Asia Pacific Business Institute
fonds

Compiled by Peggie Heger and Max Steiner (2004)

*** Institutional records -- researcher access subject to review ***

University of British Columbia Archives
Table of Contents

- **Fonds Description**
  - Title / Dates of Creation / Physical Description
  - Administrative History
  - Scope and Content
  - Notes

- **Series Descriptions**
  - Administrative series
  - Clippings and Publications series
  - Committees, Taskforces and Conferences series
  - Correspondence series
  - Financial series
  - Organizational History series
  - Legal series
  - Photographs series

- **File List**

- **Catalogue entry** (UBC Library catalogue)
Fonds Description

25 cm of textual records.
32 photographs.

Administrative History

The Asia Pacific Business Institute (APBI), originally known as the Centre for Asia Pacific Business Studies (CAPBS) was founded in 1985 and administered jointly between UBC, SFU and UVIC with funding from the Federal Government. The purpose of the organization was to coordinate, develop, and disseminate information to enable Canadian businessmen to deal effectively with the diverse business practices and cultures in the Asia-Pacific region. In 1986 it was decided to close the CAPBS and reestablish it as a non-profit Society that would administer its own finances and the CAPBS became the Asia Pacific Business Institute with Joe Weiler as its executive director. The APBI was dissolved in 1990.

Scope and Content

This fonds consists of correspondence, minutes, reports, financial records, published materials and clippings, legal contracts and photographs created or acquired by the Asia Pacific Business Institute and document the administrative and financial activities of the organization. The records are arranged in the following series: Administrative, Clippings and Publications, Committees, Taskforces and Conferences, Correspondence, Financial, Organizational History, Legal, and Photographs.

Notes

Fonds consists of institutional records – access requests must be reviewed by the University’s FOIPOP Coordinator.

File list available.

Alternative title for fonds: The Centre for Asia Pacific Business Studies fonds

Due to the incompleteness of the records themselves, research was conducted to determine the Institute’s administrative history. Unfortunately, insufficient information is available regarding the conditions leading to the final closure of the Institute.

Records relating to the Asia Pacific Business Institute can also be found at the Simon Fraser University Archives as part of the Faculty of Business Administration fonds.
Series Descriptions

6.5 cm of textual records

Series consists of administrative records regarding activities of the APBI and includes minutes and records of the Board of Directors and Board of Trustees.

0.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of various Newspaper Clippings and Publications relating to the Asia Pacific Business Institute.

2.5 cm of textual records.

This series consists of the various conferences, committees and taskforces associated with the APBI and include records of the Asian Law Taskforce and the Pacific Rim Comparative Labour Policy Conference.

**Correspondence Series.** – 1984-1987.
3 cm of textual records.

Series consists of correspondence relating to the activities of the Asia Pacific Business Institute.

6 cm of textual records.

Series consists of financial records including Activity Reports, records relating to audits, Cash Flow Estimates and Statement of Expenditure.

4.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of records relating to the foundation, reorganization and closure of the Asia Pacific Business Institute and also includes a business profile of the institution.

2 cm of textual records.
Series consists of legal documentation including, the Asia Pacific Business Institute’s constitution and bylaws and legal agreements establishing the Asia Pacific Business Institute and its relationship to UBC.

**Photographs Series.** – [n.d.].
32 photographs.

Series consists of portrait photographs of Joseph M Weiler, Executive Director of the APBI.
File List

Box 1

LEGAL SERIES

1-1  APBI Constitution and Bylaws  1985-1988

ADMINISTRATIVE SERIES

1-2  Board of Directors' Meeting  1986
1-3  Board of Directors' Minutes and Related Records  1986-1987
1-4  Board of Trustees Records (including minutes and records relating to the
dissolution of the CAPBS in favour of the APBI)  1985
1-5  Board of Trustees and Board of Directors Lists - Includes records relating to
the hiring and appointment of members  1985-1986
1-6  Record file of D. Klassen - APBI Administrative Assistant  1987
1-7  Records regarding a proposed task force study on Industrial Policy IBC
Productivity  1987
1-8  Records relating to honorarium  1986-1987
1-9  Records regarding the Asian Legal Service Centre Research Project  1987
1-10 Records relating to the registration and use of APBI trademark  1987-1988
1-11 Register of members and sample membership application  1986-1987
1-12 Records relating to research of Vancouver as possible headquarters for
corporations interested in Pan-Pacific trade  1987
1-13 Miscellaneous Records  1985-1987

COMMITTEES, TASKFORCES AND CONFERENCES SERIES

1-14 Pacific Rim Comparative Labour Policy Conference  1987
1-15 Records relating to the Asian Law Taskforce  1986
CORRESPONDENCE SERIES

1-16 Correspondence - Paul-Emile Leblanc - Director of Centres of Specialization Fund  1985-1986
1-17 Correspondence pertaining to the use of APBI as a Secretariat For the Hong-Kong - Canada Business Association  1986
1-18 Correspondence relating to Centers of Specialization  1984-1985
1-19 Correspondence - Swinson and Company  1986-1987

FINANCIAL SERIES

1-20 Activity Reports  1985-1987
1-22 Correspondence relating to audit - Including financial statement  1986
1-23 Correspondence relating to audit  1987
1-24 Statement of Expenditures and estimates

Box 2

ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY SERIES

2-1 Records relating to the founding and funding of the Canadian Centre for Asia Pacific Business Studies (CAPBS) - later renamed the Asia Pacific Business Institute (APBI)  1984-1985
2-2 Tri-University Proposal for Specific Rim Studies  1985?
2-3 APBI Opening Ceremony Address  1986
2-4 APBI Business Profile  1986
2-5 Records related to potential merger between the APBI and the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada [Package sent to Ray Anderson of APBI]  1987
2-6 Records relating to the reorganization of the APBI  1987-1988
2-7 Records relating to the closure of the APBI  1986-1988

LEGAL SERIES (cont.)

2-8 Indenture between the APBI and Tokyu Canada Corporation  1987
2-9 Records certifying the incorporation of the APBI under the Society Act  1986
2-10 Legal Contracts  1985-1987
PHOTOGRAPHS SERIES

2-11 Photographs of Joseph M. Weiler, Executive Director of the APBI

CLIPPINGS AND PUBLICATIONS SERIES

2-12 APBI Clippings and Publications 1985-1987