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Call for Papers for a Special Issue on

History of Documentation and Information Science in the Asia-Pacific Region

> Stay with the ancient Tao,
> Move with the present.
> Knowing the ancient beginning is the essence of Tao.
> —Lao Tzu (ca. 571–471 B.C.)

Historical research is at the heart of our understanding of the disciplinary nature and developmental trends of documentation and information science. Contributions on the **History of Documentation and Information Science in the Asia-Pacific Region** are invited for publication in the *Proceedings from the Document Academy***.** Submissions that creatively explore the historical aspects of documentation or information science that are specific to any Asia-Pacific culture (including Australia and New Zealand) are welcome, especially work comparing topics or traditions across regions and eras. The history of libraries or librarianship are not considered to be in the scope of this special issue.

This special issue is a collaboration between the Special Interest Group on the History and Foundation of Information Science of the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T SIG HFIS) and the Document Academy. This special issue of *Proceedings from the Document Academy* aims to provide to open a forum for the dialogue between Eastern, Southern and Western historical research on documents and information. Future special issues are planned that will be intended for other non-Western regions. This research will empower the field to expand beyond a focus on the West to give voice to documentation and information science in other regions, as pertinent to the global trends in the 21st century.

For this special issue, we welcome original research articles as well as English translations of relevant works already published in other languages.

Desired topics within the history of the Asia-Pacific region include, but are not limited to:

- History of documents, information, documentation, and information science in the Asia-Pacific region
- Unique developments within individual cultures and countries
- Biography of deceased scholars, documentalists, and information scientists
- History of institutions and of legal and administrative developments
- Historical evolution of foundations (i.e., core concepts) of information science and documentation
- Indigenous views of information and of documentation
- Early introduction of documentation and information science into the Asia-Pacific region
- Bridging Western and Eastern information science theory
- The role of information institutions and documentation in any Asia-Pacific society

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Manuscript proposals of about 300 words should be submitted via email to Professor Lin Wang (wanglinpku@163.com). The authors of accepted proposals will be invited to submit their manuscripts via the journal's online submission system. Submitted manuscripts will undergo double-blind peer review. All submissions should be in English.

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Key dates

Proposal Submission Deadline: August 31, 2022
Full-text Paper Submission Deadline: January 13, 2023
Anticipated Publication of Accepted Papers: April 15, 2023

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