



The Center for Asian Democracy at the University of Louisville
is proud to sponsor a workshop on:

"The Jasmine Revolution and the 'Bamboo' Firewall: The impact of the Internet and new social media on political change in East Asia"

Day One – Wednesday, August 24th

Location: Shumaker Building, Room 139

9:15am – 10:45am

Panel 1: The Comparative Politics of the New Media

Barrett McCormick (Marquette University)

"Old Theories and New Media: Political Change in Comparative Perspective"

Orion Lewis (Wesleyan University)

"China's Virtual Public Sphere: The Tension Between Information Openness and Social Unrest"

Randy Kluver (Texas A&M University)

"The Internet, Governance, and Democracy: Lessons from Singapore, Korea, and China"

Chair/Discussant – Shanthi Kalathil (World Bank)

11:00am – 12:30pm

Panel 2: Society, Technology and the State in Southeast Asia: Indonesia

Merlyna Lim (Arizona State University)

"Politics and Cultures of People Movements 2.0 in Indonesia"

Kikue Hamayotsu (Northern Illinois University)

"The Limits of Civil Society in Democratic Indonesia: Media Freedom and Religious Intolerance"

Chair/Discussant – Louisa Chiang (National Endowment for Democracy)

12:30pm – 2:00pm

Lunch Break

2:00pm – 3:30pm

Panel 3: The New Media in Southeast Asia: Spotlight on Malaysia

Asha Rathina Pandi (University of Hawaii, Manoa)

“‘Makkal Sakthi’ (People’s Power): Blogs, civil society and the 2007 Hindraf protest rally in Malaysia”

Meredith Weiss (SUNY – Albany)

“Parsing the Power of ‘New Media’ in Malaysia”

Thomas Pepinsky (Cornell University)

“Tak Nak Mereform: Contemporary Malaysian Politics in Historical Perspective”

Chair/Discussant – Jason Abbott (University of Louisville)

4:00pm – 5:30pm

Roundtable on Media Freedom, New Social Media and Democratization

All participants

Chaired by:

Shanthi Kalathil (World Bank)

with Louisa Chiang (National Endowment for Democracy), Jillian York (Electronic Frontier Foundation)

Day Two – Thursday, August 25th

Location: Shumaker Building, Room 139

9:00am – 10:30am

Panel 4: The Internet and Democratization in East Asia: Progress, Prospects, Pitfalls

Jason Abbott (University of Louisville)

“Democracy@Asia.Gov: Analyzing the socio-political impact of new information communications technologies and new social media in East Asia”

Muzammil Hussain (University of Washington)

“Digital Network Interventions by Southeast Asian Regimes, 1995-2011”

Chair/Discussant – Jillian York (Electronic Frontier Foundation)