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Yû dî mî hèng "Être bien, avoir la force" : Essai sur les pratiques thérapeutiques lao / Richard Pottier
Paris, Ecole française d'Extrême-Orient, 2007.
541 p., ill. en noir.
978-2-85539-701-6
PEFEO Monographies n° 192
\$ 90.00

In this essay the author describes and analyses Lao Therapeutic practices. These are characterised by a syncretism that combine a cleary Tai substrata (shamanism, ancestor cult and territorial spirits) with Indo-Khmer influences (Buddhism, and medical and astrological concepts of Indian origin). He endeavours to demonstrate that Lao Syncritism rests not on synthsis which would lead to logically compatible and intrinsically heterogenous representations, but rather on the unconscious attribution of a significance identical to representations, which at a conscious level remain juxtaposed.

Luang Prabang: Splendeur Des rites du Nouvel = An New Year's Traditions and pageantry / Samsanouk Mixay (s.l.);(s.n.), 2006 29p,21cm \$ 8.00

The Middle Mekong River Basin : Studies in Tai History and Culture / Ed by Constance M Wilson DeKalb, ILL : Northern Illinois University, 2008 400p. with Maps and appendices Monograph No.9. 978-1-891134-30-2 \$ 28.00

Current economic development policies are radically changing the Mekong river and the lives of the People along its banks. But what was life along the Mekong like before the late nineteenth-century explorations by European Powers? Seven articles consider the history, art, literature, religious beliefs, and social urbanization and Tai-

Lui, Shan, Black Tai, and lao Peoples from their arrival in the Mekong River Basin in the Nineteenth Century.

Sabaydee Pimay: Happy New Year (English Version): Luang Prabang

s.l.: Damis Films Production, 2007

1 DVD \$ 20.00

This thirty minute film is the occasion to bring back to life one of the most beautiful celebrations in laos and to better understand the Lao Culture whose roots go back to the dawn of time.

Aspects of Katu Traditional Medicine(Lao-Katu-English) / Khamluan Sulavan, Nancy A. Costello

Vientiane: Institute of Research on Lao Culture, 1995

534p., 24cm.

\$ 40.00

Katu Folktales and Society: NooQ TARUUIH KATU (KATU-LAO-ENGLISH) / Nancy A. Costello

Lao: Ministry of information and culture, Institute of research on Lao Culture and Society, 1993

942p.,26cm.

\$ 50.00

Promenade Archeologique Dans Les Environs De Vientiane / Bruno Brunetti et al.

Vientiane: Monument Books, 2007

86p.; 18cm. 9789747660661 In French

\$ 25.00

La Saga du Café Lao : Scenes de Vie = The Saga of Lao Coffee: The Life Behind / Sam Sisombat

Laos: The Bolovens Plateau and Pakse, 2006

1v.; 16cm. In French \$ 9.00

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Archaeology in Laos

Bangkok: SEAMO-SPAFA, c2007

55p.; 28cm. ISSN: 0858-1975

SPAFA Journal, Volume 17, Number 2 (May - August 2007):

\$ 10.00 Per Issue – Subscriptions Handled

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Art

La Peinture Contemporaine Lao = Lao Contemporary Art / Dr. Bounthieng

Siripaphanh

Vientiane: Treasures of Asia, 2007

123p.,24.8cm 9789810594442 \$ 60.00

Economics & Development Studies

Addressing the impact of the phasing out of textiles and clothing quotas in Lao PDR Vientiane: Committee for Planning & Investment, National Statistics Center, 2007 4v.: 30cm.

Vol.1. Human Development Impact Assessment in Post-Agreement on Textiles and clothing

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Summary Report

Vientiane: National Economic Research Institute & UNDP, 2007

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Lao PDR Economic Monitor/November 2007

Vientiane: The World Bank Vientiane office, 2007

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Economic Review/December 2007, Issue 12

Vientiane: National Economic Research Institute, 2007

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: Results of Household and Supplier Surveys / Brett E. Coleman, Jon Wynne

Philippines: Asian Development Bank, Financial Reform and Strengthening Initiative, 2006

78p.,22cm.

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Vientiane : Mekong Wetlands Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use Programme, UNDP, 2008

1v.

\$ 35.00

The Lao-IRRI Rice Research and Training Project: Annual Technical Report 2006

Vientiane: Lao-IRRI Project, 2007

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Bangkok: IUCN, 2008

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Vientiane: Asia Gold Media, 2007

616p.; 29cm. \$ 15.00

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Creating Laos: The Making of a Lao Space between Indochina and Siam, 1860-1945

/ Søren Ivarsson

Copenhagen: NIAS Press, 2008

250p.; 11 Figures

978-87-7694-023-2 (PB)

NIAS Monographs | Volume: 112

\$ 36.00

The existence of Laos today is taken for granted. But the crystallization of a Lao national idea and ultimate independence for the country was a long and uncertain process. This book examines the process through which Laos came into existence under French colonial rule through to the end of World War II. Rather than assuming that the Laos we see today was an historical given, the book looks at how Laos's

position at the intersection of two conflicting spatial layouts of 'Thailand' and 'Indochina' made its national form a particularly contested process.

This, however, is not an analysis of nation-building from the perspec-tive of administrative and political structures. Rather, the book charts the emergence of a notion of a specifically Lao cultural identity that served to buttress Laos as a separate 'Lao space', both in relation to Siam/Thailand and within French Indochina.

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Vientiane: The Department for Promotion and Management of Domestic and Foreign Investment, Committee for Planning and Investment, 2007

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Law on commercial Banks (Lao-English) Vientiane: Govt of Lao PDR, 2007

103p., 23cm.

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Lao PDR Poverty Trends 1992/3-2002/3 / Kaspar Richter, Roy van der Weide, Phonesaly Souksavath

Vientiane: Committee for Planning & Investment, National Statistics Center, 2006 59p.; 30cm.

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Official Gazette

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Vientiane: Lao National Tourism Administration, 2008

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