

HLS20

The 20th Himalayan Languages Symposium

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

16-18 July 2014

Conference website: <http://portal.cohass.ntu.edu.sg/HLS20/>



Third circular

We are pleased to announce that the 20th Himalayan Languages Symposium (HLS20) will be held in Singapore on 16-18 July 2014, hosted by the [Division of Linguistics and Multilingual Studies](#), and the Centre for Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University (NTU).

The registration page for the conference is now live – please see <http://portal.cohass.ntu.edu.sg/HLS20/registration.asp>.

Kindly note that all presenters must register by 13 June for their papers to be included in the conference programme. The discounted early bird registration fee is SGD \$40 for students and SGD \$100 for others; this rises to SGD \$60 and SGD \$120 respectively after 31 May.

The registration fee for the conference can be paid for by credit card; the fee covers admission to all main sessions of HLS20, daily lunches, refreshments and conference materials. An optional conference dinner at the cost of SGD \$50 per head will be held on the evening of 17 July; this cost is included in the registration fee for full-fee-paying participants but will have to be purchased separately by student participants and recipients of travel grants.

Visa requirements

Please see http://portal.cohass.ntu.edu.sg/HLS20/general_visas.asp for information on applying for a visa. *Conference participants from India and Pakistan please note that a visa is necessary for visiting Singapore.*

Letters of invitation/introduction

Please write to HLS20.email@gmail.com if you require a letter of invitation and/or introduction to attend the conference. These documents are required for visa applications. Please see http://portal.cohass.ntu.edu.sg/HLS20/general_visas.asp for more details.

Accommodation

If you are interested in staying on campus, please be informed that 12 May was the last day to send in your booking for a reserved room at the Nanyang Executive Centre (NEC), but you may still be able to secure a room booking by contacting NEC directly. We currently still have accommodation at the Halls of Residence available until 31 May.

Accommodation in the Halls of Residence can be booked during registration. Only twin rooms with shared bathrooms are available. These rooms are air-conditioned. In addition, as these rooms will only be available for the duration of this conference (FOUR nights only), please let us know if you will be **checking in later than the 15th or checking out earlier than the 19th**.

You are required to make full payment for the room during registration to secure a place. It will be a flat fee of \$320 for the four nights. The same fee applies even if you are staying for fewer nights/need to check out earlier. We will stop taking in bookings for these rooms when early-bird registration ends on **31 May**.

You can opt to share a room with a colleague. If you are unable to find someone to share a room with, you will be required to pay full price for the room. *During registration, you will be required to provide the name of the person you are sharing the room with in the space provided. Only one of you will have to purchase the twin-sharing option during registration.*

Please note that room sharing arrangements are the responsibility of the individual parties involved, and neither Nanyang Technological University nor the 20th Himalayan Languages Symposium committee takes responsibility for any dispute or claim arising from these arrangements.

Food is available on campus. We have multiple canteens located in various localities on campus, so you can be sure to find a canteen wherever you are. There are Indian and vegetarian options available. Expect to pay around \$5 for a meal in the canteens. Fast food like Subway and McDonald's is also available in Canteen A at the North Spine. Off-campus, Jurong Point is a major shopping mall just a short bus ride away, and the Jurong West neighbourhood right outside the campus will offer visitors a glimpse of the Singapore heartlands, as well as two hawker centres offering a wide range of local food options.

Conference programme

The conference program is currently being prepared and should be available on the webpage by end-June. Presenters will be notified by email as soon as the schedule of sessions is finalised.

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