

...Provides free and open access to rare and unique archival materials created in and about Southeast Asia...

Grant funding built SEADL's infrastructure, but proved unable to sustain the administrative costs and collection growth over time

The project has transitioned away from that precarity to a **sustainable member-funded consortium model**

Membership has grown from 17 founding institutions to 30 affiliated institutions

Dues of various tiers accommodate institutions of all budgets and are, at most, \$5,000 per year

Members select new collections democratically and benefit from shared funding, archival materials, expertise, project management, digital preservation, and online hosting and to grow and protect historically underrepresented Southeast Asia collections for all



SEADL

**Southeast Asia
Digital Library:**

**Sustainability
through
Cooperation**

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***1,100% increase in users in the
first five years of the transition***

Digitization doesn't replace physical conservation, but succeeds as a supplemental means of protecting cultural heritage via open dissemination of surrogate materials

Robust inclusive description and high quality imaging provide access to the intellectual content of the materials, spreading awareness of and generating interest in the corresponding physical collections

27 Collections

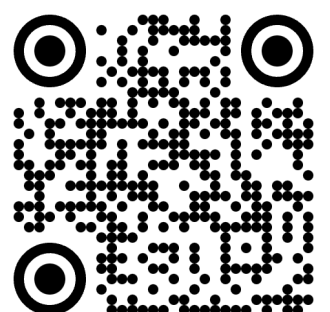
10,000+ Items

4 Forthcoming
Collections

20+ Languages

11 Countries

500+ Topics



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