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## Director's Message



Exploring locally, nationally and globally.

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## Event Summary

### 1 2nd Lecture on Frontiers in Humanities

The second Lecture on Frontiers in Humanities organized by the Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (IAS) was successfully held onsite and online on 14 October 2022 (Friday). Prof. Maggie Fu, Associate Professor of the Department of Finance and Business Economics, Programme Director of Doctor of Business Administration, and Research Fellow of IAS, was invited to give a lecture on the topic “Venture capital investment in university spin-offs: Evidence from an emerging economy”, and share her research achievements. Prof. Endong Yang, Assistant Professor of the Department of Finance and Business Economics, was invited to be the moderator.

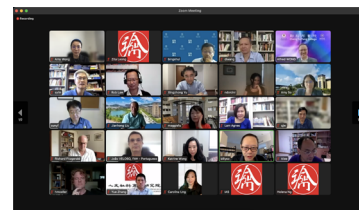
Prof. Fu first introduced university spin-off companies (USOs) and venture capital (VC). Taking the development of China's VC industry as a developing country as an example, she analyzed the advantages and disadvantages of government venture capital (GVCs) and private venture capital (PVCs) for university spin-off companies. Prof. Fu's research shows that GVCs invest more in USOs. VC



investment in USOs is more prominent in deals which have a higher initial equity commitment of academic founders and a noncontrolling strategy, highlighting the importance of delivering “value” “commitment”, and “trust” signals in winning VC funding.

## 2 2022 IAS Fellows Welcome Meeting

The welcome meeting for IAS Fellows was successfully concluded in the afternoon of September 23, 2022. The event, chaired by Prof. Billy So was held online and attended by 26 Fellows. During the meeting, Prof. Billy So briefly introduced the establishment background, research direction and academic activities of the IAS of the University of Macau and welcomed the IAS Fellows.



## 3 Luncheon Meeting on 25 October 2022

Prof. Hans-Georg Moeller : *Identity and Gender*

Prof. Wang Di : *Public Life in Socialist China*

Prof. Hans-Georg Moeller brought a share of his research titled “Identity and Gender: From Role to Profile”. He first introduced Three Identity Technologies: Sincerity, Authenticity, and Proficility . He detailed the transformation of Identity and Gender from gender roles to “individualism”. Based on the case study, he emphasized: Transgender identities today are often different from sincerity and authenticity and they are often aligned with persona building: transgender identities are validated through genuine investment and are geared towards secondary observations of “average peers”.

Prof. Wang gave a brief speech as the Associate Director of IAS, expressing gratitude to the fellows and members who supported the activities of IAS, welcoming the new members and leaders, and expressing his appreciation for the future of IAS. Prof. Wang first mentioned “Public Space”, which is a proper term he has often mentioned in the past, defining it as a public space with “No privacy”, “For socialization, pleasure, or economic purposes”, “Could be influenced by politics”. He put the city under the micro space to study people’s thinking and behaviours, which can provide a summary, legal advice and perspectives for city managers since people’s lives are always new and changing.



## 4 Luncheon Meeting on 27 October 2022

Prof. Rostam J. Neuwirth : *Law, Language, Technology and the Perception of Time*

Prof. Richard Fitzgerald : *The Emerging Contours of Digital Society: Remastering, Reconsideration, Reorientation and New Socio-Digital Domains*

Prof. Lin Shaoyang first gave a welcome speech to the IAS Fellows. Afterwards, the IAS Fellows took turns to briefly introduce and exchange their research fields and interests.



Prof. Rostam J. Neuwirth made a presentation, regarding contradictions and paradoxes of space and time crossing over into the fields of law, language authenticity and artificial intelligence. The presentation was followed by Prof. Richard Fitzgerald, who shared the new research, a work that brings together cutting-edge social science research and theoretical insights into the emerging contours of the digital society.

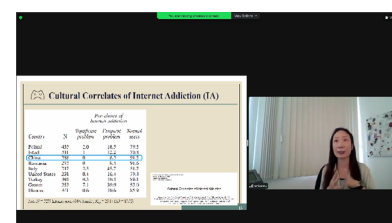
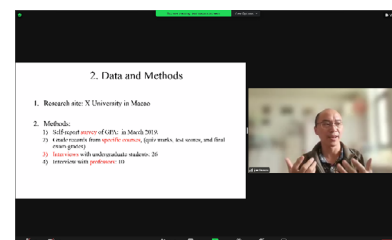
## 5 Luncheon Meeting on 31 October 2022

Prof. Wu Man Sze Anise : *IGD among Adults in Macao: Community-dwelling Adults, Online Gamers, and University Students*

Prof. Xu Jianhua : *One University, Two Worlds? The Polarization of Academic Performance in Macao's Higher Education*

Prof. Wu Man Sze Anise shared the recent research results on internet gaming disorder (IGD), particularly from the perspective of gaming motivation, people's game frequency, increase monetary expenses, the problematic smartphone uses and problem gambling symptoms. Besides, Prof. Xu Jianhua's presentation gave a panoramic perspective on substantially polarized academic performance in higher education in Macau and analyzed the reasons and factors behind it, which provided research-based intellectual support for policy-making in the area of education in Macao.

For more information regarding other IAS events, please visit: <https://ias.um.edu.mo/>



## Upcoming Event

### 1 3rd Public Lecture in 2022/2023: From Algorithmic Society to Web 3.0

**Speaker:** Prof. Xingzhong YU

**Language:** Chinese

**Date:** 18 November 2022 (Friday)

**Time:** 15:00-16:30 pm

**Mode:** Lecture Hall (E34-G011) + Zoom



### 3 1st Guia Lecture : History of “Mahjong” and “Teahouse”

**Speaker:** Prof. Di WANG

**Language:** Chinese

**Date:** 2 December 2022 (Friday)

**Time:** 15:00-17:00 pm

**Mode:** Lecture Hall (E34-G011) + Zoom



### 2 Exchange visit at N21

**Time:** 14 November 2022 (Monday)

**Location:** N21

(ICI-CCBS, CDS, SICC, SKL-AMSV,  
SKL-IOTSC, SKL-ICMS, FHS  
MoE Frontiers Science Centre)