The First International Conference on Local Studies and Local Culture of Asia
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First Announcement

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This conference aims to advance research and communication in the area of local studies and local culture, and to strengthen the roles local studies take in local culture exploration, inheritance of cultural tradition and local development support.

We feel honoured to extend our warmest invitation to scholars of Asian local studies and local culture. This conference will be an ideal platform for sharing ideas and research findings.

Papers are invited on topics related, but not limited, to:

- Research scenario of local studies and local culture in Asia or other regions
- Comparative research on local studies and local culture in Asia or other regions
- Definition, category, theory and research methodology of local studies
- Organizational structure and operational pattern of research institutions of local studies and local culture
- Disciplinary development of local studies
- Local theories including its definition, cultural uniqueness and its formation mechanism
- Local culture theories including local sensibility, local cultural cognition and recognition
- Practice of local studies supporting local development
- Theory, methodology and paradigm of local culture research
• Local history and culture research
• Local folk culture
• Local cultural inheritance and creative development
• Local festival activities and cultural inheritance
• Integrated development of local culture and tourism
• Development of local creative cultural industry

**Important dates:**

The conference is addressed to academics, researchers and professionals with a particular interest related to the conference topic. We look forward to receiving your registration forms (*Appendix I*) and paper abstracts of up to 300 words **by 31 July, 2019**. Paper and a brief biographical note of up to 200 words should be sent **by 30 September, 2019** to: bjxhy@buu.edu.cn. Please refer to *Appendix II* for format of abstract and paper.

The conference will be staged in Beijing, China. Address of the venue and the conference agenda will be ready in **Second Announcement** of the Conference **in September 2019** and will be sent via email and meanwhile available on our WeChat subscription.

**Expenses:**

There is no registration fee. The organizing committee pays for accommodation and meals during the conference and field trips arranged by the conference. Participants are expected to be responsible for their travel to Beijing. Travel subsidy is available for keynote speakers.

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