



# Southeast Asian Politics Research Development Group (RDG)

Wednesday, 10 September 2025 – Ambleside II, Vancouver Pinnacle Downtown

8:45 – 9:00	Participants arrive	
9:00 – 9:20	Greetings, introductions, and agenda review	Samantha Wirth, Risa Toha, Nhu Truong, Kai Ostwald
9:20 – 10:05	Attawat Assavanadda, “What does China’s rise mean to ethnic Chinese overseas? A qualitative study of Sino-Thais”	Discussant: Jacob Ricks
10:05 – 10:50	Bui Thi Minh Ha, “The Role of Urban Governance to Flood Adaptation: Case Study in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam”	Discussant: Nhu Truong
10:50 – 11:00	Break	
11:00 – 11:45	Myat Su Tin, “Political Events and Public Political Engagement in Authoritarian Contexts: Evidence from Operation 1027 in Myanmar on Facebook Pages”	Discussant: Kai Ostwald
11:45 – 12:30	Professional Development Session: Getting Published	All
12:30 – 2:30	Hosted lunch – Five Sails (for authors, discussants, and facilitators) R Level, 410 - 999 Canada Pl, Vancouver, BC V6C 3E1	
2:30 – 3:15	Hurriyah, “Navigating shrinking space: Civil society's adaptive struggle in Eastern Indonesia”	Discussant: Risa Toha
3:15 – 4:00	Duy Trinh, “How Citizens Use Informal Ties to Make Sophisticated Observations of Authoritarian Elite Politics”	Discussant: Elvin Ong
4:00 – 4:15	Break	
4:15 – 5:00	Roundtable: Networking, Conferences, and Tips for making the most out of APSA	All

## Paper discussion format:

- 5 mins author introduction: *Authors should use this time to introduce the paper and provide context for their research, reminding others what theory/literature the research speaks to; describe stage of completion and next steps.*
- 30 mins group comments: *The primary discussant will lead with their comments, followed by feedback from other attendees. Authors may reply to any direct clarifying questions but should primarily listen and take notes in order to receive as much feedback as possible.*
- 10 mins author comments/questions