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Title:

From Southeast Asia to Europe: Tracing the Roots and Routes of Transpacific Radicalism

Since the 19th century, Southeast Asian nationalists from Jose Rizal to Ho Chi Minh traversed national and colonial boundaries and crossed oceans in pursuit of

what Benedict Anderson calls as educational and political “pilgrimages.” In Europe and America, they found kindred spirits and allies for intellectual enlightenment

and political solidarity, and these relationships helped shape nationalist and independence movements in Southeast Asia.

In the 20th century, Southeast Asian activists and radicals continued this tradition. Many enlisted in the Spanish Civil War, studied in Russia, organized labor unions in

the United States, forged alliances with international radical organizations to raise funds and support causes back home. This panel looks at the roots and nature of

such movements—these circuits of transpacific and transoceanic radicalism—and to trace the routes Southeast Asian radicals took to support revolutionary causes at

home and abroad.

Single Session with 3-4 Presenters

Possible Presenters:

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Florentino Rodao,

Universidad de Complutense, Madrid

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