

EXPLORING MARITIME HERITAGE DYNAMICS

< Interdependencies among maritime cities >

18 – 20 November 2015

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Nanyang Technological University
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Conference Chairs

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School of Art, Design and Media (ADM)  
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Assistant Professor CHEONG Siew Ann

School of Physical & Mathematical Sciences (SPMS)  
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## Wednesday, 18 November

8:30am- Registration

9:15am- Welcome speech by Chair of School of Art, Design and Media,  
Nanyang Technological University  
Vibeke SORENSEN

Opening speech by President of Nanyang Technological University  
Bertil ANDERSSON

Chair: Andrea NANETTI

9:30am- Keynote One - David ABULAFIA  
Professor of Mediterranean History in the University of Cambridge &  
Paphomas Professorial Fellow of Gonville and Caius College at Cambridge,  
United Kingdom  
*Writing the History of the Sea*

10:15am- Q&A

10:30am- Coffee break

### **Panel 1. Historical interdependencies among maritime cities, in Asia**

Chair: David ABULAFIA

11:00am- KWA Chong Guan  
Honorary Adjunct Associate Professor and Visiting Fellow at the Archaeological  
Unit of the Nalanda-Sriwijaya Centre at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies,  
Singapore & Senior Fellow, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies,  
Nanyang Technological University  
*The Idea of a Maritime Silk Road, and its Consequences*

11:30am- John MIKSIC  
Professor, Southeast Asian Studies Department, National University of  
Singapore  
*Location isn't Everything; the Mobility of Southeast Asian Ports*

12:00pm- Q&A for Panel 1

12:15pm- Lunch

### **Panel 2a. Rise and fall of hubs along the maritime silk routes**

Chair: John MIKSIC

1:00pm- Asmahan AL-GAROO  
Associate Professor, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat, Oman  
*The Rise and Fall of Maritime Hubs in Pre-Islamic Arabia*

1:30pm- MEI Qing  
Professor, College of Architecture and Urban Planning, Department of  
Architecture, Tongji University, Shanghai & Consultant Expert, WHITRAP-  
UNESCO Shanghai, China  
*Quanzhou/Zayton(718-1549): Landmarking the Rise and Fall of a City Port  
through History*

## Wednesday, 18 November

2:00pm- Moain SADEQ  
Associate Professor, Department of Humanities, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar  
*Islamic Maritime Connections and Trade with China and the Mediterranean during the Abbasid and Mamluk Periods*

2:30pm- Q&A for Panel 2a

2:45pm- Coffee break

### **Panel 2b. Rise and fall of hubs along the maritime silk routes**

Chair: KWA Chong Guan  
Honorary Adjunct Associate Professor and Visiting Fellow at the Archaeological Unit of the Nalanda-Sriwijaya Centre at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore & Senior Fellow, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University

3:00pm- Federico DE ROMANIS  
Associate Professor, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Rome, Italy  
*Rise and Fall of South India Maritime Hubs from Antiquity to the Sixteenth Century (Muziris, Mangalore, Calicut, Cochin)*

3:30pm- Dhiravat NA POMBEJRA  
Independent Scholar, Former Associate Professor, Department of History, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand  
*Ayutthaya as an International Port (1351-1767)*

4:00pm- Donna BRUNERO  
Senior Lecturer, Department of History, National University of Singapore  
*Embracing the Ocean: New Currents for Teaching Maritime History*

4:30pm- Q&A for Panel 2b

4:45pm- Adjourn

### **Event for speakers and panel chairs only**

5:00pm- Transport pick up at ADM lobby to Resorts World Sentosa

6:00pm- Guided tour in Maritime Experiential Museum and S.E.A. Aquarium™

7:15pm- Dinner at Resorts World Sentosa (RWS)  
Sponsored by RWS

9:15pm- Transport pick up at RWS to NTU Nanyang Executive Centre guest wing lobby

\* *Dress code: smart casual*

## Thursday, 19 November

Chair: Alan CHAN, Professor and Dean, College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University

9:00am- Keynote Two - Roger KAIN  
Professor, Dean and Chief Executive, School of Advanced Study, University of London, United Kingdom  
*Marine Charts and Maps in the University of Chicago Press: History of Cartography Project*

9:45am- Q&A

10:00am- Coffee break

### **Panel 3. Maritime space**

Chair: Roger KAIN

10:30am- Andrea NANETTI and CHEONG Siew Ann  
*Interactive Global Histories and the Maritime Space (1205-1533)*

11:00am- Angelo CATTANEO  
Associate Professor, The Portuguese Centre for Global History, New University of Lisbon, Portugal  
*Building a World Unified by Maritime Networks. Fra Mauro's mappa mundi between Venice and Lisbon, ca. 1450*

11:30am- Evelyn HU-DEHART  
Professor, Department of History, Brown University, USA & Visiting Professor, History Program, Nanyang Technological University  
*The Manila Galleon Trade: The Forgotten Silk Road of the Spanish American Empire 1565-1815*

12:00pm- Q&A for Panel 3

12:15pm- Lunch

### **Panel 4. Maritime heritage and the arts in international maritime centres**

Chair: Kristy KANG, Assistant Professor, School of Art, Design and Media, Nanyang Technological University

1:15pm- Stephen DAVIES  
Founding Director of the Hong Kong Maritime Museum and Lecturer, University of Hong Kong  
*Maritime Cultures: What were they, When were they and Where did they go?*

1:45pm- Harold THWAITES  
Professor, Faculty of Arts, Sunway University, Malaysia  
*The Atlas of Maritime Buddhism Project*

2:15pm- Venka PURUSHOTHAMAN  
Vice-President (Academic) & Provost, LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore  
*Reading Maritime Cultures: Visuality and Critique of Ports*

2:45pm- Q&A for Panel 4

3:00pm- Coffee break

**Thursday, 19 November**

**Panel 5. Maritime infrastructures, research facilities, and heritage dynamics**

Chair: Laura LONGO, Associate Professor, School of Art, Design and Media, Nanyang Technological University

3:30pm- Malcolm TULL  
Professor, School of Management and Governance, Murdoch University, Australia  
Chair, Organising Committee, International Congress of Maritime History  
(Seventh International Conference of Maritime History 2016)  
*Maritime Infrastructure and Heritage Dynamics*

4:00pm- Agamemnon TSELIKAS  
Director, Centre of History and Palaeography of the National Bank of Greece  
Cultural Foundation  
Adjunct Professor, University of Patras and University of Corfu' (Greece)  
*The Anticythera Mechanism. Research Facilities and Heritage Dynamics between  
Humanities and Technologies*

4:30pm- Auron TARE  
Director General, Albanian National Coastline Agency  
*Sazani Island (Albania). A Management Project*

5:00pm- Andrea BONIFACIO  
Deputy Director, Marco Polo System G.E.I.E. (Municipality of Venice)  
*Maritime Heritage: Networks of Mediterranean Institutions in Global Context*

5:30pm- Q&A for Panel 5

5:45pm- Adjourn

**Event for speakers and panel chairs only**

6:00pm- Transport pick up at ADM lobby to downtown

7:00pm- Dinner at Orgo Bar & Restaurant, 8 Raffles Ave, Singapore 039802

9:30pm- Transport pick up to NTU Nanyang Executive Centre guest wing lobby

**Friday, 20 November**

**Singapore Maritime Trails**

8:30am- Transport pick up at NTU [Nanyang Executive Centre](#) guest wing lobby to Fort Canning

9:30am- Stops for the trails - **Maritime Corner @ Fort Canning**, Robertson and Clarke Quay, **Singapore River**, **Raffles Landing Site**, **Boat Quay**, **Fullerton Hotel Building**, **Waterboat House**, Collyer Quay, Telok Ayer Basin, Raffles Quay, old sea coastline, Shenton Way to Keppel Road to Tanjong Pagar Terminal

Locations in green are walking tours and the rest are on the bus

12:30pm- Lunch

**Panel 6. Maritime education: inspiring the new generations**

Chair: KHONG Shen Ping, Dean, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore Academy

1:30pm- FANG Jiayun  
Deputy Manager, Community Engagement, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore  
*Building a Strong Maritime Singapore Identity*

2:00pm- Frederick J. FRANCIS  
Senior Lecturer, Singapore Maritime Academy, Singapore Polytechnic  
Albert TEO  
Vice-Commodore, Youth Skipper Flotilla Society  
*Embracing Maritime Silk Road Heritage from Ground-up with the X-factor*

3:15pm- Coffee break

3:45pm- Cheryl LIM  
Executive, Singapore Maritime Foundation  
*Profiling Maritime as the Industry of Choice*

4:15pm- ZHANG Rui  
Assistant Manager, International Maritime Centre, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore  
*Towards a Future-Ready Maritime Workforce*

4:45pm- WONG Kai Cheong  
Deputy Director, Shipping, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore  
*Towards a Future-Ready Maritime Workforce*

5.15pm- Q&A for Panel 6

5:45pm- Closing remarks by conference chairs  
Andrea NANETTI and CHEONG Siew Ann

6.00pm- End of conference and cocktail reception