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EDITOR' S NOTE | 編輯按

Some of you may have been busy with the end of semester while the ISTR Asia-pacific regional conference in Bangkok is approaching fast. The full conference program has been out (see [here](#)), and there will be around 100 presentations covering a wide range of topics during the two-day conference. Our very colleague from the Asian Institute, the University of Melbourne, Dr Anthony J. Spires, will deliver a keynote on “Civil Society Regulation and Organizational Culture: Reflections on Theory and Practice in China.”

If you could not join us this year, you can read the [panel and paper abstracts to be presented](#) at the conference's website. We will try to write up a briefing for the Newsletter after the conference as well.

Fengshi and Qianjin

I Selected Abstracts | 精選摘要

Before Nonprofit Organisations Become Social Enterprises | 在非營利組織變為社會企業之前

Xian-En Peng & Chaoyun Liang

Abstract: In the context of weak global economic growth, the transformation of nonprofit organisations (NPOs) into social enterprises is perceived as a critical process of social innovation and sustainable development. This study explored the antecedents and their influences on the social entrepreneurial intentions (SEIs) of NPO workers. Two sets of samples were collected through online surveys. First, 200 samples were used for exploratory factor analysis, and subsequently, 602 samples were used to establish a structural equation model. The results revealed that the involved antecedents partially influenced SEIs through social entrepreneurial (SE) creativity. The originality aspects of SE creativity demonstrated dominant positive effects on both the SE conviction and the SE preparation of SEIs, followed by cognitive empathy and bonding social capital. The stockholder perspective of social responsibility and affective empathy negatively affected both the conviction and preparation of SEIs. The stakeholder perspective of social responsibility and the usefulness aspect of SE creativity demonstrated minor positive effects on SE conviction. We suggest that NPO leaders keep an open mind to business strategies and focus on SE originality, cognitive empathy, and bonding social capital when developing talent for future achievement.

摘要: 在全球經濟增長疲軟的背景下，非營利組織向社會企業轉型被視為社會創新和可持續發展的一個關鍵過程。本研究探討了該轉型的前因及其對非營利組織員工社會企業化意圖（SEIs）的影響。通過在線調查收集了兩組樣本。首先，200 個樣本用於解釋性因素分析；隨後，602 個樣本用以建立一個結構方程模型。結果顯示，所涉及的轉型前因通過社會企業化（SE）創造力而部分地影響 SEIs。SE 創造力的原創性方面表現出其對 SEIs 中 SE 決心和 SE 準備的主導性積極影響，其次是認知共情和緊密型社會資本。股東對社會責任和情感同理心的看法對 SEIs 的決心和準備都產生了反向影響。利益相關者對於社會責任的看法和 SE 創造力的有效性顯示出對 SE 決心微小的正向影響。我們認為非營利組織領導在為未來成就培育人才時，應該有一個開放的商業戰略態度並重視 SE 原創性，認知共情和緊密型的社會資本。

What Does China's Twin-Pillared NGO Funding Game Entail? Growing Diversity and Increasing Isomorphism | 中國的雙支柱 NGO 資助遊戲會帶來什麼？日益增長的多樣性和同質性

Yi Kang

Abstract: Two trends are gaining prevalence across China: (1) NGO needs for funding in order to survive and (2) the transformation of the government and private foundations into major NGO donors. This study explores grassroots NGOs' experience with the government's purchase-of-services contracting and private foundations' grant schemes in Shanghai, Beijing and Sichuan. The research findings show that two opposite effects of the funding game are simultaneously felt: growing space for diversity and increasing isomorphic pressures. The two donor types have jointly created a result-driven and institutionalized environment in which NGOs easily lose sight of their missions and uniqueness. Nonetheless, despite finding their options extremely limited, NGOs adopt constantly evolving, multifaceted resource strategies.

摘要：兩個趨勢在中國越來越普遍：（1）NGO 需要資金以求生存；（2）政府和私募基金會轉變為主要的 NGO 捐助者。本研究探討在上海、北京和四川三地草根 NGO 在政府購買服務項目和私募基金會資助計劃中的經歷。研究結果顯示，資助遊戲中的兩個對立的影響同時被發現：增長的多樣性空間和增長的同質化壓力。這兩類捐助者共同創造了一個以結果為導向和制度化的環境。在此環境中，NGOs 很容易忽視其使命和獨特性。但是，儘管 NGO 的選擇非常有限，他們也採取了不斷發展且多方面的資源策略。

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Social Innovation: Asian Case Studies of Innovating for the Common Good | 社會創新：為共同利益創新的亞洲案例研究

Edited by Sarah Lai-Yin Cheah

In the world of creating new ventures with the single goal of achieving financial profitability, it is well known that nine of ten startups are likely to fail. For new social ventures that have the twin goals of financial profitability and social inclusiveness, the chances of failures are even higher.

This book provides insight into the common struggles of social activists and the strategic responses necessary to not only overcome their organizational issues but also address the world's pressing social challenges. The book not only traces the journey of the social activists in growing their social ventures to flesh out real-life issues but also introduces the latest management thinking on social innovation in daily business decision. This book makes a useful contribution in furthering the concepts of social innovation and entrepreneurship and inspiring more change agents to create and implement effective, scalable and sustainable solutions to address social issues and meet the needs of the disadvantaged groups in the society. To learn more about this book, click [here](#).

Post-Politics and Civil Society in Asian Cities | 亞洲城市裏的後政治和公民社會

Edited by Sonia Lam-Knott, Creighton Connolly, Kong Chong Ho

Bringing together an interdisciplinary group of scholars, *Post-Politics and Civil Society in Asian Cities* examines how the concept of 'post-politics' has manifested across a range of Asian cities, and the impact this has had on state-society relationships in processes of urban governance.

This volume examines how the post-political framework - derived from the study of Western liberal democracies – applies to Asian cities. Appreciating that the region has undergone a distinctive trajectory of political development, and is currently governed under democratic or authoritarian regimes, the book articulates how post-political conditions have created obstacles or opportunities for civil society to assert their voice in urban governance. Chapters address the different ways in which Asian civil society groups strive to gain a stake in the development and management of cities, specifically by looking at their involvement in heritage and environmental governance, two inter-related components in discourses about establishing liveable cities for the future. To learn more about this book, click [here](#).

Shared Space and the New Nonprofit Workplace | 共享空間和新的非營利工作場所

Edited by China Brotsky, Sarah M. Eisinger, and Diane Vinokur-Kaplan

While the economy has boomed since the Great Recession, so too have real estate rents and gentrification in cities across North America; nonprofits priced out of formerly affordable neighborhoods lack adequate workplaces to meet their missions. *Shared Space and the New Nonprofit Workplace* presents a comprehensive overview of shared space as an innovative model and effective long-term solution for nonprofit organizations' need for stable and affordable office and program space. In particular, it focuses on co-locating multiple nonprofits in shared spaces, often called nonprofit centers, with shared services and a collaborative culture. This comprehensive resource provides a practical road map to develop new workspaces; documents benefits for nonprofit staff, organizations, and their communities; presents challenges and solutions from successful nonprofit shared spaces; and considers nonprofit centers' history and future trends. Further, it offers nonprofits an opportunity to engage in forward-thinking practices, such as collaborative service delivery, green building operations, and cross-sector alliances. The book will be useful to nonprofit executives, staff and board members, foundations, philanthropists, real estate and urban planning professionals interested in creating these projects, and researchers and students of the nonprofit sector.

To learn more about this book, click [here](#).

The Korean Peace Process and Civil Society: Towards Strategic Peacebuilding | 朝鮮半島和平進程和公民社會：實現戰略型的和平建設

By Dong Jin Kim

The Post-Cold War era witnessed a dramatic rise in breakthroughs for peace processes, including the Korean peninsula, between parties mired in protracted conflict. However, many such processes broke down within a short period of time. This book explores the possibilities for comprehensive and sustainable peacebuilding strategy in the Korean peace process, beyond reaching an agreement, by reviewing diverse peacebuilding activities from government and civil society. To read the full book, click [here](#).

CALL FOR PAPERS | 論文徵集

The 2nd International Conference on Gender & Sexuality, Bangkok, Thailand

Re-thinking Gender and Sexuality: What do we know? What have we learnt? What's next? | 反思性別與性：我們知道什麼？我們了解了什麼？接下來如何？

Deadline for abstract submissions: 24 July 2019 | 摘要提交截止：2019年7月24日

Conference Dates: October 3-4, 2019 | 研討會日期：2019年10月3-4日

Location: Bangkok, Thailand

Research on gender and sexuality has expanded over the years into new and cutting-edge areas of research, both as independent and inter-dependent fields. Practitioners and Researchers have explored new ground, challenged former conceptions and reconceptualised historical constructions. This conference provides an opportunity to share knowledge from various contexts and people that has been generated in these diverse and exciting fields of knowledge production and intervention. It will present opportunities for sharing lessons across and between, regions, continents and disciplines.

If you wish to be a presenter at the 2nd International Conference on Gender and Sexuality 2019, please submit your research paper at abstract@genderconference.com before 24th July 2019

For more information, click [here](#).

Civil Society in Asia: the 3rd International Conference, Melbourne, Australia

Authoritarianism, Democracy and Civil Society in Asia | 亞洲的威權主義、民主和公民社會

Deadline for abstract submissions: 1 August 2019 | 摘要提交期限：2019年8月1日

Conference Dates: November 28-29, 2019 | 會議日期：2019年11月28-29日

Location: The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia

In some parts of Asia, formally democratic states have experienced a 'backsliding' return to authoritarianism, while in others authoritarianism has seemingly deepened. Powerful states like China are employing new technologies and methods to monitor, suppress, and/or absorb autonomous groups. Clearly, civil society's relations with the state – and with the larger societies in which they are embedded – are not uniform across the region, or sometimes even within the same country. In some places, the roles played by civil society actors, and the broader implications of their actions, are also rapidly changing.

This conference will provide a rare opportunity for scholars working in different authoritarian settings to come together to discuss and compare notes, pursue conceptual clarity on the terms we use, and identify common dynamics and differences across national boundaries. Three key dimensions of inquiry will be: 1) state-civil society relations; 2) civil society's relations with the larger societies in which they are embedded; and 3) relations between civil society organizations both nationally and transnationally. Two of the key objectives of

the meeting are to enrich our understanding of empirical realities and to allow for conceptual deepening by identifying dynamics that may be common in or distinctive to authoritarian regimes in contemporary Asia.

If you would like to present, please send your title/abstract (200 words) by **1 August** to Professor [Akihiro Ogawa](#).

2019 Winter Global Public Policy Symposium, Riverside, US

Emerging Issues in Public Policy and Administration | 公共政策與行政中的新興問題

Deadline for abstract submissions: 1 July 2019 | 摘要提交期限：2019年7月1日

Conference Dates: December 5-6, 2019 | 會議日期：2019年12月5-6日

Location: University of Riverside, California, US

The themes of this conference are concerned with the emerging issues in the contemporary society. Some of the key challenges of the present include security, civil society, environment and sustainability, leadership and legitimacy. If you are interested in organizing Panel Discussion for the Global Public Policy Symposium or presenting a paper, please email your proposal or paper abstract to conference@uofriverside.com. For more details, please visit [here](#).

Call for Proposals: 2019年「菁莪计划」四期招募

Deadline for application: 31 July 2019 | 申請截止日期：2019年7月31日

億方公益基金會開啟新一期“菁莪計劃”項目支持青年研究人才和公益組織實踐人才。該計劃旨在推動中國大陸地區公益研究能力的提升，推動行業研究的發展與實踐的改善。該計劃對申請者的專業背景沒有特別限制，申請者需關注社會議題並致力於研究和實踐帶來改善即可。更多詳細信息，請訪問[官方網站](#)。

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Application Closing Date: Wednesday 31 July 2019

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Lecturer, Senior Lecturer, Associate Professor or Professor (Chinese Politics and Society), ANU

Application Closing Date: 21 Jul 2019

Position Enquiries: Professor Michael Wesley at cap.dean@anu.edu.au

Lecturer in Chinese Studies, University of Adelaide

Application Closing Date: 19 July 2019

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Assistant Professor in History and Theory of Housing, University of Toronto

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For the further information, please contact Dean's Office at Daniels-Dean@daniels.utoronto.ca

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Position Enquiries: Jesper Sølvér Schou at jss@ifro.ku.dk

Professor of China Studies in a Global Perspective Aarhus University

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Research Assistant Professor in Department of Sociology, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Application Closing Date: September 30, 2019

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Research Assistant Professor (RAP)/Post-doctoral Fellow at Department of Sau Po Centre on Ageing, University of Hong Kong

Application Closing Date: Jul 31, 2019

Online Application: [apply now](#)

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United Kingdom | 英國

Lecturer in Sociology or Politics, University of Bristol

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