

Invitation to the Launch of The Palgrave Handbook of EU-Asia Relations



Edited by Thomas Christiansen (Maastricht University)
Emil Kirchner (Essex University)
Philomena Murray (University of Melbourne)



palgrave
macmillan

Published by Palgrave Macmillan on 2 January 2013

This edited book, arising from an collaborative research project part-funded by the European Union's Jean Monnet programme, fills a gap in the literature on EU-Asia relations. The European Union and Asia are two regions undergoing significant changes internally while at the same time developing stronger relations with each other. In the context of an emerging multi-polar world, Europe and Asia are seen as major actors, making their relations increasingly crucial for the understanding of global politics. The Handbook is distinctive because it constitute a thoroughly comprehensive collection of more than 40 contributions from a variety of disciplines and perspectives, bringing together leading authors in their respective fields. Contributors come from Europe, Asia, North America and Australia, thereby providing a genuinely global perspective on this important topic. For further details on the book and its contributors, please refer to the relevant page on the publisher's website at <http://www.palgrave.com/products/title.aspx?PID=549801>.

On the occasion of this publication, you are kindly invited to a book launch and roundtable discussion on the current state and future perspectives of relations between the European Union and its Asian partners.

When: Wednesday, 30 January 2013

Where: Office of the European Union in Hong Kong and Macau
19/F St John's Building, 33 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

Programme:

15.45	Welcome and Registration
16.00	Opening remarks by Mr Vincent Piket, Head of the EU Office
16.15	Presentation of Handbook of EU-Asia Relations by the project coordinator, Prof. Thomas CHRISTIANSEN
16.30	Roundtable "Beyond the Crisis: Challenges and Opportunities for EU-Asia Relations"
	Chair: Prof. Emil KIRCHNER (Essex University)
	Panelists: Prof. Jean-Pierre CABESTAN (Baptist University of Hong Kong)
	Prof. Hiromasa KUBO (Kobe University)
	Prof. SONG Xinning (Renmin University of China)
	Prof. Jose Luis DE SALES MARQUES (Institute of European Studies, Macao)
	Mr Uwe WISSENBACH (EU Delegation in Seoul)
17.50	Closing statement by the Chair
18.00	Reception

Places are limited. In order to register your attendance, please send an to email Ms Youngah Guahk (y.guahk@maastrichtuniversity.nl) by 25 January 2013 at the latest.



This event is made possible with the support of the Office of the European Union in Hong Kong and Macau.