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### TAEF UPDATES

## Friends from the UK Visit TAEF



#### Thursday, September 6th, 2018

Internationally renowned China expert Prof. Kerry Brown and his wife visited the TAEF yesterday. Chairman Hsiao and Executive Director Dr. Yang welcomed him to TAEF, and together they had a pleasant discussion on China, East Asian and Southeast Asian affairs. Kerry Brown is Professor of Chinese Studies and Director of the Lau China Institute at King's College, London.

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# Friends from Japan visit TAEF



#### Monday, September 10th, 2018

**R**enowned Japanese Economist Dr. Yukihito Sato visited TAEF today, and discussed mutual exchanges between his home institution IDE-JETRO and TAEF with Executive Director Dr. Yang . Their conversation also touched on Taiwan's regional strategy for Asia and the New Southbound Policy. Dr. Yukihito Sato is now Director-General at the Inter-Disciplinary Studies Center in the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE-JETRO).

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### **TAEF COMMENTARY**

# Weaknesses and Challenges in Cambodia's New Political Landscape

- -Dr. Alan Hao Yang/Executive Director (TAEF)
- -Jeremy Chiang/Research Assistant (TAEF)

The new political and economic landscape emerging after the recent Cambodian election proves that strongman politics will still dominate Cambodia's development agenda, whether it be in the government or the general society. There are three main takeaways in this commentary: (1) With Hun Sen placing immense pressure on Cambodia's civil society and resistant forces, the opposition camp is now entering its restructuring phase; (2) With possible sanctions from Western countries looming in the background, Cambodia's economic development might face negative impacts; (3) China is expanding its influence towards Cambodia, aiming to influence Cambodian politics through economic diplomacy and development aid.

Read full article in Chinese

#### NEW SOUTHBOUND POLICY NEWS

## The Times of India

# Under China Shadow, India and Taiwan Work to Improve Culture, Trade Ties

#### Monday, September 10th, 2018

Despite there being no formal diplomatic ties between them, India and Taiwan continue to quietly work together people to people and trade ties. Taiwan will host its first ever Taiwan Film Festival here next week in what Taiwanese officials describe as an efort to promote Taiwanese culture in India. The film festival follows a visit to Inida last week by 25 Youth Ambassadors under Taiwan's International Youth Ambassadors Exchange Program. The highlight of the festival will be the screening of an award-winning documentary, Small Talk, which explores the theme of homosexuality.

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#### Asia Times

## Vietnamese Iimmigrant in Taiwan to Run for City Council

#### Friday, September 6th, 2018

A woman who first came to Taiwan as a tourist and ended up marrying and staying as a permanent resident for two decades and raising two daughters has decided to run for city council in Taichung so she can represent new immigrants and fight for their rights. Born in Ho Chi Minh City in 1979, Diao Yu Hong, now 40, first visited Taiwan at the age of 18, and has resided in Taichung City since. Over the years, she worked hard to blend into Taiwanese society, finding it friendly and celebrating cultural diversity.

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## The Sun Daily

## Taiwan to Deepen Economic Ties with Neighbors

#### Monday, September 3rd, 2018

Against the backdrop of the ongoing sovereign dispute with China – Taiwan, as an island territory – does not see itself being isolated from the global economy, but is looking forward to strengthening ties. The New Southbound Policy is seen as one of Taiwan's strategies to integrate with neighbouring countries. During a recent media familiarisation to Taiwan, the deputy director-general of the Bureau of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Lee Guann-jyh, said he is hoping that the global community could focus more on the "positive side" of Taiwan as well as its achievements and contribution.



#### Antaranews

# Taiwan Bridges Relationship with Indonesia through Animation Movie

#### Thursday, September 6th, 2018

Taiwan, through Taipei Economic and Trade Office (TETO) in Jakarta, is holding the screening of an animated movie entitled "On Happiness Road," as an effort to bridge relations with Indonesia."To promote the New Southbound Policy, the government prioritizes people-to-people contact, cooperation on tourism, as well as cultural and educational exchanges," the Head Representative of TETO in Jakarta, John Chen, remarked in his opening speech at the screening of Taiwanese animated film here on Wednesday.

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# 公益交流站NPOst 自己的泰拳自己辦! 公部門帶頭引入參與式預算,桃園移工的民主小革命



#### Tuesday, September 11st, 2018

**桃**園市政府勞動局、熱吵民主協會與桃園群眾服務協會等單位攜手舉辦移工參與式預算,獲桃園移工熱烈參與,讓今年6月異鄉擂臺泰拳大賽成功舉辦。 <u>Read more</u>

# 中央社

華航新加坡分公司50年慶 盼強化台星交流



#### Monday, September 10th, 2018

中華航空公司昨(10)日慶祝新加坡分公司成立 50 週年,並由總經理謝世謙、中華民國 駐新加坡代表梁國新等人共同切下 50 週年慶蛋糕,期許提供更便捷服務,強化台星雙方 交流。據統計,新加坡赴台灣觀光旅遊 2017 年正式突破 42 萬人次,說明華航見證並貢 獻台星之間穩定成長的觀光旅遊。

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## 經濟日報

### 農委會助攻馬來西亞清真商機

#### Monday, September 10th, 2018

行政院農業委員會主辦,財團法人商業發展研究院、財團法人臺灣優良農產品發展協會共同協辦,於日前假臺中市工商發展策進會辦理「夯・一窺農水產品及其加工品清真商機—布局馬來西亞農產食品清真商機」系列研討會,現場匯集台灣優良農水企業以及加工品業者共同參與,藉由此本次研討會增進國內業者對清真進口檢驗檢疫及通關流程及商機商情之瞭解,掌握第一調查研究資訊,強化我國農水企業進軍穆林市場之機會,促進產業永續發展與成長。

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### SOUTHEAST ASIA / SOUTH ASIA / AUS / NZ NEWS

**CSIS** 

The Jakarta Post

Channel NewsAsia

Australia and

**Does ASEAN** 

# Indonesia-Ties that Bind

August 31st, 2018

Australia and Indonesia today signed a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) that defines the relationship of these two Southeast Asian nations going forward.

The CSP sets out five priority pillars for the relationship. The CSP is described as "marking a new chapter in the strong and vibrant relationship" between Indonesia and Australia.

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## Matter? Marty Matalegawa;s Personal Notes

September 3rd, 2018

The newly released book Does ASEAN Matter: A View from Within aims to show the inner workings of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) from the perspective of someone who is closely acquainted with the organization. The 258-page book discusses the history and impact of ASEAN across five chapters, exploring issues such as how trust was forged between states, punctuated by accounts of the diplomatic tensions that arose during Marty's tenure as foreign minister from 2009 to 2014.

Malaysia,
Singapore
Agree to
Postpone
High-Speed
Rail Project for
Two Years

September 3rd, 2018

Malaysia has agreed with Singapore to postpone the development of the Kuala Lumpur-Singapore High (HSR) project. "Singapore has agreed with the Malaysian government's view to delay the implementation of this project until a period when the economy has recovered," Malaysian Economic Affairs Minister Azmin Ali said.

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### ASIA ENGAGEMENT CONSORTIUM (AEC) UPDATES

#### **CSEAS**

# Indonesian Migrant Workers and Indonesia-Taiwan Relations

政大東南亞研究中心特別邀請印尼日惹大學(Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta)國際關係學系Ali Maksum教授分享與探討「印尼移工在臺灣的現況以及遇到的困境」研究。

TAITRA **2018** 泰國台灣形象展 為期三天的台灣形象展自8月30日起在泰國曼谷國際貿易展覽中心舉辦,期間泰國百貨集 團龍頭Central集團與The Mall Group都派多位高階主管到場搜尋可引進的台灣產品,泰 國卜峰(CP)集團、亞洲最大糖業兩儀集團等多角化經營大型集團也都有高階主管前來觀 展。

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## *TAITRA* 2018南亞商機研討會

為協助我國業者掌握南亞地區龐大商機及最新商情資訊,外貿協會將配合南亞商機日於9 月18日舉辦南亞商機研討會。為使我國廠商掌握南亞大型企業之採購方針,本活動特邀請 當地大型買主說明其採購政策,以利我商順利進入其採購供應鏈。

-Date: 2018/09/18 (Tuesday) 8:30-12:00

-Venue: Taipei International Convention Center 101A/B 1 Hsin-Yi Road, Section 5, Taipei 11049, Taiwan ROC

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