



DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION

The 12th Asia Week of the Department of Asia and the Pacific of the IIR took place on 24th-27th August. It was a successful event, which had the participation of all members of the Department, as well as the support of various Asian artistic and cultural organizations of the city of La Plata. On Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th and Friday 26th the different centers of the Department organized a series of academic lectures and presentations on different issues about the countries of the region. Wednesday 24th was China Day, where María Francesca Staiano, along with Matías Caubet, Solange Seijas, Isadora Soto and Andrea Pappier, members of the Center for Chinese Studies, presented papers. Also, the special conference "Discursive Traditions and the Role of Leadership in the People's Republic of China: The Case of Xi Jinping and The Governance of China" was given by Dr. Gustavo Santillán took place and the book "Studies on the People's Republic of China: International Relations and Domestic Politics", a product of the collaboration between CeChine and Censud, by Maria Francesca Staiano, Laura Bogado Bordazar, and Laura Bono was presented. Thursday 25 was Japan Day and Southeast

Asia Day, in charge of Laura Cea and Ezequiel Ramoneda, respectively. Friday 26th was Korea and India Day. Barbara Bavoleo, along with Estefanía Kuhn, Manuel Lee, María Florencia Colavita, Verónica del Valle, Matías Benítez and Micaela Colavita, members of the Center for Korean Studies, presented papers. Finally, Saturday 27th was the Cultural Day, when diverse cultural activities were carried out in the building of the Presidency of the University, with the participation of different artistic and martial arts groups of the peoples of East Asia, including exhibitions of Aikido, Sumo, Judo, Kendo, Japanese traditional dances and drums (taiko), Taekwondo practice and philosophy exhibition by Tung Yen, and Indian dances by María Luz Cohen.

It was in the context of this event that the 25th anniversary of the creation of the Department of Asia and Pacific of IIR was commemorated. The activity, organized on Thursday 25th, was presided by Cecilia Onaha, Coordinator of the Department, and included a brief of its history, making a recognition to those who participated or made fundamental contributions to it. Then a presentation was given by the international environmental specialist Pablo Martínez Lestard of the United Nations University - Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS), Japan, one of the first members of the Department. At the end a commemorative plaque was discovered.

Finally, we inform that from this numer onwards, the sections "News from the Centers and Chair" and "Conferences, Seminar and Courses at NULP" will be translated into English, so to keep informed out English-speaking readers about our activities.

Cecilia Onaha
Coordinator of the Department of Asia and the Pacific

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[NEWS FROM THE CENTERS AND CHAIR]

■ CENTER FOR CHINESE STUDIES (CECHINE)



Title: Study and Research Scholarship of the "Summer Camp" Program.

Description: Solange Seijas, Irma Henríquez and Lucas Pavez Rosales, members of the CeChine, received a scholarship from the Confucius Institute to study and research in the Summer Camp Program in China.

Date and Time: July

Place: People's Republic of China

Title: Participation in the Seminar "China 21st Century Historical Evolution and Current Reality" at UNR.

Description: Maria Francesca Staiano and Andrea Pappier presented their papers entitled respectively "Chinese Legal System: Evolution and Current Reality" and "China and its Current Cultural Policy" at the Seminar "China 21st Century Historical Evolution and Current Reality" at the Faculty Of Law of the National University of Rosario.

Date and Time: September 2nd

Place: Rosario, Argentina

Title: Class "The Procedural Law of the PRC" at the UNR.

Description: Maria Francesca Staiano gave a class entitled "The Procedural Law of the PRC" in the Master in Procedural Law at the Faculty of Law of the National University of Rosario.

Date and Time: September 5th

Place: Rosario, Argentina

Title: Study and Research Scholarship of the "Cooperation Program between the Ministry of Security of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Security of Argentina".

Description: Diego Riddick, member of the CeChine, received a scholarship to study at the Beijing Foreign Studies University (BFSU) under the "Cooperation Program between the Ministry of Security of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Security Argentina". The Program aims to strengthen coordination and cooperation between the security services of China and Argentina.

Date and Time: from September 2016 to August 2017

Place: People's Republic of China

■ CENTER FOR KOREAN STUDIES (CEKOR)



Title: Master's Scholarship.

Description: Manuel Cruz, member of the CeKor, received a scholarship to study at the Korea Development Institute.

Date and Time: from September 2016 to August 2018

Place: Sejong, Republic of Korea

■ CENTER FOR JAPANESE STUDIES (CEJ)



Title: Meeting with Ms. Yoshioka Chisato of the Japan Foundation.

Description: Cecilia Onaha met with Mrs. Yoshioka Chisato, who is in charge of the Japanese language teaching section at the Japan Foundation office in the city of San Pablo.

Date and Time: August 17th at 09:00 hs.

Place: Federative Republic of Brazil

Title: Exchange Trip of the "Co-Creative Education Program of Humanities and Sciences to Solve Global Issues Confronting Japan and Latin America".



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Description: Pablo Soto and Pablo Moreno, members of the CeJ, traveled to Japan to participate in the "Co-Creative Education Program of Humanities and Sciences to Solve Global Issues Confronting Japan and Latin America" at the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies.

Date and Time: from September 2016 to February 2017

Place: Japan

Title: Participation in the Centennial Celebration of the Japanese Association in Argentina.

Description: As part of the celebration of the Centennial of the Japanese Association in Argentina, a set of activities were organized in the city of San Miguel de Tucumán, paying homage to Argentina in the cradle of its Independence in the year of its Bicentennial. It had the invaluable support and participation of the local Japanese community, in addition to the National University of Tucumán, by means of its Rector - a former student in Japan - and the Center for Asian and African Studies, in charge of Prof. Liliana Palians of Cosiansi, Professor Sergio Naessens, Professor Keiko Saito, the Japanese language teacher, and researchers and students of the same university.

In the morning, two commemorative medals were handed out by two recognized artists at the Museum of the Historical House of Independence. The first medal is a commemorative of the Bicentennial and was given by Juan Pablo Marturano, Phd in Arts from Tama Art University of Tokyo, and the second is commemorative of the Centenary of the Association and was given by Morena Maehashi, daughter of a prominent Nikkei sculptor from Salta. This event was attended by a representative of the provincial government, authorities of the National University of Tucumán, authorities of Japanese Association, as well as members of the community.

In the afternoon the academic day was developed in the auditorium No. 2 of the Faculty of Philosophy and Letters of the National University of Tucumán, divided into two panels. The first one consisted of Luis Arguero, a PhD from Hiroshima University, Rodolfo Molina, a former PhD fellow at the University of Tokyo, and Cecilia Onaha, PhD from the School of Cultural Studies, Department of Japanese Studies, Graduate University of Advanced Studies of Kyoto, who presented their papers related to the political situation of the East Asian region, regional development in Japan and the link between Japanese and Okinawan culture. And the second consisted of Professors Sergio Naessens, Liliana Palacios, Engineer Luis Muraki and Arch. Keiko Saito, who presented their papers on the history of Japanese immigration to the province, undokai as a community cultural expression in Japan and in the Japanese Association in Tucumán, the development of the Japanese Association of Tucumán and the panorama of the teaching of the Japanese language.

Finally, the activities were completed with an artistic and cultural day in the same venue, with the participation of Tamiji Kanzawa, Rodolfo Oyamada, Lilia Ui, Solana Peralta and Hiroshi Kaneko, from the Japanese community of Tucumán and Salta, the Aikido school of Professor Armando Hamada, the Kizuna Daiko group of the Japanese Association of Salta, led by its president Moisés Onaga, Nicolás Kakisu of Santa Fe Wadaiko and in representation of the Japanese Association of Santa Fe, all under the direction of Bruno Ceconi of the Argentine Association of Taiko, Jorge Yohena with a presentation on Japanese cuisine, Analía Tengan, Mieko Itokazu and Elena Asato who presented Okinawan dances, Keila Santaella and Andres Sakuda with a sanshin presentation, and Ernesto Kimura, Vice President of Japanese Association, and the kendo group represented by Javier Rodríguez, Cintian Milanés, Andrea Fernández and Gonzalo Tanaka.

The event was sponsored by the Japanese Embassy in Argentina, the National University of Tucumán, the Japan Group of the Argentine Council for International Relations, ALADAA Argentina, and the Institute of International Relations - NULP, through the CeJ.

Date and Time: September 9th

Place: San Miguel de Tucumán, Argentina

■ CENTER FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES (CESEA)



Title: ASEAN Day at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Description: Ezequiel Ramoneda was invited to the celebration of the 49th Anniversary of the creation of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, held at the auditorium Manuel Belgrano of the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Date and Time: August 8th at 12:00hs

Place: Buenos Aires City, Argentina

Title: Participation in "Việt Nam Day" at the National University of Lomas de Zamora.



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Description: Ezequiel Ramoneda gave a presentation entitled "Economic Development of Việt Nam", in a conference on Việt Nam organized the Faculty of Economics of the National University of Lomas de Zamora, the Institute of Vietnamese Argentine Culture and the Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Việt Nam in Argentina.

Date and Time: September 8th at 19:00hs

Place: Lomas de Zamora, Argentina

Title: Participation in the Seminar "Elements for a Critical Perspective of Foreign Policy in South Asia: a Look from Argentina" at ACIR.

Description: Ezequiel Ramoneda gave a presentation entitled "The Indian Ocean Basin Association: its trajectory and importance for Argentina" at the seminar "Elements for a Critical Foreign Policy Perspective in South Asia: A Look from Argentina" organized by the Working Group on India and South Asia of the Asian Affairs Committee of the Argentine Council for International Relations.

Date and Time: September 30th at 12:00hs

Place: Buenos Aires City, Argentina

■ CHAIR FOR INDIAN STUDIES (CI)



Title: Participation in the Seminar "Elements for a Critical Perspective of Foreign Policy in South Asia: a Look from Argentina" at ACIR.

Description: María Agustina Cacault and Lucía Ibarra presented their papers entitled respectively "India: Modi's arrival in power and the Orientation of the Foreign Policy that he Boost " and "India-Argentina bilateral dynamics: the presence of Indian companies in our country" at the seminar "Elements for a Critical Foreign Policy Perspective in South Asia: A Look from Argentina" organized by the Working Group on India and South Asia of the Asian Affairs Committee of the Argentine Council for International Relations.

Date and Time: September 30th at 12:00hs

Place: Buenos Aires City, Argentina



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■ CENTER FOR CHINESE STUDIES (CECHINE)



Title: China Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week.

Description: China Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week organized by the Asia and the Pacific Department, IIR, with sessions on International Relations, Law and Cultural Policy. Also a special conference by Gustavo Santillan (UNC, CONICET), entitled "Discursive Traditions and the Role of Leadership in the People's Republic of China: The Case of Xi Jinping and the Governance of China", was organized and the presentation of the book "Studies on the People's Republic of China: International Relations and Domestic Policy" by CeChine and CenSud took place, in charge of Maria Francesca Staiano, Laura Bogado Bordázar and Laura Bono.

Lecturers/Speakers: Maria Francesca Staiano, Matías Caubet, Solange Seijas, Isadora Soto, Andrea Pappier, Laura Bogado Bordazar, Laura Bono

Date and Time: August 24th

Title: Seminar "People's Republic of China: Society, Culture and International Relations".

Description: Seminar entitled "People's Republic of China: Society, Culture and International Relations" was organized by the Confucius Institute at the Faculty of Legal and Social Sciences.

Lecturers/Speakers: Maria Francesca Staiano, Andrea Pappier, Laura Bogado Bordazar

Date and Time: from August 26th onwards

Title: Course "China in the XXI century and its relations with Latin America and the Caribbean".

Description: Course on International Relations entitled "China in the XXI century and its relations with Latin America and the Caribbean" at the Faculty of Legal and Social Sciences.

Lecturer/Speakers: Maria Francesca Staiano

Date and Time: September 29th

■ CENTER FOR KOREAN STUDIES (CEKOR)



Title: E-school Course "Contemporary Korea: Country Brand and Perspective of Latin America".

Description: Virtual course entitled "Contemporary Korea: Country Brand and Perspectives of Latin America" taught for NULP students in the framework of the E-school program for Latin America of the Autonomous University of Nuevo Leon and the Korea Foundation.

Lecturers/Speakers: Andrii Rishkov and Nayelli López Rocha, professors of the Autonomous University of Nayarit

Date and Time: Monday from August 22nd to December 5th at 18:00hs.

Title: E-school Course "Cities of the East: urban development of Korea and Asia Pacific".

Description: Virtual course entitled "Cities of the East: Urban Development of Korea and Asia Pacific" taught for NULP students in the framework of the E-school program for Latin America of the Autonomous University of Nuevo León and the Korea Foundation.

Lecturer/Speakers: Miguel Ángel Hidalgo Martínez, Professor of the University of Technology of Sydney

Date and Time: Wednesday from August 24th to December 7th at 18:00 hs.

Title: Korea Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week.

Description: Korea Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week organized by the Asia and the Pacific Department, IIR.

Lecturers/Speakers: Bárbara Bavoleo, Estefanía Kuhn, Manuel Lee, María Florencia Colavita, Verónica del Valle, Matías Benítez, and Micaela Colavita

Date and Time: August 26th



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Title: Publication "Opiniones en el IRI".

Description: Matías Benítez, member of CeKor, published an article on the situation after the North Korean nuclear tests in "Opiniones en el IRI".

Author: Matías Benítez

Date and Time: September 9th

■ CENTER FOR JAPANESE STUDIES (CEJ)



Title: Japan Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week.

Description: Japan Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week organized by the Asia and the Pacific Department, IIR. A special session on Japanese culture by Marian Moya (UNSAM), Veronica Mazzaro (NULP) and Alma Perez (NULP), entitled "Otaku and hyper connectivity in Argentine youth", and a special conference by Pablo Martínez Lestard (UNU, RSU), entitled "Study, Research and Teaching in Japan" were organized.

Lecturers/Speakers: Cecilia Onaha, Irene Cafiero, Francisco Domenici, Rodrigo Mesisca

Date and Time: August 25th

■ CENTER FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES (CESEA)



Title: Presentation of the publication "ASEAN Essay Contest: Compilation of Winner Essays 2013-2014".

Description: Ezequiel Ramoneda presented the publication "ASEAN Essay Contest: Compilation of Winner Essays 2013-2014" at the "Dr. Raúl Alfonsín" House of the National University of La Plata in the city of Buenos Aires. The 2013 and 2014 editions of the ASEAN Essay Contest were organized by the embassies of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) countries in the Argentine Republic, namely the Kingdom of Thailand, the People's Republic of Việt Nam, Malaysia, the Republic of Indonesia and the Republic of the Philippines. This initiative sought to encourage students and graduates of public and private universities in Argentina to write essays on issues related to ASEAN and the relations of Argentina with that organization. Together with the diplomatic representations of the region, a jury composed of academics specialized in the studies of Southeast Asia belonging to universities with a clear international projection towards that region was formed. They formed a network under the auspices of the Ministry of Education of Argentina through MISIONES and REDES projects within the framework of the University Promotion Program. Also it counted with the collaboration of the Argentine diplomatic representations in that region. In this way, the publication "ASEAN Essay Contest, Compilation of Winner Essays 2013-2014" is the result of the collaboration between embassies, ministries and universities in order to promote the people and countries of Southeast Asia as an area of study with its own identity within Asian studies in Argentina.

Lecturer/Speaker: Ezequiel Ramoneda

Date and Time: July 14th at 18:00hs.

Title: Southeast Asian Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week.

Description: Southeast Asian Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week organized by the Asia and the Pacific Department, IIR.

Lecturer/Speaker: Ezequiel Ramoneda

Date and Time: August 25th

Title: Conference on "The Philosophy of the Sufficiency Economy".

Description: Conference by Prof. Geoffrey Longfellow, Director of Special Projects of the Thailand Sustainable Development Foundation, entitled "The Philosophy of Sufficiency Economy" initiated by King Rama IX, was organized under the auspices of the Royal Embassy of Thailand in the Argentine Republic.

Lecturer/Speaker: Prof. Geoffrey Longfellow, Director of Special Projects of the Thailand Sustainable Development Foundation.

Date and Time: September 16th at 16:00hs.

Title: Conference on "History of Academic Relations between Argentina and Malaysia" and Inauguration of the First Malay Corner at IIR.



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Description: Ezequiel Ramoneda, together with the Ambassador of Malaysia in Argentina, HE Dato Mohd Ashri bin Muda, held a joint conference on the history of relations between Argentina and Malaysia in the framework of the inauguration of the first Malay Corner, with the corresponding donation of printed and audiovisual material by the embassy at the Center for South East Asian Studies of the Department of Asia and the Pacific of the Institute of International Relations.

Lecturers/Speakers: Ezequiel Ramoneda, Ambassador of Malaysia in Argentina, HE Dato Mohd Ashri bin Muda

Date and Time: September 29th at 16:00 hs.



■ CHAIR FOR INDIAN STUDIES (CI)

Title: Lecture by Anushree Bhatia.

Description: Lecture by Anushree Bhatia, entitled "Cultural Exploration: India and Argentina".

Lecturer/Speaker: Anushree Bhatia

Date and Time: August 17th

Title: Indian Day during the Asia and the Pacific Week.

Description: Indian day during the Asia and the Pacific Week organized by the Asia and the Pacific Department, IIR.

Lecturers/Speakers: María Agustina Cacault, Lucia Ibarra, Lucia Zanabria

Date and Time: August 26th



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