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AA 研共共課題「東南アジアにおけるイスラーム主義と社会・文化要因の相互作用に関する
学際的研究－トランスナショナルなネットワークと現地の応答」

2021年度第2回研究会（通算第4回目）
日時：2020年9月11日（日）14:00–17:20
場所：ZOOM会合

概要：2021年9月11日（土）に今年度第2回の研究会を実施した。副代表であるAA研の
床呂所員による本年度趣旨説明に続いて、下記のように共同研究員であるOmar Farouk
氏（広島市立大）とNajib Burhani氏（LIPI）により、それぞれシンガポールのアラブ人コ
ミュニティ、インドネシアにおけるデジタル・イスラームの実践をめぐる報告、ならびに参
加者全員による質疑応答を実施した（要旨は下記を参照）。

Omar氏の報告に際しては、シンガポールのアラブ人コミュニティにおけるアイデンティ
ティのうちイスラームとアラブ人という二つのアイデンティティ間の関係や、その多言語
習得をめぐって参加者との間に議論があり、いずれも重層的なアイデンティティや多元的
な言語使用状況についての説明があった。Najib氏の報告に関しては参加者からパンデミッ
クの影響下におけるデジタル化の肯定的側面と否定的側面に関する質問等があり、報告
者からは後者の事例として金曜礼拝をめぐる論争などの紹介があった。

報告の概要はそれぞれ下記の通りである。

報告タイトル：The Dynamics of Arab Identity in Singapore
報告者：Omar Farouk（AA研共同研究員、広島市立大学）
要旨：The Arabs have been an integral feature of Singapore even before its founding by
Stamford Raffles in 1819. They were recognized by Raffles as an entrepreneurial community
who could contribute to the development of the new settlement. In terms of size the Arab
community is among the smallest although its resilience is remarkable. The theme of Arab
presence in Singapore has aroused considerable academic interests and there have been
several historical and sociological studies on the subject. Lim’s academic exercise on the Arabs
is one of the earliest sociological works. Ameen Ali Talib’s article on the Hadhramis in the
Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs examines the evolution of Arab or Hadhrami identity in
Singapore. Structural factors, such as economic conditions in Singapore and political developments in Hadhramaut were said to have disrupted the old ties which pre-existed. As a distinguished Singaporean Arab scholar he was keen to revive the Arabic identity in Singapore. Leif Manger’s article, “Hadhramis in Singapore: Making Muslim Space in a Global City“ is about Arab identity. The paper focuses on the process of Hadhrami adaptations in Singapore. In between the above works there have also been various different attempts drawing on essentially historical sources to fully appreciate the role of the Arabs in Singapore. This particular paper seeks to depict the characteristics of the Singaporean Arabs based on a questionnaire survey administered in Singapore in 1997, on 44 respondents. While not being unmindful of the existing corpus of literature on the Arabs in Singapore the paper hopes to examine the dynamics of Arab identity in the republic.

報告者: Najib Burhani (AA 研共同研究員, インドネシア科学院)
要旨: Before the Covid-19 pandemic, the use of digital platforms in religious rituals was already becoming an increasingly common practice among Indonesian preachers to reach out to young audiences. During the pandemic, some Muslim organisations and individual preachers have speeded up the use of such platforms as a way to communicate with people and to continue with religious practices among the umma. Among religious rituals that have shifted online are virtual tahlil (praying and remembering dead person), silaturahim (visiting to each other) during Eid al-Fitr, haul (commemorating death of someone), and tarawih (night prayer during Ramadan). These new modes of rituals were accepted without much controversy. Controversy, however, abounds regarding the online version of the Friday Prayer. This is particularly because in Islamic law, this ritual is wajib (mandatory) for male Muslims, while the previous ones are only mustahab (recommended). Notwithstanding the controversy, some progressive scholars from Muhammadiyah such as Wawan Gunawan Abdul Wahid and Usman Hamid, have put forth well-argued and well-substantiated legal arguments for the permissibility of virtual Friday prayers. Such arguments have served to address the conundrum facing pious Indonesian Muslims who desire to fulfil their religious obligations while keeping safe and healthy during a pandemic. Such innovative approaches to Islamic jurisprudence also illustrate progressive strands in Indonesian Islam not observed elsewhere in the Muslim world.

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