Chapters

- 2021 “Studying Islam: The View from Asia,” in Formichi (ed.), in *The Routledge Handbook of Islam in Asia*, pp. 3-15
- 2020 “Performing Shi’ism between Java and Qom: Education and Rituals,” in Scharbrodt, Oliver and Yafa Shanneik (eds), *Shia Minorities in the Contemporary World: Migration, Transnationalism and Multilocality*, Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press
- 2018 “The Marginal State: Practicing Islamic Statehood in Independent Indonesia,” in G. Prakash, Michael Laffan and Nikhil Menon (eds), *The Postcolonial Moment in South and Southeast Asia* (London: Bloomsbury Academic), pp. 67-85.
- 2017 “Dār al-Islām and Darul Islam: from Political Ideal to Territorial Reality,” in G. Calasso and Giuliano Lancioni (eds), *Dār al-islām/dār al-ḥarb: Territories, People, Identities*, (Leiden: Brill), pp. 313-340.
- 2015 “One Big Family? Dynamics of Interaction among the ‘Lovers of the Ahlul Bayt’,” in *Shi’ism in Southeast Asia*, pp. 269-291.
- 2015 “Debating ‘Shi’ism’ in Muslim Southeast Asia,” in *Shi’ism in Southeast Asia*, pp. 3-15. (with R.M. Feener).
- 2015 “Indonesian Readings of Turkish History, 1890s to 1940s,” in A.C.S. Peacock and Annabel The Gallop (eds), *From Anatolia to Aceh: Ottomans, Turks and Southeast Asia* (Oxford: Oxford University Press), pp. 241-260.
- 2015 “Indonesia: un Universo Poco Noto,” [Indonesia: a little-known world] in Biancamaria Scarcia and Leila Karami (eds), *Il Protagonismo delle Donne in Terra d’Islam: Appunti per una Lettura Storico-Politica* (Roma, Ediesse) pp. 287-303.

- 2013 “Mustafa Kemal's Abrogation of the Ottoman Caliphate and its Impact on the Indonesian Nationalist Movement,” in Madawi al-Rasheed, Carool Kersten, Marat Shterin (eds), *Demystifying the Caliphate: Historical Memory and Contemporary Contexts* (New York: Columbia University Press; London: Hurst Publishers), pp. 95-115.
- 2013 “Religious Pluralism, State and Society in Asia,” in Formichi (ed.), *Religious Pluralism, State and Society in Asia* (London: Routledge), pp. 1-9.

Encyclopedia Entries (Peer-Reviewed)

- 2019 “Indonesia since 1942,” *The Encyclopaedia of Islam Three*, (Leiden: Brill).
- 2018 “Barisan Hizbullah,” *The Encyclopaedia of Islam Three*, (Leiden: Brill).
- 2018 “Kahar Muzakkar,” *The Encyclopaedia of Islam Three*, (Leiden: Brill).
- 2018 “S.M. Kartosuwiryo,” *The Encyclopaedia of Islam Three*, (Leiden: Brill).
- 2014 “Darul Islam,” *The Encyclopaedia of Islam Three*, (Leiden: Brill).

Other Refereed Publications

- 2014 “Contemporary Patterns in Transregional Islam: Indonesia’s Shi’a,” “Middle East Institute” (Washington, DC) Middle East-Asia Project (October).
- 2014 “Shi’a-Sunni Relations in Indonesia,” *Live Encounters* (January).
- 2012 “The Shadow of the Ayatollah,” *Inside Indonesia* 108 (Apr-June).
- 2011 “Lovers of the Ahl al-Bayt: Indonesia’s Shi’a are moving ahead between local traditions and foreign orthodoxy,” *Inside Indonesia* 105 (Jul-Sept).
- 2009 “Beyond Terrorism and Martyrdom,” *Inside Indonesia* 95 (Jan-Mar).

Book Reviews and Review Essays

- 2020 “Review: *Indonesia’s Islamic Revolution*, Kevin Fogg,” *South East Asia Research*, 28(4): 494-5.
- 2020 “Review of *Modern Times in Southeast Asia*, Protsky and Van Den Berg (eds),” *Bijdragen tot de Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde* (BKI), 176(4): 595-598.
- 2019 “Review: *Becoming Better Muslims: Religious Authority and Ethical Improvement in Aceh, Indonesia*, David Kloos,” *Southeast Asia Research*, 27(4): 441-443.
- 2015 “Review: *The Buddha on Mecca’s Verandah*, Irving Chan Johnson”, in *Southeast Asian Studies*, 4 (2):408-411.
- 2015 “Review: *Violence and Vengeance*, Christopher R. Duncan,” in *South East Asia Research*, 23 (1).
- 2015 “Review: *Islam and China’s Hong Kong: Ethnic identity, Muslim networks and the New Silk Road*, Wai-yip Ho,” in *Asian Anthropology*, 13 (2): 161-163.
- 2014 “Review: *The Makings of Indonesian Islam*, Michael Laffan,” in *Asiatische Studien/Etudes Asiatiques*, LXVIII (3).
- 2014 “Review: *Women, Leadership, and Mosques: Changes in Contemporary Islamic Authority*, Masooda Bano and Hilary Kalmbach, eds,” in *South East Asia Research*, 22 (1): 145-147.
- 2013 Review article: “Perspectives on the ‘Politics and Religion’ Nexus in Southern Asia,” in *South East Asia Research*, 21 (3): 545-550.
- 2013 “Review: *Islam in Hong Kong: Muslims and Everyday Life in China’s World City*, Paul O’Connor,” in *Asian Anthropology*, 12(1):76-78.
- 2012 Review Essay: “Is an Islamic Democracy Possible? Perspectives from Contemporary Southeast Asia,” Masdar Hilmy, *Islamism and Democracy in Indonesia: Piety and Pragmatism*; Julian C.H. Lee, *Islamization and Activism in Malaysia*, Bernhard Plattdasch, *Islamism in Indonesia: Politics in the Emerging Democracy*, in *South East Asia Research*, 20 (1): 133-138.

- 2012 “Review: *The end of Innocence? Indonesian Islam and the Temptations of Radicalism*, Andree Feillard and Remy Madinier (translated by Wong Wee),” in *Journal of South East Asian Studies*, 43 (2).
- 2012 “Review: *Heretics or Cosmopolitans?, New Muslim Intellectuals and the Study of Islam*, Carool Kersten,” in *Journal of International and Global Studies*, 4 (1).
- 2012 “Review: *L’Indonésie, entre démocratie musulmane et Islam intégral; Histoire du parti Masjumi (1945-1960)*, Rémy Madinier,” in *Bijdragen tot de Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde* (BKI) 168 (4).

Other Publications

- 2021 “New Decade, New Directions: Advancing the Study of Southeast Asian Religions” in “Notes and Comments”, *SOJOURN*, Vol. 36, No. 3.

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, HONORS AND RESEARCH GRANTS

Honors

- December 2021 Foreign Corresponding Member, ISMEO (Associazione Internazionale di Studi sul Mediterraneo e l’Oriente) (nominated and elected membership)

Fellowships

- Fall 2021 Visiting Professor, Naples University “L’Orientale,” Islamic Studies Center and Department of Asian, African and the Mediterranean Studies
- Spring 2020 Visiting Research Professor, Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore
- Fall 2019 Research Fellow, Royal Institute of Caribbean and Southeast Asian Studies (KITLV), Leiden, The Netherlands
- Fall 2017 Sabbatical Fellowship, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore
- Winter 2015 Research Associate, Southeast Asia Research Centre, City University of Hong Kong
- Summer 2013 Research Fellow, Royal Institute of Caribbean and Southeast Asian Studies (KITLV)
- 2008- 2009 Research Fellow, Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia
- 2007- 2008 Research Fellow, Syarif Hidayatullah Islamic University, Jakarta, Indonesia
- Summer 2007 Research Fellow, Royal Institute of Caribbean and Southeast Asian Studies (KITLV)

Awards

- 2021 Rosenthal Advancement of College of Arts and Sciences Women Faculty Research Award (continued excellence in research and dedication to teaching)

Grants

- 2019 Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University (\$10,000) (Research)
Society for the Humanities, Faculty Research Grant, Cornell University (\$3,000)
Einaudi Center “Inter-Program Initiative” Grant (\$6,000) (Conference)
- 2018 A&S Grant for a “Second Book” Manuscript Development Workshop (\$4,000)
Institute for the Social Sciences, Cornell University, Conference Research Grant (\$5,000)
Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University (\$2,000) (Conference)

- 2016 Institute for the Social Sciences, Cornell University, Small Research Grant (\$5,000)
Cornell University Professional Development Grant (\$2,080)
- 2015 Society for the Humanities, Faculty Research Grant, Cornell University (\$ 2,550)
- 2014 Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University (\$10,000)
- 2013 Early-Career Scheme, General Research Fund, Research Grants Council, Hong Kong (\$50,000)
- 2012 Start-up Grant, City University of Hong Kong (\$13,000)
- 2011 SEARC Small Research Grant (\$4,300)
Academic Event Funding, Asia Research Institute (ARI, Singapore)
BIAA-AseasUK Collaborative Research grant
- 2010 Academic Event Funding, ARI
Research Support Grant, ARI
- 2009 Research Support Grant, ARI

LECTURES AND PAPERS (* indicates invited talks)

2021

- *"Islamic Third-Worldism," Harvard Asia Research Center, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA [June 16, 2021]
- *"Beyond Centers and Peripheries: Islam and Asia," The Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Islamic Studies Program, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA [March 11, 2021]
- *Book Talk "Islam and Asia: A History" at the Hollybush Lecture Series and Asian Studies Month, Rowan University, NJ. [April 6, 2021]
- *Book Talk "Islam and Asia: A History," Chat in The Stacks at Olin Library, Cornell University, NY [February 19, 2021]

2020

- *Book Talk "Islam and Asia: A History" at the Center for Islam in the Contemporary World (CICW), Shenandoah University, VA
- "New Decade, New Directions: Advancing the Study of Southeast Asian Religions," Roundtable for the Religion in Southeast Asia Unit, AAR

2019

- *"Pious Moderns | Toward Healthy Progress," Public Seminar, KITLV, Leiden (the Netherlands).
- "Performing Islam, Arts and Ritual in Netherlands East Indies", lecture delivered at the NEH Summer Institute *Colonialism Experiences and their Legacies in Southeast Asia*, Hawai'i University at Manoa.
- "Honolulu Museum of Art Tour" Faculty Guide for Islamic Arts, at the NEH Summer Institute *Colonialism Experiences and their Legacies in Southeast Asia*, Hawai'i University at Manoa.
- Panelist for "Academic publishing information session and roundtable" at the 21st Cornell SEAP Graduate Student Conference, *Conformities and Interruptions in Southeast Asia*
- "Islam and Asian Studies" Roundtable organizer and Chair, Association of Asian Studies, Denver, CO.
- Harvard College Project for Asian and International Relations, member of panel "Religion: Victim of Oppression, Vehicle for Violence", Cambridge, MA.

2018

- "Is this Islamic?" paper presented in the panel "At the Heart of the Matter: Centers, Peripheries, Borders and Contestations in Islamic Studies, American Academy of Religions, Denver, CO.
- "Neither Sunni nor Shi'a, but surely other", Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Lunch Seminar, Cornell University
- * "Possession and Persuasion on/by the Field", SEAP Graduate Conference, Cornell University [Keynote]
- * Imagining Indonesian Islamic Art, Research Center for Material Culture, Leiden
- * Institute on Culture, Religion & World Affairs, Boston University

- * “Islam and Politics: from the Margins to the Centre,” Near Eastern Studies Department, Cornell University
- “Defining Asia’s cultural matrix?” A Panel on Museums of Asian Arts outside Asia: Questioning Artefacts, Cultures and Identities, *Art, Materiality & Representation*, British Museum, London

2017

- * “Colonialism, the State and Society: Ethno-Religious Intersectionalities in Asia,” *Trans-Asia as method: Exploring new potentials of “trans-Asian” approaches*, Monash University Prato Center (Italy)
- * “Islam Nusantara,” International Conference on Culture and Language in Southeast Asia (ICCLAS), Faculty of Adab and Humanities, Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University (Universitas Islam Negeri/UIN), Jakarta [keynote speaker]
- * “Invisible Minorities and Religious Pluralism,” Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore
- * “The Rohingya crisis: a window to understand post/colonial Asia,” Center for Global Asia, NYU Shanghai
- * “Is this Islamic History? Perspectives from Asia,” Division of History, Yale-NUS College, Singapore

2016

- * “Performing religion across the Indian Ocean: commemorating the family of prophet Muhammad in Indonesia,” *Symposium: Islam and the Performing Arts in Indonesia*, The Smithsonian’s Museums of Asian Art, Freer-Sackler.
- * “Islam, Nation, and Region: Darul Islam’s Conflicted Identity,” *Violence, displacement and muslim movements in Southeast Asia*, KITLV, Leiden (The Netherlands).
- * Round Table Discussion: “Religious Renewal,” *8th Southeast Asia Update*, Leiden University (The Netherlands).
- * “Enforcing Categories, Ignoring the Residual: racial and Religious Identities in Post/Colonial Southeast Asia,” *Religious Minorities in Asia: Historical, Political, and Social Approaches II*, NIU DeKalb (IL).
- * “Muslim Southeast Asia: local formation or global connections?,” *Making Southeast Asian Culture: From Region to World*, UC Berkeley (CA).
- * “Performing Religion across the Indian Ocean: Ashura commemorations in Indonesia,” *Shi’a Minorities in the Contemporary World: Migration, Transnationalism and Multilocality: International Conference at the Chester Centre for Islamic Studies*, University of Chester (UK).
- * “Performing Shi’ism in Indonesia,” *Trans-l Encounters: Religious Education and Islamic Popular Culture in Asia and the Middle East*, Philipps-Universität Marburg (Germany).

2015

- * “The Shaping of Shi’a Muslim Identities in Indonesia,” Columbia University, New York City.
- * Panelist at “Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices,” a *Rethinking Islamic Studies* Workshop, held at American Academy of Religion (AAR), Atlanta (GA).
- * Panelist at “Islam in Nusantara”, a seminar held at the United Nations, New York City (NY).
- * “Islam or Pancasila? Practicing Statehood in ‘modern’ independent, Indonesia”, *The Postcolonial Moment in South and Southeast Asia*, Princeton (NJ).
- * “Between Colonial Legacies and National Policies: The Racialization of Religious Groups and its Impact on Social (dis)unity”, *EuroSEAS Conference*, Vienna.
- * “Crossing Boundaries: Islamic Studies or Asian Studies? Islam in (Southeast) Asia,” *Shifting Boundaries: The Study of Islam in the Humanities*, UVM Burlington (VT).
- * “Between Colonial Legacies and National Policies: The Racialization of Religious Groups and its Impact on Social (dis)unity”, SEARC Lecture Series, City University of Hong Kong
- * “Researching ‘Religious Minorities in Asia’: methodological reflections from an on-going project”, *Religious Minorities in Asia: Historical, Political and Social Approaches*, City University of Hong Kong.

2014

- * “Between Colonial Legacies and National Policies: the Racialization of Religious Groups and its Impact on Social (dis)unity (1910s-2010s),” *Researching State and Personhood: Law and Society in South East Asia*, Centre for Asian Legal Studies, NUS (Singapore).
- * “Performing Religion: Commemorating the Family of the Prophet in Sumatra,” *Cosmopolis* conference “The Making of Religious Traditions in the Indonesian Archipelago: History and Heritage in Global Perspective (1600-1940),” Leiden University and UGM, Yogyakarta (Indonesia).
- “Assessing legal and social approaches to diversity in post-colonial Asia: Malaysia, Singapore, and Hong Kong”, paper presented at *AAS Conference*, Philadelphia (PA)
- “Performing religion: commemorating the family of the prophet in Java and Sumatra,” paper presented at *ICTM Study Group on Performing Arts of Southeast Asia* (PASEA), Bali (Indonesia).
- *Panellist at Asia Society (Hong Kong), “Continuous Horizons: Contemporary Art for Asia”, symposium held in conjunction with *No Country: Contemporary Art for South and Southeast Asia*, Asia Society Hong Kong.

2013

- * “Articulations of anti-Shi’a Discourses in New Order Indonesia,” *Forum on Plurality and Minority*, Universitas Islam Yogyakarta (Indonesia).
- * “Seeking Knowledge Ignoring Sectarianism: *Tarbiyah* Printing in 1980s-1990s Indonesia,” *De-centering Shi’ism? Traditional Authority and Transnational Religious Networks in Contemporary Shi’i Islam*, Princeton University (NJ).
- “Tracing Political Islam in Southeast Asia: pan-Islamism, Religious Nationalism, and Contemporary Transnational Networks” Panel organized at *EuroSEAS Conference*, Lisbon.
- “*Benjamin Britten on Stage and Screen: Reactions to, and Lasting Effects of, Their Performances in Indonesia*”, Britten Centenary Conference, University of Nottingham (UK).
- “Secularism and Modernity: Europe, Turkey and Indonesia (1920s-1940s)” *AAS Conference*, San Diego (CA).
- * “Secularism and Modernity: Europe, Turkey, and Indonesia (1920s-1940s),” *Religion, Secularism, and the Public Sphere in East and Southeast Asia*, Asia Research Institute, (Singapore).
- “Hong Kong’s Muslims Communities, paper presented at “The Role of Southeast and South Asian Migrants’ Religions in Hong Kong”, Hong Kong

2012

- * “Local Tradition and Foreign Orthodoxy: Shifting Paradigms of Ritual and Literary authority among Indonesian Shi’a,” Sydney University Public Lecture (Australia).
- * “Piety as Blasphemy?,” *Comparative Muslim Societies Program*, Cornell University (NY).
- * “A Middle Eastern text for Sundanese Leadership,” *Traditional Authority and Transnational Religious Networks in Contemporary Shi’i Islam*, University of Oxford (UK).
- * “Muslim Minorities in ‘Plural’ Asia: a Comparative Assessment of Indonesian Shi’a and Hong Kong Muslims,” *Muslim Minorities/Minorities in Islam*, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem (NC).
- * “Reshaping Shi’i Identities in Southeast Asia: between Local Tradition and Foreign Orthodoxy,” *From the Adriatic to the Sulu Sea: Islam and Identity in Southeast Europe and Southeast Asia*, The University of Chicago, Chicago (IL).
- * “Ideologies in Context: the Transfer of ‘Kemalism’ from Turkey to Indonesia,” *From Anatolia to Aceh: Ottomans, Turks and Southeast Asia*, BIAA, Banda Aceh (Indonesia).
- “dār al-Islām and Darul Islam: from political ideal to territorial reality,” *Dār al-islām/dār al-ḥarb: territories, people, identities*, La Sapienza, Rome (Italy).
- “Re-Shaping Shi’i Identities: between local tradition and Foreign Orthodoxy”, *Indonesia International Forum, Yale-Indonesia*, Gadjah Mada University (Indonesia).
- “Ideologies in Context: The Transfer of ‘Kemalism’ from Turkey to Indonesia,” *International Association of Historians of Asia* (IAHA), Solo, Indonesia.
- * “Ideologies in Context: the transfer of “Kemalism” from Turkey to Indonesia,” Public Seminar, KITLV, Leiden (the Netherlands).

- “Reshaping Shi’i identities in Southeast Asia: Between local tradition and foreign orthodoxy,” *Southeast Asia Project*, St Antony’s College, University of Oxford (UK).
- * “Husayni Compassion: bridging the gap between Sunni and Shi’a Muslims in Indonesia,” Workshop Paper, *Judaism, Christianity and Islam: Collaboration and Conflict*, HKU, Hong Kong.
- * “The Shadow of the Ayatollah: re-shaping Shi’i identities in contemporary Indonesia,” *SEARC Public Seminar*, City University of Hong Kong.

2011

- * “The Taboo of Political Islam in 20th century Indonesia: from Terrorism to Martyrdom,” *History as Controversy*, National University of Singapore (Singapore).
- “Placing Religious Pluralism in Asia’s Global Cities,” Asia Research Institute (Singapore).

2010

- * “From the Sultan’s Palace to Qom: ‘Ashura in Contemporary Java,” *Asia and International Studies Lecture Series*, City University of Hong Kong (Hong Kong SAR).
- * “Mustafa Kemal's Abrogation of the Ottoman Caliphate and its Impact on the Indonesian Nationalist Movement,” *Demystifying the Caliphate*, King’s College London (UK).
- * “Methods of Historical Research” (Masterclass Teachers’ Course in Indonesian Language), *International Centre for Aceh and Indian Ocean Studies (ICAIOS)*, Banda Aceh (Indonesia).
- * “Assessing the Impact of Turkey’s Kemalism on the Indonesian Nationalist Movement,” Public Seminar, Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, SOAS (London).
- “From the *kraton* to Hezbollah: Ashura in Java” *Asian Studies’ Association of Australia (ASAA)*, Adelaide.
- “The impact of Turkish Kemalism on the Indonesian nationalist movement,” *International Association of Historians of Asia (IAHA)*, Singapore

2009

- * “Darul Islam di Jawa dan Aceh,” (Indonesian Language), Al-Raniri Islamic University *Lecture Series*, Banda Aceh (Indonesia).
- * “From Cooperation to Opposition: Changes in the Relationship between the Darul Islam and the Republic of Indonesia,” *ENCOMPASS* (Encountering a Common Past in Asia), Medan (Indonesia).
- * “Government Change and its consequences on politically-charged literary production: the case of the fall of New Order and representations of S.M. Kartosuwiryo (1905-1962),” Seminar, Malay Studies Department, National University of Singapore.
- “Shifting relations between Kartosuwiryo’s Islamic State and Sukarno’s Republic (1948-1951),” Conference Paper, *International Convention of Asian Scholars (ICAS)* 2009, Daejeon (Korea).

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Media Presence

Cornell Chronicle

SEAP Bulletin, “If you ... see something, say something: Keynote Speech, SEAP Graduate Conference”, Fall 2018, pp. 4-7.

Asian Correspondent, “Burma’s ethnic minorities put their faith in Aung San Suu Kyi,” November 19, 2016 <https://asiancorrespondent.com/2015/11/burmas-ethnic-minorities-put-their-faith-in-aung-san-suu-kyi/>

IslamiCommentary: A forum for Public Scholarship, “Myanmar Historic Election Sunday Might be Victory for Democracy, but not for Country’s Muslims,” November 5, 2015 <http://islamicommentary.org/2015/11/myanmars-historic-election-sunday-might-be-victory-for-democracy-but-not-for-countrys-muslims/>

Voice of America Indonesia, “Wajah Muslim Indonesia Moderat Diangkat di PBB” [The moderate side of Indonesian Muslims upheld at the United Nations], July 6, 2015 <http://www.voaindonesia.com/a/wajah-muslim-indonesia-moderat-jadi-sorotan-di-pbb/2850965.html>

Jawa Pos, “Wajah Baru Islam di Bingkai Nusantara” [The new face of Islam is framed as “Nusantara”], May 31, 2015 <http://www2.jawapos.com/baca/artikel/18140/wajah-baru-islam-di-bingkai-nusantara>

Cornell Chronicle, “Chiara Formichi explores current, historic Islam,” by Linda B. Glaser, August 31, 2016 <http://www.news.cornell.edu/stories/2016/08/chiara-formichi-explores-current-historic-islam>

Cornell Chronicle, “Cornell Perspectives: Gaining an inside look at Iran,” April 15, 2015 <http://www.news.cornell.edu/stories/2015/04/cornell-perspectives-gaining-inside-look-iran>

Cornell Chronicle, “European Muslims face new challenges post-Charlie Hebdo,” February 18, 2015 <http://www.news.cornell.edu/stories/2015/02/european-muslims-face-new-challenges-post-charlie-hebdo>

Cornell Chronicle, “Arts and Sciences adds 11 humanities faculty,” August 7, 2014 <http://www.news.cornell.edu/stories/2014/08/arts-and-sciences-adds-11-humanities-faculty>

Consultancies

2020-2022 Pew Research Center, consultancy for a large-scale public opinion study on religious identity, belief and practice in Southeast Asia

2013-2015 MSF Doctors Without Borders (Hong Kong), supporting senior management in their planned return to Indonesia and more broadly advising on the role of religion in society in Southeast Asia.

2012 Path-Finders (NGO, HK), help developing a targeted service for Indonesian migrant workers (March).

2011 Students Development Services, City University of Hong Kong, coaching SDS staff on Islamic religion and cultures to help the integration of Muslim students (October).