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NATIONAL MUSEUMS, HISTORY AND IDENTITY

21 NOVEMBER 2011, MONDAY | 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM | RIVER ROOM, ASIAN CIVILISATIONS MUSEUM

The European Commission is currently investing 2.7 million Euros (S\$4,755,000) in a research project to examine the ways in which history is deployed within European national museums. The project seeks to explore a new potential role for national museums in the construction of a more cohesive Europe.

The School of Museum Studies at the University of Leicester is a member of the Eunamus consortium studying the roles of national museums across Europe and how they have changed over time. This session will look beyond Europe for models of the national museum as a site of negotiation of historical identities.

In this session, Prof Knell will discuss the kinds of work being undertaken in Europe, Asia and elsewhere, and ask what might be the future role of national museums as sites of political negotiation within the nation and between nations.

Registration:

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Simon Knell is professor of museum studies in the School of Museum Studies at the University of Leicester. He is a museologist, geographer and cultural historian with a particular interest in museums and material culture. He has published extensively on museum collecting and collections, material culture and the material purposes of museums, and on learned societies and the socialisation of science. Prof Knell is leading two out of the seven work groups in the Eunamus project.

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