

## **The Movement of People Within and Across Borders in Southeast Asia**

The movement of people in Southeast Asia has been fundamental in shaping its societies. Migration has led to the formation of new communities, changed understandings of the self in relation to others, and resulted in hybridity in linguistic and cultural practices. Over the past few decades, political and economic transformations in the region have resulted in significantly greater flows of people both within and across geopolitical borders. States have grappled with these movements, establishing border control practices that have significant effects on the lives of people who move. This panel explore the ways that movement within and across borders has shaped the lives of people in Southeast Asia. It examines the causes of movements. It examines the way they are categorized – for example, as migrant workers, refugees, trafficked persons, unaccompanied minors – and the reasons for and effects of these practices. It explores the shifting ways in which state authorities understand and try to capture migration.

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