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Asian Public Intellectuals Fellowships Program

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API Closure Announcement

This is to formally announce the termination of the Asian Public Intellectuals Fellowships Program (API) on May 31, 2015.

The API Fellowships Program was established in 2000 to foster the growth of the public sphere where public intellectuals can articulate common concerns and propose creative solutions. To date, 333 of API Fellows have been part of this aspiration. Their scholarly and advocacy contribution to the region has been significant.

With the closure of the program, the offices of the API Partner Institutions and Coordinating Institution will likewise close. An API Community Regional Office, however, will start operation on 1 June 2015. IKMAS of Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia has graciously agreed to run the Office.

The functions of the API Community Regional Office will be the following: serve as a liaison for the communication among the API Fellows in the region and between the API Fellows and non-fellows and organizations; act as an information clearing house for API resources e.g., information on the fellows and past programs, publications, research and creative products and other achievements by the fellows; and maintain the API Regional Website.

The API vision will persist, despite the closure of the program. The API Fellows will continue to generate the life-giving frameworks and actions responsive to the challenges of the region. And we foresee all API stakeholders stoking the flames.

We, the members of API Executive Committee (API EXECO), are deeply grateful to all of you who have provided invaluable support for and cooperation with the API Program and its Fellows. And we trust you will continue to support the API Fellows' Community.
Starting June 1, 2015, you can contact either of the following two addresses:

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