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**PAFTAD FELLOWSHIP for YOUNG SCHOLARS**

**Announcement of Fellowships**

The Pacific Trade and Development (PAFTAD) International Steering Committee is seeking to select **6** aspiring researchers as PAFTAD Fellows to present papers on themes related to Asia Pacific trade and economic development. The 2009 Fellowships will take young scholars to Taipei where they will present their papers the day prior to PAFTAD's 33<sup>rd</sup> Conference on October 5 and participate in the PAFTAD Conference itself 6-8 October.

**Background**

Since its inception in 1968 the PAFTAD conference series has established itself as one of the leading sources of ideas and discussion on issues affecting economic development in the Asia Pacific. A private organisation with no formal government ties, PAFTAD has been, and continues to be, a driving force for ideas about policy innovation and development at both the national and regional levels.

The essence of PAFTAD's contribution is both intellectual and practical: it generates ideas about regional economic exchange and integration, provides empirical evidence to support or reject policy proposals and facilitates ongoing debate among policy influential experts. The ideas and evidence generated by PAFTAD have entered the public policy dialogue of most Asia Pacific economies, due in no small part to the intellectual and policy leadership shown by PAFTAD participants at both a national and regional level. Numerous PAFTAD alumni have occupied senior political and policy positions in regional governments and organisations, with Indonesian Minister of Trade Mari Pangestu, a long-time PAFTAD participant, being a recent example. The extent of PAFTAD's contribution to regional development was apparent in the formation of APEC.

Two of PAFTAD's earliest leaders, Professor Sir John Crawford and Dr Saburo Okita, were instrumental in leading their countries to establish the tripartite Pacific Economic Cooperation Committee (PECC). In turn PECC, which shares many

members in common with PAFTAD, developed recognition among nations of the region of the need for a framework to support and enhance the rapid growth in regional trade, investment and technology transfer: APEC.

To ensure PAFTAD continues to make a valuable contribution to development in the Asia Pacific region through investment in the next generation of scholars, the PAFTAD International Steering Committee is looking for **6** aspiring researchers to present papers on themes related to Asia Pacific trade and economic development.

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## Topics

We are looking for contributions related to any theme related to Asia Pacific trade and economic development. Applicants can choose to prepare a paper from one of the many topics that PAFTAD has covered in the last thirty years or examine a related issue likely to be of importance to the region and its future. The list of past PAFTAD Conference themes below gives some idea of the topics that PAFTAD has covered.

- *Asia Pacific Trade and Development*
- *Direct Foreign Investment in Asia and the Pacific*
- *Obstacles to Trade in the Pacific Area*
- *Structural Adjustments in Asian-Pacific Trade*
- *Technology Transfer in Pacific Economic Development*
- *Cooperation and Development in the Asia Pacific Region: Relations between Large and Small Countries*
- *Trade and Employment in Asia and the Pacific*
- *Mineral and Energy Resources in the Pacific Area*
- *Regional energy security*
- *ASEAN in a Changing Pacific and World Economy*
- *Trade and Growth of the Advanced Developing Countries in the Pacific Basin*
- *Renewable Resources in the Pacific*
- *Energy and Structural Change in the Asia Pacific Region*
- *Pacific Growth and Financial Interdependence*
- *Industrial Policies for Pacific Economic Growth*
- *Pacific Trade in Services*
- *Technological Challenge in the Asia-Pacific Economy*
- *The Pacific Economy: Growth and External Stability*
- *Economic Reform and Internationalization: China and the Pacific Region*
- *Pacific Dynamism and the International Economic System Corporate Links and Foreign Direct Investment in Asia and the Pacific*
- *Environment and Development in the Pacific: Problems and Policy Options*
- *Business, Markets and Government in the Asia Pacific: Competition Policy, Convergence and Pluralism*
- *Asia Pacific Financial Deregulation*

- *APEC: Challenges and Tasks for the 21st Century*
- *Globalization and the Asia Pacific Economy*
- *The New Economy in East Asia and the Pacific*
- *Competition Policy in the New Millenium*
- *Reshaping the Asia Pacific Economic Order*
- *Does Trade Deliver what it Promises?*
- *Multinational Corporations and the Rise of a Network Economy in the Pacific Rim*
- *International and Regional Institutions and Asia Pacific Development*
- *The Politics and Economics of Integration in Asia and the Pacific*

## **Submission of Entries**

Registration and submission of entries must be e-mailed to [paftad.sec@anu.edu.au](mailto:paftad.sec@anu.edu.au) . Participation in the competition will require the submission of a short abstract, as well as a full paper, and a curriculum vitae, including date of birth, and nationality. Participation in the conference will also require prior submission of presentation slides.

## **Eligibility**

- Aged 35 years or younger;
- University staff member or post-graduate student.

## **Language**

Contributions must be submitted in English.

## **Length of Papers**

The abstract should summarize the planned content of the paper in a precise and succinct way and be no more than 250 words in length. The paper should be between 5,000 and 10,000 words in length.

The presentations at the PAFTAD Conference will be for no more than 15 minutes, with some additional time for questions and interaction.

## **Format**

The abstract and paper must be submitted as plain text via e-mail. We ask for submission of the slides in PowerPoint format.

## **Selection of Fellows**

Fellows will be selected, on the basis of the quality of the written paper submitted, by a Selection Panel from PAFTAD's distinguished International Steering Committee, and the Fellowships will be organized through the Host Organizing Committee for PAFTAD 33 in Taipei and the PAFTAD Fellowship Secretariat. The decisions of the Selection Panel shall be final.

## Remuneration

The PAFTAD International Secretariat will provide

- Return economy airfare to the PAFTAD conference. The next Conference will be in Taipei, Taiwan on the 6-8 of October 2009.
- Accommodation, meals and *per diem* for duration of PAFTAD conference
- Paper to be published on the PAFTAD and EABER websites following the conference.

## Important Dates and Contacts

Abstracts and papers are to be submitted no later than **30 June, 2009**.

Successful Fellows will be advised on **31 July 2009**

The six Fellows chosen are to present and submit their papers on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October, 2009, a day prior to PAFTAD's 33<sup>rd</sup> Conference on October 6-8. Scholars are also expected to participate in the PAFTAD Conference itself.

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