

# Special Lecture Series on Trans-boundary Crossing and Circulation:

## Taking Territory Seriously in a Fluid, Topologically Varied World

Friday, September 15, 2023

Conference Room 1, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica

### Program

13:50~14:20	Registration
14:20~14:30	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Dr. Kuan-Chi Wang 王冠棋 (Associate Research Fellow, Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies (CAPAS), RCHSS, Academia Sinica)
<b>Session I</b>	
<b>Special Lecture</b>	
14:30~16:00	<b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Kuan-Chi Wang 王冠棋 (Associate Research Fellow, Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies (CAPAS), RCHSS, Academia Sinica)
	<b>Speaker:</b> Dr. Alexander Murphy (Distinguished Professor, Department of Geography, University of Oregon, Academia Europaea) <b>Title:</b> <i>Taking Territory Seriously in a Fluid, Topologically Varied World: Reflections in the wake of the populist turn and the COVID-19 pandemic</i>
16:00~16:20	Coffee Break
<b>Session II</b>	
<b>Discussion Session</b>	
16:20~17:40	<b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Ling-I Chu 朱凌毅 (Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, National Changhwa University of Education); Dr. Kuan-Chi Wang 王冠棋 (Associate Research Fellow, Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies (CAPAS), RCHSS, Academia Sinica)
	<b>Discussant:</b> Dr. Jinn-Yuh Hsu 徐進鈺 (Distinguished Professor, Department of Geography, National Taiwan University) Dr. Chien-Yi Lu 盧倩儀 (Research Fellow, IEAS, Academia Sinica)
17:40-17:50	Coffee Break
<b>Conclusion Session</b>	

17:50~18:20	<p><b>Moderator</b>  Dr. Ling-I Chu 朱凌毅 (Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, National Changhwa University of Education); Dr. Kuan-Chi Wang 王冠棋 (Associate Research Fellow, Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies (CAPAS), RCHSS, Academia Sinica)</p> <p><b>Discussant:</b>  Dr. Alexander Murphy (Distinguished Professor, Department of Geography, University of Oregon, Academia Europaea)  Dr. Jinn-Yuh Hsu 徐進鈺 (Distinguished Professor, Department of Geography, National Taiwan University)  Dr. Chien-Yi Lu 盧倩儀 (Research Fellow, IEAS, Academia Sinica)</p>
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**Session I:** 90 minutes in total. 3-5 minutes for the moderator, 85 minutes for the speaker

**Session II:** 90 minutes in total. 3-5 minutes for the moderator, 30 minutes for the discussant, and 20 minutes for response.

**Session III:** 30 minutes in total for conclusion and Q&A

## Bios of Participants

**Alexander Murphy** is Professor Emeritus of Geography at the University of Oregon (phased retirement, 2019-2024), where he held the James F. and Shirley K. Rippey Chair in Liberal Arts and Sciences from 1998-2019. He specializes in political, cultural, and environmental geography, with regional emphases in Europe and the Middle East. He was elected to membership in the Academia Europaea in 2014, he is a Past President of the Association of American Geographers, and he is currently Senior Vice President of the American Geographical Society. He co-edited *Progress in Human Geography* for eleven years, and *Eurasian Geography and Economics* for eight years. In the late 1990s he led the effort to add geography to the College Board's Advanced Placement Program. In the early 2000s he chaired the National Academy of Sciences — National Research Council Committee charged with identifying “Strategic Directions for the Geographical Sciences.” Prof. Murphy is the author of more than 100 articles and several books, including *The Regional Dynamics of Language Differentiation in Belgium* (University of Chicago, 1988), *Cultural Encounters with the Environment* (edited with Douglas Johnson; Rowman & Littlefield, 2000), *Geography: Why It Matters* (Polity Press, 2018), *Human Geography: People, Place, and Culture* 12th ed. (with Erin Fouberg; Wiley, 2020), and *The European Culture Area*, 7th ed. (with Terry Jordan-Bychkov and Bella Bychkova Jordan; Rowman & Littlefield, 2020). He is the recipient of numerous grants and awards, including a Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Center Residency Fellowship in 2011, a University of Oregon Thomas Herman Distinguished Teaching Award in 2012, and the Association of American Geographers' Lifetime Achievement Award in 2014.

**Jinn-Yuh Hsu** is distinguished professor in the Department of Geography, National Taiwan University. Basing his research on the empirical scrutiny of special zones designated by the state, primarily Export Processing Zones and Free Economy Zones, he has engaged in critical dialogues with a number of key geographical concepts, namely spaces of exception, geoeconomic power, and geopolitical security, in order to demonstrate the particularities of state transformation and spatial restructuring in East Asian Developmental States. He published his findings in flagship journals within the field of geography, such as the *Transactions of the Institute of the British Geographers*, and *Dialogues in Human Geography*. In 2019, his works earned the Ashby Prize, an international award for innovative geographical publications. He also was the recipient of the Outstanding Research Award (傑出獎) twice by the NSTC (國科會), and the Fu Ssu-nien Memorial Chair Professorship (台大傅斯年紀念講座) in 2022.

**Chien-Yi Lu** is a political scientist at The Institute of European and American Studies, Academia Sinica. Her research interests include climate change, neoliberalism, democracy, inequality, politics of the EU, and animal rights. Her book *Surviving Democracy: Mitigating Climate Change in a Neoliberalized World* (Routledge, 2020) places neoliberalism at the center of our ecological plight. She is currently examining how fascism gains grounds as the dominant organizing logic of society as neoliberalism bows out, and how degrowth might be a plausible counterforce that keeps civilization from plunging into an ecological as well as political dystopia.

**Kuan-Chi Wang** is an associate research fellow at Academia Sinica, where he actively engages in critical research in various fields. With a focus on Asian foodways, his current theoretical interests encompass critical geopolitics, environmental governance and politics, new economic geography, and geospatial modelling. In addition, his research extends to the realm of technology-society interaction, with a particular emphasis on the political economy of building information cities and cultural-creative cities in Taiwan and Asia. His scholarly contributions have been featured in esteemed academic journals such as *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, *Area*, *Geography Compass*, *Environment and Planning E*, among others.

**Ling-I Chu** is a project assistant professor in the Department of Geography at the National Changhua University of Education. His research interests are in political and economic geography and geopolitics. From a border perspective, his research examines how peripheral places, such as the islands between China

and Taiwan, make development possible amidst geopolitical opportunities and constraints, and in particular, how these border crossers disrupt, and even redirect, geopolitical powers in their struggle for daily livelihoods.