

## EDITORIAL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR IPPA BULLETIN 31, 2011

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### WELCOME

In this volume we present a mix of papers from the Hanoi conference and regular submissions. Notable in this volume are a collection of papers from the Hanoi conference on the Dvaravati period in Thailand. Finally an especially shadowy period of mainland Southeast Asian prehistory has received some substantial scholarly attention. Thanks are due to Wes Clarke for organizing the conference session and assisting in bringing the papers to publication.

We have now published nearly all of the papers resulting from the Hanoi conference and welcome regular submissions for the next volume. We would like to direct prospective authors to our instructions for authors. While these instructions are rather detailed, above all we would like to encourage authors to keep their submissions uncomplicated and to use previously published BIPPA papers as a guide. We are keen to support prospective authors with resources and advice on academic writing, please do not hesitate to write to us to ask for these. To the many scholars that support BIPPA through their careful reviews of submitted papers, we offer our thanks. Many of our readers are likely to be asked to review submissions, and for those who may be unfamiliar with our peer review process, we can here summarize it in two sentences. First, we ask reviewers to say what is good about a piece of work. Second, we ask reviewers to tell the author how to improve it. We discourage freestanding criticisms because these are discouraging to authors and are typically difficult to turn into constructive recommendations.

### IPPA 2014 IN CAMBODIA

Our next IPPA conference, the twentieth of the Association, will be held in Siam Reap, Cambodia. Local coordination and support will be provided by the Royal Academy of Cambodia and the Royal Government of Cambodia. IPPA President Ian Lilly reports on behalf of the members of the IPPA executive that there were three bids, all were strong and the final decision was a tough one. More details on the venue and dates will be circulated online and by email. We encourage

readers to begin thinking about potential session and paper topics.

### GRANUCCI FUND WINNER FOR 2012

Three Granucci Awards have been made in 2012. These are to Irsyad Martias for the project "Research on Prehistoric-Austronesian in Riau, Indonesia", to Budianto Hakim for the project "Burial Remains at Minanga Sipakko, Mamaju, West Sulawesi, Indonesia", and Wuri Handoko for the project "Prehistoric and Islam religious syncretism in Haruku, Central Maluku, Indonesia".

### IN MEMORIAM: ADI TAHA

In February 2012 former IPPA president, noted Malaysian archaeologist and Museum specialist Dato' Dr Adi Haji Taha passed away. Included in this volume is an obituary essay by Johan Kamminga that gives an account of Adi's remarkable career and many accomplishments and contributions to archaeology and museums in Malaysia.

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### CORRECTION NOTICE

The article 'Varying Levels of the Dian Lakes and the Dian Lakes Culture' by Terry Lustig, Li Kunsheng, Jiang Zhilong, and Chen Guo was originally published with an earlier, unrevised version. This was corrected on August 30th, 2012, and the current published version of the article is the revised one.

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