

LA TROBE ASIA ANNUAL REPORT 2020



Virtual events defined 2020

Australia-China Relations panel: Hu Dan, Bec Strating, Richard McGregor, Michael Smith and Gerald Roche (Photo: Diana Heatherich, La Trobe University)

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This report provides a detailed overview of the range of activities undertaken by La Trobe Asia in its seventh year.

Introduction

La Trobe Asia develops, enhances and deepens the capacities of staff to engage with Asian societies, governments, think tanks and NGOs, producing and centralising the University's rich knowledge of Asia. It also leads and informs public debate and has developed an outstanding reputation for the quality and impact of the University's regional engagement, particularly through its use of podcasts, publications and events.

In 2020, La Trobe Asia was positioned within the newly created Global and Graduate Research (GGR) portfolio, responsible for leading La Trobe's international research efforts through research engagement and partnerships with overseas institutions. This led to a slightly different focus from previous years, but was one which embedded La Trobe Asia more deeply within the University.

Staff

Dr Bec Strating, Executive Director

Diana Heatherich, Senior Project Officer

Matt Smith, Digital Communications Officer

Governance

La Trobe Asia Steering Committee

The work of La Trobe Asia is overseen by its Steering Committee which met six times during 2020. In 2020 the members were:

- Professor Susan Dodds, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Industry Engagement) Chair
- Professor Simon Evans, Provost, College of Arts, Social Science and Commerce
- Professor Chris Pakes, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Graduate and Global Research
- Dr Stacey Farraway, Pro Vice-Chancellor, International
- Dr Sonia Reisenhofer, Associate Provost (International), College of Science, Health and Engineering
- Professor Wenny Rahayu, Head of School of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences, College of Science, Health and Engineering
- Associate Professor Savitri Taylor, Law, La Trobe Law School, College of Arts, Social Science and Commerce

La Trobe Asia Advisory Board

La Trobe Asia's Advisory Board provides advice and guidance to the Vice-Chancellor and the Executive Director on developments external to the University, in particular into developments in Asia's tertiary sector, opportunities for partnerships with Asian universities in research, teaching and student mobility. It also provides external advice on the operations of La Trobe Asia.

The Advisory Board for 2020 was comprised of:

- Professor Meenakshi Gopinath, Founder and Director of WISCOMP (Women in Security,
 Conflict Management and Peace) and Principal Emerita of Lady Shri Ram College, New Delhi
- Tuanh Nguyen, Director Legal, PriceWaterhouseCoopers
- Emeritus Professor Robin Jeffrey, La Trobe University and National University of Singapore
- Dr Geoff Raby, Chairman and CEO, Geoff Raby & Associates
- Dr Kristin Sadler, writer, speaker, advisor, mentor www.kristensadler.com
- Rowan Callick, author, columnist and Industry Fellow at Griffith University's Asia Institute

Public Events

Public lectures, forums, and seminars provide a platform for La Trobe Asia to showcase La Trobe University academic talent, to make interventions in issues of public debate and engage the University community. Events are generally open to staff, students as well as members of the public.

In 2020, COVID- 19 forced La Trobe Asia to rapidly re-evaluate and revise the way it continued to present events. What emerged, allowed La Trobe Asia to capitalise on the opportunities presented by restricted travel and increased use of communication technologies. Events quickly moved online and an increased number of people from around the world participated. We were also able to invite speakers from different parts of the world in ways that would never have been possible normally, due to the high cost of bringing them to Australia to do events in-person. We were successful in getting some high-profile presenters to provide their perspectives alongside La Trobe academics. And the Asia Rising podcast was recorded as an event, live, with members of the audience having an opportunity to ask their questions and interact with the guests.

In summary:

- Over 32 different events (seminars, panel discussions, launches, networking, live podcasts)
 were held in 2020 (see Appendix 1).
- La Trobe Asia collaborated with seven different internal and external groups to present these events, with total attendance of 3,404 people.
- Speakers (57 in total) included twelve La Trobe University academics covering their area of expertise, 22 from Australia and 23 international guests from 14 countries (Canada, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, India, Japan, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Switzerland, Taiwan, UK, USA):
 - Dr Chris Agius (Swinburne University)
 - Dr Monika Barthwal-Datta (University of New South Wales)
 - Professor Nick Bisley (Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, La Trobe University)
 - Penny Burtt (Group CEO of Asialink)
 - o Dr Kevin Carrico (Senior lecturer, Chinese Studies, Monash University)
 - Dr Priya Chacko (University of Adelaide)
 - Dr Danielle Chubb (Deakin University)
 - Associate Professor Nicole Curato (Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance, University of Canberra)
 - Professor Sara Davies (Griffith University)
 - Dr Jaz Dawson (The Refugee Hub, University of Ottawa)
 - Professor Moch. Sasmito Djati (Universitas Brawijaya)
 - Dr Helen Durham (International Committee of the Red Cross)
 - Anna Fifield (Journalist for Washington Post)
 - Professor Gordon Flake (Chief Executive Officer, Perth USAsia Centre)
 - Anthony Gartner (La Trobe University)
 - Professor Susan Harris-Rimmer (Griffith University)
 - o Bill Hayton (Associate Fellow, Chatham House Asia-Pacific)

- Assistant Professor Dan Hu (Deputy Director, Australian Studies Centre, Beijing Foreign Studies University)
- Yun Jiang (co-editor of China Neican)
- Professor Aris Junaidi, (Indonesian Ministry of Research and Higher Education)
- Lynn Kuok (Shangri-La Dialogue Senior Fellow for Asia-Pacific Security, International Institute for Strategic Studies)
- Frank Lavin (former White House Political Director; former U.S. Ambassador to Singapore)
- Benjamin Law (Australian author and journalist)
- Associate Professor James Leibold (Head of the Department of Politics, Media and Philosophy, La Trobe University)
- Professor Tzu-Bin Lin (National Taiwan Normal University)
- o Professor Vivian Lin (Public Health Practice, University of Hong Kong)
- Alies Lintang (Universitas Brawijaya)
- o Professor George Liu (School of Psychology and Public Health, La Trobe University)
- Tanvi Madan (Senior Fellow, Brookings Institute)
- Elo Mandeville (student Universitas Brawijaya)
- Richard McGregor (Senior Fellow, Lowy Institute)
- Sophie McNeill (Reporter, 4 Corners, ABC)
- Ramas McRae (La Trobe University)
- Professor Rory Medcalf (Head of the National Security College, Australian National University)
- Dr Susan Mercado (Special Envoy of the President for Global Health Initiatives, Philippines)
- Anu Mundkur (Flinders University)
- Professor Kaori Okano (La Trobe University)
- Associate Professor Sarah Percy (University of Queensland)
- Gregory Poling (Director of the Asia Maritime Transparency Initiative, Center for Strategic and International Studies)
- Alice Pung (Australian writer, editor and lawyer)
- Beth Radulski (La Trobe University)
- o Dr Gerald Roche (Senior Research Fellow, Politics, La Trobe University)
- Professor Utpal Sharma (Nirma University)
- Dr Kiran Shinde (La Trobe University)
- Dr Anita Smith (La Trobe University)
- Mike Smith (China Correspondent, Australian Financial Review)
- Professor Hendrawan Soetanto (Universitas Brawijaya)
- Dr Kyungjin Song (Director, FN Global Issues Center)
- Tim Soutphommasane (Professor of Practice Sociology and Political Theory and Director, Culture Strategy, The University of Sydney)
- Dr Bec Strating (Executive Director, La Trobe Asia)
- Andi Zulfajrin Syam (student Universitas Brawijaya)
- Dr Huong Le Thu (Australian Strategic Policy Institute)
- Professor Ed Vickers (Kyushu University)
- Dr Jasmine-Kim Westendorf (La Trobe University)
- Dr Achmad Wicaksono (Universitas Brawijaya)
- Vicky Xiuzhong Xu (Researcher, Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI))
- Professor Zha Daojiong (School of International Studies, Peking University)

- Events focused on a wide range of topics and issues in many different countries including: Democracy in Hong Kong; the Australia-China relationship; a review of Trump's impact in Asia; how Asia dealt with the pandemic; inclusion, diversity and multiculturalism in Australia; education and how it shapes national identity in Japan, Taiwan and Hong Kong; challenges to preserve India's heritage whilst embracing the future; and finally the critical issue of sexual abuse and exploitation during peacekeeping and humanitarian operations.
- La Trobe Asia co-hosted events with the Perth USAsia Centre, Universitas Brawijaya, the Australia-Indonesia Disability Research and Advocacy Network (AIDRAN), the Australia India Institute, and Kyushu University.
- By the end of 2020, La Trobe Asia's database of contacts had increased more than 50% to over 6,300.

Event feedback

- In response to being unable to attend an event, this email was received: "Ah what a relief! Thank you so much for getting back to me, can't wait to hear what was discussed. I've been absolutely loving each event. So engaging! Thanks Magnus" (email 19 February 2020)
- How Asia Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Pandemic event: "Dear Dr Bec. It was good webinar and I was fortunate to listen in. I would like to be on your mailing list. Regards, Lt Gen S L Narasimhan (Retd), PhD Member, National Security Advisory Board, India & Director General, Centre for Contemporary China Studies" (from India, email 19 May 2020)
- How Asia Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Pandemic event: "I also tuned in to the webinar last week and thought it was excellent. Not only was the topic great and the speakers on point, but your hosting and energy made it more enjoyable!" (Kristen Sadler, email 18 May 2020)
- How Asia Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Pandemic event: "Thank you for a most enjoyable Webinar discussion last night. It was very well coordinated. I tuned in and just watched and listened as it was my first participation. Please keep me informed of any future communications. Warm regards, Kantilal Jinna OAM MF JP" (from India, email 15 May 2020)
- How Asia Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Pandemic event: "Many thanks for broadcasting the excellent webinar on 14/5. Please can you put my name down for notification for future webinars on Asian topics, particularly those for East Asia." (Richard T Phillips, UK based, email 14 May 2020)
- Women in Australian International Affairs event: "Dr Strating La Trobe Asia. I have attended a few La Trobe Asia webinars/presentations but found "Women in Australian International Affairs", by far the most engaging of such forums. To this end, I wish to identify my attendance as representative of coloured women from the APAC region in Australian International Affairs and the private/NGO sector. I look forward to future discussions/ presentations/webinars hosted by La Trobe Asia." (Michel Stevens, email 9 June 2020)
- "As I have mentioned to you before (but I'll say it again!) the content the La Trobe Asia team is producing is really hitting the mark. The shift to online webinars has actually broadened the audience we promote to and increased the numbers who

- engage with it. Sometimes when forced to alter our approach we discover positive outcomes and this is a perfect example. Thank you again for keeping me abreast of the team's work." Cheers, Jane Kasby, AAO La Trobe (email 12 August 2020)
- Trump vs Biden: the US Election and Implications for Asia event: "It was a great discussion and some terrific quotes. I particularly liked the analogy of Trump driving a car by holding the horn down! Thanks for inviting us I think 3 of our team attended. Another great event you've put on." Kate Ritchie, Chin Communications (email 8 October 2020)

La Trobe University's 'Asia knowledge broker'

A key part of La Trobe Asia's role is to support the Asia focused work of La Trobe staff. In 2020 we continued to collaborate (virtually) with people across the University including: La Trobe International (LTI), La Trobe Abroad, Alumni and Advancement Office (AAO), Schools and Departments from both colleges, research networks such as Australia-Indonesia Disability Research and Advocacy Network (AIDRAN) and Asian Smart Cities Research Innovation Network (ASCRIN) along with many individual academics and researchers.

In Semester 2, 2020, La Trobe Asia trialled an internship program for students in the Media and Communications program at La Trobe. Two journalism students were trained and mentored by La Trobe Asia staff to produce content for both the La Trobe Asia and Global Research websites, as well as publications and social media stories. Given the success of the program, La Trobe Asia has committed to continuing the program in 2021.

Building a knowledge network

- We have continued to work closely to support La Trobe Abroad with New Colombo Plan (NCP) applications and other student mobility opportunities. In 2020, La Trobe had a record five students awarded NCP scholarships and one of those students was also selected to be the NCP Fellow for Japan, La Trobe's first NCP Fellow.
- We have continued to maintain the Country Briefs. These were developed in 2017 for each country in Asia (twenty-six in total). They are available for all La Trobe University staff to use and are found on the intranet. This resource captures most of the University's engagement in individual countries from transnational education (TNE), research, alumni, marketing, recruitment as well as general information from external sources. They can be customised upon request for internal or external use.

Promote the University's Asia vision and activities with the broader community in Australia and the region

La Trobe Asia collaborated with Universitas Brawijaya and AIDRAN to present an incredibly rich and enlightening discussion about developing an inclusive educational culture in higher education. The event was translated simultaneously in two languages: AUSLAN and BISINDO and close captioned in both English and Bahasa. It was particularly powerful to hear a range of first-hand experiences from Australian and Indonesian academics and students living with disability, who provided their valuable perspectives on learning and teaching at universities. It is through dialogues such as these that we can reflect on the barriers and expose ourselves to new ideas and knowledge about how to overcome them.



Inclusive Education event - October 2020

La Trobe collaborated with Kyushu University to deliver an online event for their 'Asia Week'. The panel (Professor Kaori Okano - La Trobe University, Professor Tzu-Bin Lin - National Taiwan Normal University and Professor Ed Vickers - Kyushu University) discussed the role of education in shaping national identity in Japan, Hong Kong and Taiwan. The discussion covered the politics behind education policy decisions, particularly around language and history, how these policies are implemented (or not) at the local level and the varying levels of success these policies have had in achieving particular political objectives around national identity.



Education and the politics of identity in East Asia today panel, September 2020

"Really enjoyed this one team! Such a great topic and nice to take a departure from the geopolitical games and disastrous Aus-China relationship we can't seem to escape from at the moment... Was also nice to see Kaori Okano on the screen as she was my first-year Asian studies lecturer and definitely had a big part to play on my career trajectory in those formative years! Well done Diana, Bec and the team!" Zach Eggleston (email 11 September 2020 re event with Kyushu University)

- La Trobe Asia launched two books in 2020:
 - Contest for the Indo-Pacific: Why China Won't Map the Future, Rory Medcalf, Black
 Inc. Books/La Trobe University Press
 - Violating Peace: Sex, Aid and Peacekeeping, Jasmine-Kim Westendorf, Cornell University Press



Violating Peace Book Launch – November 2020

La Trobe Asia published its fourth issue of the print publication The La Trobe Asia Brief, which provides a platform for commentary, research and analysis of policy issues that are of key importance in the Asian region. The work features La Trobe University academics working with collaborators based in the region and are written for an informed audience.



The fourth brief, A More Dangerous Place: Asia during the Trump Presidency comprises a series of opinion pieces, published with a creative commons license, examining the relationship between the United States and Asia by eight highly-respected experts with diverse views from across the region:

- Professor Nick Bisley (Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, La Trobe University)
- Natasha Kassam (Research Fellow, Diplomacy and Public Opinion Program, Lowy Institute)
- Sea Young Kim (Research Associate, East Asia Institute)
- Dr Huong Le Thu (Senior Analyst, Defence & Strategy Program, Australian Strategic Policy Institute)
- Professor Zha Daojiong (School of International Studies, Peking University)
- Associate Professor Nicole Curato (Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance, University of Canberra)
- o Dr Dina Afrianty (Research Fellow, La Trobe Law School, La Trobe University)
- Tanvi Madan (Director, The India Project, The Brookings Institution)

It was launched on 1 July 2020, online with a panel discussion between three of the authors (Nicole Curato, Huong Le Thu and Zha Doajiong) moderated by Dr Bec Strating.

La Trobe Asia published its eighth issue of the print publication Asia Rising, a 16-page print publication focussing on Asia related research. The publication showcases the work of La Trobe academics to improve knowledge of this work both internally and externally. Some of the stories were researched and written by the journalism interns.



La Trobe Asia continued to develop existing University partnerships including: the Australia India Institute (AII), Asialink, US Embassy, and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Through these partnerships, La Trobe Asia was invited to apply for funding opportunities for a variety of 'soft power' diplomacy projects and were successful in securing external funding for three projects to take place in 2021.

Making La Trobe a genuinely Asia-focused institution

La Trobe Asia Research Grant Program

The Research Grant Program was established in 2014 to provide funding to researchers working on topics relevant to Asia or in collaboration with Asian institutions.

- **2014** Around \$60,000 was disbursed to 13 researchers in July and August. To date, ten articles have been published, two others have been submitted, and one has been accepted for publication.
- 2015 Over \$60,000 was disbursed to a further 14 researchers in May. Eleven publications
 have resulted from these grants with a further two submitted and one accepted. Four
 research projects report as work in progress.
- 2016 Around \$30,000 was disbursed to a further six researchers in April. Four publications
 have resulted from these grants with a further three research projects reporting as work in
 progress.
- 2017 Around \$20,000 was disbursed to four researchers. Two publications have already resulted with another submitted for publication. Two of these researchers are continuing to finalise their projects.
- 2018 Over \$33,000 was disbursed to eleven researchers. Three have reported that their work has been submitted for publication, while one has been accepted. The rest are still in progress and on target for publication in 2020.
- **2019** \$46,150 was distributed to eight researchers. All have reported that their work is still in progress and on target for publication in 2020-21.
- 2020 \$29,967 was distributed to seven researchers. Most had to rework their projects to comply with restrictions related to the pandemic, so progress was delayed, and it is hoped that they will be able to complete their research in 2021-2022.

La Trobe Asia Visiting Fellows Grant Program

The La Trobe Asia Visiting Fellows Grant Program was established in 2016 to provide funding to bring Asia-based academics to La Trobe University to collaborate on research.

2016 – Four Fellows who visited La Trobe University to undertake new research
collaborations and which have resulted in seven publications with another one submitted.

- 2017 Four new Fellows visited La Trobe University. So far, their collaborations with La Trobe researchers have resulted in one publication. It is expected that publications from the others work will start to appear in 2019-2020.
- 2018 Three Fellows visited La Trobe University. One additional Fellow postponed his visit, arriving in early 2019. It is expected that publications from their work will start to appear in 2020-2021.
- **2019** Two fellows visited La Trobe University. It is expected that publications from their work will start to appear in 2021-2022.
- 2020 Four fellows were expected to visit La Trobe University in 2020, however the
 pandemic meant that those projects were either placed on hold or reworked to enable
 collaborations to be strengthened through alternative means.

Benefits of the Grant Programs – Academic feedback

The La Trobe Asia Research and Visiting Fellows Grant Programs have been of tangible benefit to the University as they enabled academics to undertake activities and generate output that would not have otherwise been possible. Below are some examples from previous recipients as to the impact of the grants on them:

- **Dr Dina Afrianty** (2019 Recipient) "Funding has not only supported our trips to Indonesia, but it has also benefitted several Indonesians especially those who have disabilities. In the workshop and focus group discussion activities we provided food for the day and reimbursed participants travel costs. ... When the Nominal Group Technique was conducted, we also taught our Indonesian disability advocates how they can also perform this for their own research. This is a two-way exchange which not only benefits us as researchers, but also the interaction between the Investigators and participants and knowledge sharing sessions at different places generally was very valuable for the Indonesian disability advocates. ...The fieldwork has strengthened the academic partnership between Brawijaya University, underpinned by an MOU between La Trobe University and Brawijaya University signed in 2018. Also, it opens new academic and research engagement with Law Faculty of Gadjah Mada University, in Yogyakarta. ...Important to note that through our fieldwork we have had the opportunity to work with Indonesian disability advocates who need capacity building to improve their research activities."
- Dr Sabrina Gupta (2019 Recipient) "The trip to India also allowed us to get to know the JSS team better in Mysuru where we delivered a workshop on graduate supervision as well. We have since commenced a couple of additional PhD projects in collaboration with them."
- **Dr Phuc Nguyen** (2019 Recipients) "With colleagues from other universities, I was successful with an ARC Linkage Grant (\$364,112)."
- **Dr Kayli Wild** (2019 Recipient) "Policy brief (in English and local language Tetum) was written and presented to Ministry of Health, specifically raising the issue that is stemming from our data with women survivors of violence, that family planning providers are asking for a husband's permission before they allow women to access contraceptives. This has resulted in a specific guideline about this being prepared for inclusion in the new National Reproductive Health Policy."

Lead and inform public debate about Asia, in Australia and in the region

La Trobe Asia and La Trobe's Asia-focused experts has had over 110 interactions with the media, including the following highlights:

- 23 Asia focused Op-Eds from La Trobe academics published in 2020
- 19 journal publications, three book chapters and two reports were published in 2020 (highlighted on the La Trobe Asia website under <u>Resources</u>). This figure includes one journal special issue edited by La Trobe academics.

Feedback:

Article written by a journalism intern: "I happened to stumble across (this article) but wanted to know a bit more about it – was it produced for La Trobe Asia page? It seems like it would have been produced for something like the conversation or something similar.... It's an awesome article." Jane Kasby, Alumni and Advancement Office – La Trobe (email 24 September)

Podcasts



Asia Rising is a podcast series launched by La Trobe Asia in March 2014. The podcast is interview format, with news, views and general happenings on Asian states and societies presented with La Trobe University academics or guests.

In 2020, **20** episodes of *Asia* Rising were released. 10 of these were recorded over zoom with a live audience. Additionally, there were **12** recordings of public events.

The *Asia Rising* podcast is published via RSS feed in Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Soundcloud, and a multitude of other podcasting platforms.

Standout podcast interviews of 2020

1. 'An Asian American in the White House' with Chris Lu.

Chris Lu served in the Obama administration as Deputy Secretary of Labor, White House Cabinet Secretary, and Co-Chair of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. He was the special guest on the 150th episode of *Asia Rising* to discuss American policy towards Asia and Asian Americans.

- 2. An *Asia Rising* mini-series was recorded in conjunction with the launch of the fourth issue of the *La Trobe Asia Brief,* titled 'A More Dangerous Place: Asia During the Trump Presidency'.

 Interviews were recorded with four of the contributing authors:
 - "A Wedge Between Koreas' (with Sea Young Kim): "At one time there was the hope that strongman personalities of Donald Trump and Kim Jong-un could push their way through diplomatic roadblocks, but with a year since their last significant meeting interaction has stalled."
 - 'India's High-Maintenance Relationship' (with Tanvi Madan): "While the strategic side of the relationship has not been without differences, there is a lot at stake for India-U.S. relations. India has unpredictable neighbours in China and Pakistan, and the United States is critical to the maritime security of the Indian Ocean."
 - 'Is Trump Making Asia a More Unstable Region?' (with Professor Nick Bisley): "Countries are adjusting and re-evaluating their perspectives on regional security, alliances are being tested, and many countries are facing the reality of an Asia without a United States presence."
 - 'Taiwan's Ally or Wildcard? (with Natasha Kassam): "The Trump administration has arguably provided more tangible and symbolic support for Taiwan than any previous U.S. presidency but how much of that is related to China?"
- 3. 'Singapore's Place in Asia's Pandemic Recovery' with His Excellency Mr Kwok Fook Seng is Singapore's High Commissioner to Australia.

Singapore has long been a global hub of business, uniquely positioned in the world of economics at a crossroads serving multiple time zones and business interests. How does a new reality of limited travel and pandemic restrictions look from Singapore and what changes can we expect in the global marketplace?

4. 'Japan after Abe' with Shiro Armstrong.

The retirement of Japanese prime minister Shinzo Abe was met with concern and dismay in Japan. Following in his footsteps is Yoshihide Suga, a public face of the Abe administration who emerged as a leading favourite. The 71-year-old is from a modest background and a self-made man, and would be an unusual leader in a country that favours political dynasties?



Appendix 1

Name of event (venue)	Date of Event	Type of Event	Partner	Country	Number attended
Networking Morning Tea (Bundoora)	17-Feb-20	Morning Tea	n/a	n/a	39
Democracy in Hong Kong: A Challenging Road Ahead (State Library Victoria)	18-Feb-20	Panel discussion	n/a	Hong Kong	143
Contest for the Indo-Pacific: Why China Won't Map the Future (State Library Victoria)	05-Mar-20	Book Launch	Asialink	n/a	109
International Women's Day Lunch (Bundoora)	06-Mar-20	Lunch	n/a	n/a	19
Networking Morning Tea (Zoom)	08-Apr-20	Morning Tea	n/a	n/a	22
Uyghurs For Sale (Zoom)	09-Apr-20	Panel discussion	n/a	China	108
Networking Morning Tea (Zoom)	14-May-20	Morning Tea	n/a	n/a	21
How Asia Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Pandemic (Zoom)	14-May-20	Panel discussion	n/a	Various including: China and India	199
Women and Australian International Affairs (Zoom)	03-Jun-20	Launch/ keynote panel/ mini symposium	n/a	n/a	114
South China Sea and Maritime Rule-Based Order (Zoom)	15-Jun-20	Launch and panel discussion	n/a	n/a	177

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Trump in Asia: A more dangerous place (Zoom)	01-Jul-20	Launch and panel discussion	n/a	Various including: China, Vietnam, Philippines	184
Trump and India: A more high-maintenance relationship (Zoom)	07-Jul-20	Live podcast	n/a	India	47
Growing up Asian in Australia (on24)	08-Jul-20	Panel discussion	Ideas and Society	Various	681
Networking Morning Tea (Zoom)	14-Jul-20	Morning Tea	n/a	n/a	13
Is Trump making Asia a more unstable region? (Zoom)	15-Jul-20	Live podcast	n/a	Various	65
Trump and Taiwan: Ally or Wildcard? (Zoom)	21-Jul-20	Live podcast	n/a	Taiwan	90
DNA harvesting and policing in China (Zoom)	12-Aug-20	Live podcast	n/a	China	83
Singapore's place in Asia's pandemic recovery (Zoom)	25-Aug-20	Live podcast	n/a	Singapore	78
Pandemics and Public Health Systems in Asia (Zoom)	02-Sep-20	Panel discussion	n/a	Various including: China, Hong Kong, Philippines	100
A Conversation with Chris Lu (Zoom)	09-Sep-20	Live podcast	n/a		72
Education and the politics of identity in East Asia today (Zoom)	09-Sep-20	Panel discussion	Kyushu University	Various including: Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan	106
Networking Morning Tea (Zoom)	30-Sep-20	Morning Tea	n/a	n/a	21
Japan after Abe (Zoom)	30-Sep-20	Live podcast	n/a	Japan	84

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Total number of events	32	Total number of partners	7	Total attendees	3404
Networking Morning Tea	24-Nov-20	Morning Tea	n/a	n/a	4
Violating Peace: Sex, Aid and Peacekeeping (Zoom)	24-Nov-20	Book Launch	n/a	Various	83
How will the Biden Presidency Affect Asia? (Zoom)	17-Nov-20	Live podcast	n/a	Various	76
Australia-China Relations: A New Low Point? (Zoom)	11-Nov-20	Panel discussion	n/a	China	151
India's Heritage: Preserving the Past While Embracing the Future (Zoom)	29-Oct-20	Panel discussion	Australia India Institute	India	90
Assessing India and Australia's strategic partnership (Zoom)	27-Oct-20	Live podcast	Australia India Institute	India	115
Inclusive and accessible education and services to students with disabilities in higher education (Zoom)	21-Oct-20	Seminar	AIDRAN and Universitas Brawijaya	Indonesia	106
Jokowi's Challenge: Indonesia in a Time of Change (Zoom)	13-Oct-20	Live podcast	n/a	Indonesia	50
Trump vs Biden: the US Election and Implications for Asia (Zoom)	07-Oct-20	Panel discussion	Perth USAsia Centre	Various including: Singapore, Korea	154

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