

2nd Biennial Conference of the Indian Association for South Asian Studies (IASAS)

Global South Asians: Transformative Experiences

15-18 November, 2022

Announcement

Type: Call for Panels/ Papers

Date: 15-18 November, 2022

Location: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

Venue: Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi

Organiser: Centre for Alternative Studies in Social Sciences (CASSS), New Delhi

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We invite abstracts for the 2nd biennial conference of the Indian Association for South Asian Studies (IASAS) to be held at the Banaras Hindu University on 15-18 November 2022. This three-day conference will focus on themes related to South Asian Studies and will bring together scholars from across humanities and social sciences.

Although the central theme of second IASAS conference is Global South Asians, the panels and papers can be proposed on any aspect of the South Asian Studies.

The Global South Asians theme explores transformative experiences of those Indians who migrated or travelled overseas, and the memories of those who did not return and chose to stay in their respective host countries. These communities of South Asians abroad struggled to adapt to their new situations, standardizing the languages spoken, and preserving some cultural traditions and folk traditions, whilst discarding others (notably many of the distinctions of caste). In short, forging for themselves entirely new identities as ‘diasporic Indians’.

While *Global South Asians: Transformative Experiences* theme encourages enquiry by diasporic scholars, researchers and others into the challenges and practical possibilities for diaspora peoples in the social, economic, technological, scientific, medical and entrepreneurial fields, it equally take into account the new frontiers in information

gathering, its presentation and new methodologies of sharing research among the millions of Indian diasporic people. Hence, IASAS Conference 2022 aims to provide opportunities for diasporic researchers and scholars to engage in a genuinely global dialogue. In the context of globalizing similarities and differences, such dialogue is increasingly important as it facilitates the development and sharing of knowledge, and the establishment of international collaborative relations. This conference is committed to advancing the achievement of a just, peaceful and progressive diasporic world community through collaboration and dialogue on various issues through the exchange of ideas, concerns, solutions, problems, person-to-person contacts and professional relationships.

Apart from the above central theme, IASAS 2022 conference welcomes panels and papers in English or in Hindi on any theme of South Asian Studies employing interdisciplinary and theoretical perspectives inspired from History, Philosophy, Political Science, Anthropology, Ethnography, Sociology, Psychology etc. Hence, the conference aim is to bring historians and social scientists into conversation with each other. We encourage submissions from research students, early career scholars, faculty members, and independent social scientists whose research falls under the spectrum of South Asian Studies. The conference hopes to generate new perspectives by exploring new as well as alternative and evolving research ideas and methods.

CALL FOR PAPERS

There would be at least four presenters in each panel session. Presentations will be limited to 20 minutes each.

1. Abstracts of up to 500 words should be submitted on or before August 15, 2022. [Please use the Presentation Proposal format in sending your abstract].
2. Acceptance letters for proposals will be e-mailed by August 30, 2022. All abstracts will be peer reviewed.
3. Presenters should indicate if their formal presentations will be in PowerPoint format.
4. An electronic copy of the full paper must be submitted no later than September 10, 2022.

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