



## CALL FOR INTEREST WORKSHOP ON HOW TO DEFINE A RESEARCH QUESTION

This call for interest aims to identify Bachelor (last year recommended), masters and PhD students interested in participating in a training on how to define a research question. The answers to the questions below will allow the speakers to select the participants for the workshop.

**Response deadline: May 15, 2021**

Questionnaire to be returned to Mr. NON Dara, Royal University of Fine Arts: [daranon@hotmail.com](mailto:daranon@hotmail.com) / 069 850 390 (Telegram)

### PRESENTATION AND WORKSHOPS PROGRAM

#### **Context :**

Initiated in 2010 and jointly supported by the National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO) and IRD, the MANUSASTRA project has supported the establishment of a comprehensive humanities research training system in French and on the entire university cycle, from Bachelor to doctorate. Following the success of "Université des Moussons" launched in 2012, which allows undergraduates to acquire a double degree from one of the three HEIs partner (Royal University of Fine Arts, Royal University of Phnom Penh or National Institute of Education) and from INALCO, this collaboration was extended to the second cycle, with the creation in 2014 of a Master's program.

The third phase of the project now aims to train a generation of French-speaking and English-speaking Cambodian doctoral students and young researchers, in order to build a community of high-level specialists in their respective disciplines (mainly Linguistics, History and Anthropology, but also other disciplines such as Geography or Educational matters). Manusastra phase 3 thus focuses on capacity building at the master's and doctoral levels, through the provision of seminars and training workshops offered at the CHaS! (inter-HEI research center) created in Phnom Penh in October 2019. Through this center, which should lead to the country's first doctoral school in Humanities and social sciences, the PSF-South MANUSASTRA 3 also supports the structuring of master's and doctoral programs within from three Cambodian partner universities: the Royal University of Fine Arts (URBA), the Royal University of Phnom Penh (URPP) and the National Institute of Education (INE). It involves the organization of several workshops involving researchers from Europe and from other countries of the region, experienced in the management of international research projects and in particular through the structuring programs of the IRD (JEA, LMI, GDRI-Sud). Each year, an immersive week also enables young researchers, masters and doctoral students to be initiated into field research in Cambodia.



**For 2021**, 3 workshops and 1 field trip will be organized for masters, PhD students and young colleagues, in order to initiate new projects from data sessions and bottom up perspectives. Bachelor students who are finishing their BA this year and would like to continue in Master degree are also encouraged to participate in the workshops.

- Workshop 1: How to define a research question (June 2021)
- Workshop 2: What to do and collect on the field? (September 2021)
- Fieldwork: An immersive fieldwork week to discover fieldwork methodologies (October 2021)
- Workshop 3: How to analyze data from the field in order to answer research questions and publish? (December 2021)

**Workshop languages:** Khmer or English or French.

**Place:** Online via Zoom

**Dates:** June 3 and 8 2021 from 2pm to 5pm

**Provisional Program:**

Day 1: June 3 2021 from 2pm to 5pm

- Workshop objectives
- Situations that can lead the researcher to identify a problem/question
- What is a research problem/question?
- How do we know that our research problem is a real research problem and that it will require research to be solved?
- Elements leading to research problem/question definition

Day 2: June 8 2021 from 2pm to 5pm

- Research problem/question presentation
- Research problem/question development and writing

Among motivated participants for the first workshop, 12 people will be selected in June for further training, field trip and individual work sessions with the speakers.



## CALL FOR INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire can be answered in Khmer, English or French

1. Name:

2. Institution :

3. Occupation :

If you are a student, please add major and year :

4. Why are you interested in this workshop?

5. Are you available on the dates selected for this workshop (June 3 and 8 2021)? Full attendance throughout the workshop will be requested.

YES       NO

6. Have you already participated in training or course in how to define a research question?

YES       NO

If YES, please describe it in a few lines (when, the speakers, for what purpose)

7. Are you interested in participating in research activities in Social Sciences or Humanities?

YES       NO

8. What foreign languages do you have a good command of in writing?

-  English, level: .....

-  French, level: .....

-  Others .....