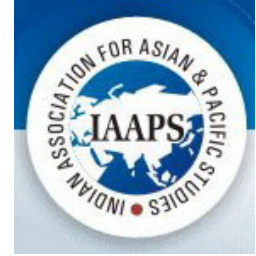




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**DEPARTMENT OF GEOPOLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS  
MANIPAL UNIVERSITY  
AND  
INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN & PACIFIC STUDIES**

**Announce  
The Eighth Biennial International Conference of IAAPS  
at Manipal University, Karnataka  
November 20-22, 2016**

Dear Colleague,

I have the honor to invite you to the Eighth Biennial International Conference of the Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies to be held under the auspices of Department of Geopolitics and International Relations, Manipal University

**DEPARTMENT OF GEOPOLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS,  
MANIPAL UNIVERSITY**

Manipal University has become a truly multidisciplinary institution where dissemination of knowledge and information remains a priority and hence it has become synonymous with excellence in higher education. It has 25,000 students from roughly 65 countries. The last six decades, have seen various institutions coming up at Manipal University and accumulating intellectual wealth and attaining academic excellence. In the overall evolution of Manipal University, it has created some of the country's best institutions across diverse streams like medicine, dentistry, engineering, pharmacy, hotel management, communication, humanities and strategic studies.

Manipal University, known for its quality education in health and engineering sciences felt the need to provide higher education (M.A. & Ph.D) in the field of Geopolitics and International Relations. This need arose as a result of the fast changing global security environment in the era of increasing economic interdependence in the globalised world. The course in Geopolitics and International Relations helps in understanding the complex nature of the evolving and rapidly changing interdependent world and provide a comprehensive explanation of the emerging international security issues. The teaching curriculum of M.A. in Geopolitics and International Relations has been designed in consonance with the contemporary world security environment.

The students in addition to classroom teaching are trained in conducting both policy and academic research on pertinent important themes impacting global peace and stability. The attempt is also being made to evolve India's perspective on all the issues relating to Geopolitics and International Relations.

It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that Manipal University will be hosting the Eighth Biennial Conference of Indian Association of Asian and Pacific Studies (IAAPS) in Manipal, Karnataka during 20-22 November 2016.

**The Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies** is a non-profit, non-governmental registered organisation (under Act XXVI of 1961, Government of West Bengal, India) devoted to academic activities on Asian and Pacific regions. The Association promotes research, conference, seminar, lecture programs and understanding of different Asian & Pacific regions in its cultural, social, political and economic scenario. The Association is a forum for scholars engaged in Area Studies to carry out social science oriented studies, which are to some extent inter- regional and inter-societal comparative studies. This Association in its past history of ten years has organized many prestigious national and international Seminars, Lectures and Conferences.

This Eighth Biennial International Conference will be a meeting point of scholars working on Asian & Pacific studies. We expect participation of scholars from all regions of Asia to enrich the already established network between Indian scholars & scholars across Asia-Pacific regions. We would request you and other colleagues who are members/intend to become members of the Association to make it convenient to attend this conference and contribute to its success.

### **Theme, Panels, Keynote Speaker**

#### **Theme**

## **Asia Pacific: Historical Overviews and Contemporary Dimensions**

#### **Panels :**

1. Geopolitical Concepts: Their evolving nature
2. Maritime Connectivity and Security in the Asia Pacific Region
3. Contest and Cooperation in Asia-Pacific region: Future Trajectories of Major Powers
4. India's Role in Asia Pacific Security Architecture
- 5..Movement of People: contexts of Diaspora
- 6..Gender and Society
- 7.Dynamics of Regionalism and Sub-regionalism
- 8.State, Society and Thinkers
- 9.Territorial Connectivity: India's north-east and Beyond
- 10.Social History of Science and Medicine

## : Keynote Speaker :

**Professor** Ken Masujima Department of Political Science  
Kobe University (Graduate School of Law), Kobe, Japan

## Dates for Submission of Abstract and Paper:

Both abstract & full text papers are to be submitted by e-mail and in word format only.	
June 15, 2016	Closing date for receipt of abstracts (word limit 200 words)
June 30, 2016	Notification of acceptance via e-mail.
August 31, 2016	Completed full text papers to be submitted by e-mail. (Word limit 2500 words)
<b>Abstracts should be sent by email to <a href="mailto:iaapsmanipal2016@gmail.com">iaapsmanipal2016@gmail.com</a></b> <b>Papers should be presented in English language only.</b>	

## How to join the Conference?

A member of the Association as well as non members can join the Conference by paying the requisite Registration and Local Logistic Fees. Members are to clear their dues till the financial year 2016-2017 & they are requested to pay it positively before **May 30 2016**. For details about membership, please visit the website of the Association as noted below.

Payment of Conference Registration Fees and Local Logistic Fees is compulsory for all.

All payments towards Registration fees should be made by Demand Draft in favour of *Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies Conference*, payable on any nationalized bank of Kolkata latest by August 14, 2016.

*Please note: We do not accept any outstation cheque or money order.*

**The mode of payment for the Local Logistics fees will be intimated in Circular II.**

## **: Registration & Local Logistic Fees :**

### **A. Member Delegates**

1. Registration fee of 500/- (Five Hundred only) payable by all South Asian Member Delegates and \$ 120 (One Hundred and Twenty only) in INR for non-South Asian Member Delegates.
2. Local Logistic Fees of 3000/- (Three Thousand only) to be paid by all South Asian & Non South Asian Member Delegates.

### **B. Non-Member Delegates**

1. Registration fee of ` 1000/- (One Thousand only) payable for South Asian non-Member Delegates and \$ 150 (One Hundred and Fifty only) payable for all non-South Asian non-Member Delegates.
2. Local Logistic Fees - 3500 (Three Thousand Five Hundred only) to be paid by non-Member South Asian and Non South Asian delegates.

*Please note: anyone who would like to receive a formal invitation letter (in addition to this Circular) has to take the membership of the Association positively by June 15, 2016 & should have acceptance about abstract from IAAPS .*

## **: Travel Subsidy :**

A limited number of travel subsidy may be available, subject to availability of funds for a few brilliant paper presenters to be decided by a Board of reviewers.

## **Accommodation**

Details about accommodation will be informed in local Secretary's Circular.

### **Post Conference Paid Up Excursion**

If there is a good number of requests, Manipal University may organize a post conference paid excursion trip to 1000 Pillars Temple at Moodbidri 50 Kms away from Manipal on first come first serve basis. One is requested to inform the Local Secretary about his/her interest

## IAAPS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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### Local Secretary

Dr **Nanda Kishor M S**, the Local Secretary will issue Circular II dealing with the logistics of the conference in due course. His contact e-mail & mobile no. are [-nanda.kishor@manipal.edu](mailto:nanda.kishor@manipal.edu) Telephone- **7829241663**

### Warm Greetings

Yours sincerely,

**Suchandra Ghosh**

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