



## La Trobe Asia Blue Security Fellows 2024

### Expression of Interest

#### Overview

The Blue Security consortium is seeking expression of interest forms for early career scholars for the 2024 Fellowship Program. The Fellowship aims to support emerging researchers in Southeast Asia, promote diverse voices on maritime security and facilitate new research on maritime security. Each Fellow will produce one 8000-word Maritime Affairs publication and at least one shorter commentary. Alongside this, there will be funded opportunities to travel in Southeast Asia, and the successful Fellows will participate in at least one research workshop in 2024.

Fellows should demonstrate strong research skills and interest in maritime security issues in the Indo-Pacific, with a focus on one of Blue Security's three pillars of: order, law and power. The Fellowships will be based at La Trobe Asia at La Trobe University but located remotely. We are also looking for Fellows who are interested in enhancing research collaboration between Southeast Asia and Australia, and existing research collaborations and networks will be looked upon favourably. There is a strong preference for Southeast Asian Fellows that focus on Vietnam, the Philippines, Indonesia and Malaysia.

#### Details

**Remuneration:** Each fellow will be paid a stipend of \$5,000 AUD with opportunities for funded travel.

**Duration:** January-December 2024 (can be negotiated)

**Institutional Base:** La Trobe Asia, La Trobe University

**Location:** Remote

**Experience:** PhD candidate or 5 years post-PhD (not inclusive of career interruptions)

## About Blue Security

The Blue Security Program engages with and facilitates high-quality research on issues of critical maritime security across the Indo-Pacific. Bringing together leading regional experts in politics, international law and strategic studies, Blue Security focuses on three key pillars of maritime security: order, law and power.

Blue Security is a collaboration between La Trobe Asia, Griffith Asia Institute (GAI), University of New South Wales Canberra (ADFA), University of Western Australia's Defence and Security Institute (DSI) and the Asia-Pacific Development, Diplomacy & Defence Dialogue (AP4D). It produces working papers, commentaries, and scholarly publications related to maritime security for audiences across the Indo-Pacific.

Blue Security receives funding support from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia.

## Expectations

Successful recipients of the Fellowship will be expected to:

1. Produce high-quality research on maritime security issues in Southeast Asia. This includes one 8,000-word Maritime Affairs publication and at least one commentary;
2. Undertake at least two presentations of your work in progress and final research findings;
3. Participate in relevant Blue Security activities, including online dialogues and events;
4. Participate in a workshop in Southeast Asia;
5. Complete the project by December 2024.

Participation of in-person activities will be supported with funding from Blue Security. This includes travel and accommodation.

## EOI Materials

At this stage, we are accepting EOIs. We may ask for more information in future.

1. A one-page A4 statement explaining your interest in the Fellowship program and relevant research and work experience;
2. A short CV of no more than 4 pages.

Applications must be sent via email to [asia@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:asia@latrobe.edu.au)

The **deadline** for the application is **Day 31 October 2023**. Decisions to proceed with the EOI (or request for more information) will be made by 17 November 2023.

For any questions relating to this Fellowship or the Blue Security Program please contact:

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