

Call for Expressions of Interest

ARC Asia Pacific Futures Research Network 2008 Signature Event

Crossing Borders of Cultural Meaning in the Asia Pacific

Each year the ARC Asia Pacific Futures Research Network hosts a conference relating to its signature theme. In 2008 this will be “Crossing Borders of Cultural Meaning in the Asia Pacific”. It is intended that the year will concentrate on religion and culture in the region. The network will fund the event with \$50,000 and it is anticipated that the event will be held in September, October or November of each year.

We are now calling for Expressions of Interest to host this event from among the ARC-APFRN membership.

Closing Date for 2008 EOI: October 30 2006

In writing the EOI explain how you will address the listed goals of the Signature Event outlined below.

The Signature Events for each year is the largest single activity for the Network in each year.

- It is envisaged as the focus for stimulating activities on the annual research theme by bringing as broad a cross section of the Network’s constituency together including formal network participants, students, ECRs, industry partners and members of the community.
- It should draw researchers and practitioners of international and national prominence to the event as speakers and workshop leaders.
- Training and networking for Postgraduate students and ECRs should be integral to the event’s structure and content.
- International speakers invited to the event should also move to 2 other capital cities for spin-off events in these locations either before or after the main event. Collaboration with Network Node leaders at these 2 additional locations will facilitate the hosting of these additional events.
- Cultural and artistic events to which the broader Australian public is invited should also feature within the program.
- The Signature Event should publicize the network’s activities and interests to the broader Australian public.

In addition to addressing the dot-points above, your submission should also provide:

- an overview of the proposed budget,
- description of the facilities at the host institution,
- a proposed list of invited speakers
- an overview of the proposed program

Submissions should be not more than 5 pages and should be emailed to Professor Louise Edwards, Convenor, ARC-APFRN at louise.edwards@uts.edu.au.