

(1) Social Media in Islamic Southeast Asia: Revisiting Piety and Sociality in the Digital Era

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(3) Abstract:

The panel is concerned with Islamic expressions of piety in contemporary Southeast Asia as they are embedded in the everyday practices and uses of social media and new communication technologies. Revisiting piety and sociality, the panel attempts to examine changes – without disregarding continuities – in the daily practices and social formations of Southeast Asian Muslims that are informed by the continuing rise of social media and other communication technologies. It focuses on regular Islamic gatherings (e.g. *majelis taklim*) and their online presence, the transformation of Islamic preacher-follower relationships through social media, the reinvigoration of Qur'an reading groups through messaging apps, the new online efforts of Islamic charities, and a wide range of other phenomena that comprise expressions of Islamic piety. The panel represents results of the research project “Islamic (Inter)Faces of the Internet: Emerging Socialities and Forms of Piety in Indonesia” (duration: 2014-2017). Colleagues and researchers who are not part of this project, yet conduct research on Islamic uses of social media and new technologies in different regions of Southeast Asia, are also invited to join the panel. By organising this panel, the conveners seek to provide a forum for discussing the latest developments in Islamic online/offline religiosity in Southeast Asia.

(4) Double Session: 6 presenters

(5) 1 discussant