## "The Governance of Knowledge - Southeast Asian Perspectives"

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## **Abstract**

Scientific knowledge, an essential commodity for the development of a knowledge-based economy does not emerge by itself. It has to be nurtured and governed carefully to take roots, to be innovative and to be gainfully used. It will be shown, which socio-cultural conditions are necessary to utilize knowledge, which government and non-government policies have been employed and which results have been achieved. Based on field research in Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia, Indonesia and Vietnam science policies and institutional frameworks will be compared and evaluated. Some lessons for an effective governance of knowledge will be drawn.

## Speaker's profile

Prof. Dr. Hans-Dieter Evers, an Emeritus Professor of Development Planning, is Eminent Visiting Professor, Universiti Brunei Darussalam and Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research and International Studies, Universiti Sains Malaysia. His career led him from Monash University to Yale University, where he was Director of Graduate Southeast Asian Studies, to the University of Singapore, where he headed the sociology department, to Bielefeld University and the University of Bonn in Germany. He was Distinguished Visiting Professor of Sociology at the National University of Singapore, Visiting Professor at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris and Visiting Fellow at Trinity College, University of Oxford. His major publications include *Monks, Priests and Peasants: A Study of Buddhism and Social Structure in Central Ceylon* (Brill, 1972). Sosiologi Perkotaan (LP3ES Jakarta, 1982), Strategische Gruppen (Reimer, 1988), Southeast Asian Urbanism (ISEAS & McMillan, 2000) and as co-editor Governing and Managing Knowledge in Asia (World Scientific, 2005, 2nd ed 2010, 3rd ed 2013) and Beyond the Knowledge Trap, Developing Asia's Knowledge-Based Economies (World Scientific, 2011).