

**Expertise**

Ethnicity, Religion, Middle Classes, Urban Studies, Social Media, Transnational Studies, Cultural Politics, Muslim Societies in Malaysia and Indonesia

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**Education**

- PhD (Political Science and Anthropology), Australian National University- 2011
- MPhil (History and Sociology,) Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia- 2005
- BSc. (Computer Science), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia- 2001

**Fellowship:**

- Visiting Fellow at ISEAS (Institute of Southeast Asian Studies) -Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore (2016-2017)
- Research Fellow at Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin (2012-2015)
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow at International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS), Leiden (2011-2012)

**Research Topics:**

- Chinese Muslims in Malaysia and Indonesia
- Hui migrants in Malaysia and Indonesia
- Middle-class Muslims and urban place-making in Malaysia and Indonesia
- Social Media and Islamic practices in Malaysia and Indonesia
- Islam, politics and social movements in Malaysia and Indonesia

**Editorial Board Membership:**

- Dinika: Academic Journal of Islamic Studies

**Journal Referee:**

- Contemporary Islam: Dynamics of Muslim Life
- ASIEN: The German Journal on Contemporary Asia
- Sojourn: Journal of Social Issues in Southeast Asia

**Selected Publications:**

- Forthcoming. The Art of Dakwah: Social Media, Visual Aesthetics and Islamist Persuasion of Felix Siau in Indonesia. Special Issues on Islamic (Inter) Faces of the Internet. *Indonesia and Malay World*.
- Forthcoming. 'Islamic Way of Urban Living': Middle Class Muslims Aspirations and Gated Communities in Periurban Jakarta. In *Shaping Jakarta: Claiming Spaces and Rights in the City*, edited by Jörgen Hellman, Marie Thynell and Roanne van Voorst. London and New York: Routledge.
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- 2014. Beyond ‘Chinese Diaspora’ and ‘Islamic Ummah’: Various Transnational Connections and Local Negotiations of Chinese Muslim Identities in Indonesia. *Sojourn: Journal of Social Issues in Southeast Asia* 22 (2): 627-656.
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- 2013. Cosmopolitan Islam and Inclusive Chineseness: Chinese-style Mosques in Indonesia. In *Religious Pluralism, State and Society in Asia*, edited by Chiara Formichi, 175-196. London and New York: Routledge.
- 2012. Expressing Chineseness, Marketing Islam: Hybrid Performance of Chinese Muslim Preachers. In *Chinese Indonesians Reassessed: History, Religion and Belonging*, edited by Chang-Yau Hoon and Siew-Min Sai, 179-199. London and New York: Routledge.
- 2010. Naming and Chinese Muslim Identities: Boundary-making, Negotiation and Hybridity in Malaysia. In *Personal Names in Asia: History, Culture and Identity*, edited by YangWen Zheng and Charles J-H MacDonald, 288-304. Singapore: NUS Press.