



Dear Colleagues, Members of the Board, and Partners,

It is with great pride that we can announce another prestigious addition to our board of academic advisors in the esteemed Professor Duncan McCargo.

Duncan is a Professor of Political Science at the University of Leeds, UK, alongside his annual spring-semester role as a Visiting Professor of Political Science at Columbia University in New York. He is perhaps best known for his agenda-setting contributions to current debates on the politics of Thailand, where his work is centrally concerned with the nature of power.

McCargo has spent several years in Thailand, has lived in Singapore, taught in Cambodia and Japan, and published on Indonesia and Vietnam. Time magazine wrote of his work, “No armchairs for this author... McCargo is the real McCoy.”. McCargo’s ninth book, *Tearing Apart the Land: Islam and Legitimacy in Southern Thailand* (Cornell University Press 2008) won the Asia Society’s inaugural Bernard Schwartz Book Prize. He was a visiting scholar at the Center for Khmer studies in Phnom Penh, 2004-05, and has written several articles on Cambodian politics.

Future Forum views Duncan’s wealth of regional experience and academic prowess as immeasurably valuable assets for our program and mission driving forward.

Best Wishes,

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Founder and president