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Call for Paper: (In)Visible Taiwan

12th Annual Conference of the European Association of Taiwan Studies (EATS), 2015

Deadline for submission: 31 October 2014

The 12th Annual Conference of EATS will take place at Jagiellonian University in Kraków, 8-10 April 2015. The main theme is **(In)Visible Taiwan**, which addresses issues about Taiwan and the field of Taiwan Studies that may appear paradoxical from interdisciplinary perspectives. For example, while democratisation is arguably the most significant development in modern Taiwan, what are the hidden challenges that need to be identified and resolved? While some may praise Taiwan's economic power, others may be disappointed in the lack of global recognition of Taiwanese brands. Is the perceived 'problem' a real problem? If so, why and are there any sensible solutions? Given the difficult international situation that Taiwan faces, how should we put Taiwan's effort in claiming an international presence – politically and culturally, officially and unofficially – into context? How may we evaluate appropriately Taiwan's (in)visibility? Moreover, how have the contributions of artists, writers, filmmakers and various cultural and creative workers sustained, enriched and articulated Taiwan's vibrant and multi-faceted cultures? How may the scholarly communities of Taiwan Studies further engage with different disciplines and advance our understanding of Taiwan?

We welcome submission of individual abstracts which tackle the main theme of the conference from all disciplines of social sciences and arts and humanities. We also welcome submission of panels (3–4 abstracts per panel) which consider the issues of (in)visibility within or outside Taiwan from the viewpoint of a specific subject/topic. Furthermore, EATS will organize a MA panel for students to practice their presentation skills and to receive critical feedback. The MA panel is not confined by the theme of the conference, although it should be relevant to the broadly defined field of Taiwan Studies.

For individual submission, please write an abstract of **300–500 words**, including **3–5 keywords** listed by the EATS website. For the submission to the MA panel, please write an abstract of 300 words on a topic of your choice. For panel submission, please prepare a **ONE PAGE** description of the panel (including the title and rationale of the panel plus the titles of 3–4 proposed papers), together with all proposed abstracts of 300 words each. Please submit to the EATS website (<http://www.eats-taiwan.eu/>) and send a copy to info@eats-taiwan.eu.

The deadline for submission is **31 October 2014**. The EATS Website will be ready for accepting submission from **1 October 2014**. After a double blind review process, we will announce the successful submissions by **31 January 2015**.