

PROGRAM

DAY 1 – MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER

8.15–8.45am	Registration and Tea/Coffee
8.45–9.00am	Conference opening Michael Wesley , Dean, College of Asia and the Pacific, Australian National University
9.00–10.30am	Political Review: Vietnam in 2017 Carlyle Thayer , The University of New South Wales, Canberra Vietnam's Economy in 2017 and Beyond Vu Thanh Tu Anh , Fulbright School of Public Policy and Management, Vietnam
10.30–11.00am	Morning tea break
11.00–12.30pm	On the Political Economy of Rice Policy in Vietnam Hoa-Thi-Minh Nguyen and Do Lien Huong , Australian National University (with co-authors Adrian Kay, Tran Cong Thang and Nguyen Thi Cam Nhung) The Dynamics of Inequality in Vietnam Nguyen Tran Lam , Oxfam Vietnam
12.30–1.30pm	Lunch break
1.30–3.00pm	Micro-politics of Contemporary Land Disputes in Vietnam Andrew Wells-Dang , Oxfam Vietnam Environment and Conservation: People, State and Civic Space in Vietnam Hiep Duc Nguyen , Ton Duc Thanh University, Ho Chi Minh City
3.00–3.30pm	Afternoon tea break
3.30–5.30pm	I just want Cam Thanh to be Beautiful like Cam Thanh: Organic Farming as Life Ashley Carruthers , Australian National University and Dang Huong Giang , Action for the City Migration as Survival Strategy in a Multi-ethnic Village of the Mekong Delta since 1975 Hisashi Shimojo , Kyoto University Illicit and Important: State, Industry and Local Livelihoods in the Mekong Cross Border Timber Trade Phuc Xuan To and Sango Mahanty , Australian National University
5.30pm	Closing for the day
7.30pm	CONFERENCE DINNER - Lemon Grass Thai Restaurant

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DAY 2 – TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

9–10.30am	Biopower with Socialist Characteristics: Poverty and Welfare in Post-Transition Vietnam Martha Lincoln , San Francisco State University
	Overload: The Crisis of Overcrowding in Vietnam’s Leading Hospitals Maria Stalford , Harvard University
10.30–11.00am	Morning tea break
11.00–12.30pm	Elderly Women’s Buddhist ‘Work’ as Continuity of Care and the Enchantment of Old Age in Contemporary Urban Vietnam Le Hoang Anh Thu , Hoa Sen University, Ho Chi Minh City
	The Troubled Generation: Urban Youth, Vietnamese Buddhism, and the Biopolitics of Precarious Mindfulness Dat Manh Nguyen , Department of Anthropology, Boston University
12.30–1.30pm	Lunch break
1.30–2.45pm	Hoa Hao Herbal Medicine and the Production of Merit Vo Duy Thanh , Australian National University
	Mediated Intimacy: Fandom as a Way of Life Ha Hoang , Western Sydney University
2.45–3.15pm	Afternoon tea break
3.15–4.30pm	Floating Academy: The Precarious Lives of Foreign Academics at an International University in Vietnam Jodie-Lee Trembath , Australian National University
	Policing Vietnam: An Ethnography of Police Culture, Norms and Practices in Transition Melissa Jardine , University of New South Wales Law School
4.30–5.00pm	Plenary Discussion
5.00pm	Conference closes
