



CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS
DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2007

*International Conference on Inter-Asian
Connections*

Dubai, UAE: February 21-24, 2008

The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) is pleased to announce an open call for proposals from faculty members at accredited universities and colleges in any world region, to organize and direct a 4-day thematic workshop at an international conference on “Inter-Asian Connections.” Workshop directors selected by the SSRC will be expected to help recruit and select 8 international workshop participants from across relevant disciplines in the social sciences and related fields.

To be held in Dubai, February 21-24, 2008, the conference will host multiple workshops showcasing innovative research from across the social sciences and related disciplines, on themes of particular relevance to Asia, reconceptualized as a dynamic and interconnected historical, geographical, and cultural formation stretching from the Middle East through Eurasia and South Asia, to East Asia. This expanded understanding should bring to the fore new and unanticipated research themes and cross-regional/trans-regional connections and formations. The conference theme of “Inter-Asian connections” is flexible enough to encompass a wide range of projects, from explorations of inter-regional historical and material connections (for instance, trade and migration flows; Asian international relations; the diffusion and exchange of ideas and ideologies), to cross-national and comparative investigations of contemporary political, socio-cultural, and economic processes.

We invite researchers to apply to organize a workshop on a theme of their choice. Each workshop may have one or two directors and will include 8 participants (graduate students, junior faculty, other researchers and scholars) chosen competitively. Workshop directors should have sufficient research experience on the region and themes of their proposals. The deadline for application submissions is **Friday, June 1, 2007**.

The full text of the call for proposals, along with information on the application process and selection criteria, is available at: http://www.ssrc.org/program_areas/global/papers/.

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