

24-25 May 2012
Council of International Schools
Regional Conference:
“International Mindedness”
James Cook University, Townsville

Supporting globalization and Asian perspectives in education this conference offers teachers an opportunity to learn more about international mindedness. The association will be providing a hands-on workshop focused on the planning of a sister schools and professional development experiences in Asia. For more information contact Mr Song Huang, Song@AsiaLiteracy.org.au

6-8 July 2012
Xihua University, Chengdu
The People's Republic of China

Scholars are invited to participate in the 13th International Conference of Australian Studies in China, which will be held by Xihua University between 6 and 8 July 2012. The Conference is to be sponsored by the Australia China Council under Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and supported by the National Association of Australian Studies in China.

The theme of the conference is *Globalization and Imagination*. 2012 will mark the 40th anniversary of the restoration of diplomatic relations between China and Australia. The past four decades have witnessed a burgeoning globalization trend in the world, which has tremendously changed almost every nation's imagination of themselves and others. The theme of this conference is deliberately broad in scope and aims to generate an open space for participants to share their thoughts on Australia's national imagination and the new developments, challenges and opportunities in China and Australia's perception on each other. We believe such a space for dialogues will strengthen mutual understanding and trust between the peoples of China and Australia, and promote further development of Australian Studies in China.

The Conference welcomes papers discussing topics in the following areas:

- ❖ Australian history;
- ❖ Australian literature;
- ❖ Australian culture and media;
- ❖ Sino-Australian relationship and Australian foreign relations;
- ❖ Australian politics;
- ❖ Australian economy;
- ❖ Indigenous studies;
- ❖ Ethnic relations in Australia;
- ❖ Australian language and culture
- ❖ Political, economic, cultural and education exchanges and cooperation between China and Australia;
- ❖ Studies on Chinese Australians ; and
- ❖ any other related topics.

The working language of the Conference is English.

To attend this conference with the association's group, please contact Mr Song Huang for further information. Song@AsiaLiteracy.org.au



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