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To whom it may concerns,

Building a Resilient Research Environment in South East Asia, 23-24 May 2019, Hanoi

The University of Kent (UK) is engaged in two high-profile research projects in South East Asia. [The OSIRIS Project](#), led by [Professor Maria Paola Scaparra](#) is applying mathematical modelling techniques for disaster management and infrastructure planning in Vietnam. [The SEARC Project](#), led by [Professor Colin Robinson](#) is building capacity for the production of animal vaccines and biopharmaceuticals in Thailand and the wider SEA region. **We want to use these projects as stepping stones to forming new collaborations within SEA, all with the aim of carrying out impactful research that addresses the [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#).** Our experience of working with our partners on these projects, however, has shown that while they urgently need more research funding, they can lack knowledge of the international funding landscape and of the specific requirements attached to securing and then managing research grants.

To tackle this, we are running this **1.5 day conference in Hanoi** aimed at both **academics and research administration and management professionals**. Through participating in a series of talks, structured workshops and networking activities, delegates will leave with an increased knowledge of:

- The range of UK research funds that are available to them;
- How they can maximise their chances of success in applying for and managing research funding; and,
- How the University of Kent and SEA institutions can build strong and sustainable partnerships for the future.

More information can be found on the event website [HERE](#).

Places are **FREE** but delegates will need to cover the costs of their travel and accommodation. A limited number of travel bursaries are, however, available to support delegates from Low and Middle Income Countries. Please visit the [REGISTRATION PAGE](#) for more information and to book your place.

Yours sincerely



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