

International Conference Commemorating International Migrants' Day
“A Forced March into Uncertainty”
Migration, Security and Justice

Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 December 2017
Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand
13 (12A) Floor Auditorium,
Kasem Uttayanin Building (New Political Science Building)

The reasons migrants make the calculated and very difficult decision to migrate within the ASEAN region are consistent in there being no work at home and a desperate need to earn money for their families, who either remain at home, or travel with them. Regionally, it is the push – pull factor, where migrants in countries of origin (CoO) migrate to countries of destination (CoD) due to better economic opportunities. The vast majority of migrant workers are unskilled and more often than not, undocumented. Individually these factors have their own inherent risks and consequences, including harm to their personal safety, exploitation, discrimination, arrest and deportation; and when combined, it can often be a horrendous experience and sometimes fatal.

There are numerous international and regional frameworks relating to migration including ICESCR, ICCPR, ICRMW, ILO Conventions; ASEAN AEC Blueprint 2015, AICHR, ACWC, ACMW, Human Rights Commissions; and the ASEAN Convention on Trafficking in Persons (ACTIP) 2015. Most recently the 17 Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by world leaders in September 2015, meant government ownership to establish national frameworks, with countries accepting primary liability and responsibility for the monitoring and successful implementation of these Goals. Yet the issue of migration and the protection of migrants remains challenging and fraught with difficulties and inconsistencies, including failure to ratify and implement these legal structures; impotent enforcement and ratification of legislation; and a failure to establish an infrastructure to ensure the right to seek access to justice and compensation.

Despite the demand for migrant labor and their overwhelmingly understated contribution to the socio-economic welfare and GDP of each country of destination and origin, they are still not afforded the respect and protection they deserve and are owed. More effective and constructive interaction between ASEAN countries to facilitate mutual solutions that benefit everyone should be encouraged and enacted. There needs to be a combined effort to see beyond negative nationalism that is often misused to erect barriers restricting the movement and rights of migrants.

Over 2 days this conference will bring together authorities, international organizations, grassroots organizations, academia, employers and employees, and activists and advocates, to represent and share their research, opinions, ideas and experiences that affect migration and trafficking. By providing a safe forum, all representatives are encouraged to interact and instigate innovative and successful discourse to highlight the main concerns and problems that continue to have a negative impact on these critical phenomena.

The aim is to explore and establish mutually workable strategies, incorporating new innovational programs, policies and initiatives to help support and protect the rights of migrants. It is intended that these will significantly contribute to ensuring that migrants can be assured of security and justice that in turn provides certainty that their human rights are respected and sustained. Practical interaction during the conference will potentially reinforce better working relationships in reality. The conference will combine panel presentations and plenary discussions from both actors and stakeholders, culminating in participatory focus groups and workshops. International and regional representatives from the state and private sector, are crucial to identifying common areas of interest and goals, as well as critical concerns affecting migrants, especially those who are most at risk of severe exploitation that contributes and exacerbates trafficking and slavery.

Objectives

1. To present and share knowledge about migration, security and justice (including human trafficking, people smuggling, displaced person, refugees, and labor migration) under this year's theme, **“A Forced March into Uncertainty: Migration, Security and Justice”**
2. To discuss and exchange global, regional and national views on current and future migration trends.
3. To facilitate discussion about migration amongst policy-makers, planners, practitioners, civil society, and academia.
4. To explore a range of issues associated with migration, conceptually and on the ground.
5. To harmonize and strengthen the ASEAN migration network at domestic, national, regional and international levels.

Activity description / outcome:

1. A full 2-day of discussions and information sharing on **“A Forced March into Uncertainty: Migration, Security and Justice”**
2. A review and compilation of the discussions, comments from speakers and panelists from this conference.
3. A publication of proceedings.

Conference Agenda
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A Forced March to Uncertainty: Migration, Security and Justice

Monday 18th December 2017	
08h00 to 08h30 (30 mins)	Registration
08h30 to 09h30 (60 mins)	Opening Session : Welcoming Remarks: Assistant Professor Dr. Pirongrong Ramasoota Vice President of Chulalongkorn University Conference Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UN Women representative - ILO; Director, ILO Country Office for Thailand, Cambodia, and Lao People's Democratic Republic - Ministry of Social Development and Human Security (Permanent Secretary) From Chulalongkorn University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Faculty of Political Science; Dean - Institute of Asian Studies; Director
09h30-09h45	Morning Break
09h45 to 10h15 (30 mins)	Keynote address by Professor Vitit Muntarbhorn “Protection of Migrant's Rights :To What Extent?”
10h30 to 12h00 (90 mins)	Panel 1: Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery Chair : Professor Dr .Siroj Sorajjakool (Loma Linda University, CA, U.S.A.) Panelists : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. Wanchai Rujanawong; the Representative of Thailand to ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) for Children's

	<p>Rights, “ASEAN mechanism to end trafficking in persons”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate Professor Dr .Monti Datta; Richmond University, U.S.A. • Sompop Jantraka; “DEPDC and its role in Preventing Ethnic Girls in GMS from Human Trafficking” • Jennie Williams; Independent Consultant
12h00 to 13h00 (60 mins)	Lunch
13h00 to 14h30 (90 mins)	<p>Panel 2 :Women Migration)including Migration, Human Trafficking, Women’s Rights, WEE, Peace and Security(</p> <p>Chair :Dr. Maytinee Pongvej</p> <p>Panelists :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UN Women*, • ASEAN Secretariat* • Dr. Arisman (CSEAS: Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Indonesia): “Human Rights and Labour Migration Across ASEAN” • Ministry of Social Development and Human Security* (DATIP, permanent secretary office) • Dr. Ratchada Jayagupta (ARCM, Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University, and the Representative of Thailand to ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) for women’s right)

4h30-16h00 (90 mins)	<p>Panel 3 :Displaced person /Refugee /Urban Refugee / Rohingya</p> <p>Chair: Prof. Dr. Rosalia Sciortino; Mahidol University</p> <p>Panelists :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr .Jesper; Thammasart University, • Saengduan Irving (AAT) • Methawadee Behnjharachajarunandha (Ph.D Candidate) <p>“Screening Mechanism for Refugees and Undocumented Immigrants in Thailand”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Mohammand Hasan Ansori, Habibie Center, Indonesia; <p>“Beyond Charity: ASEAN and Rohingya Refugee Crisis in Southeast Asia”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baan Srisurat*, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security
16h00 – 16h15	Afternoon Break
16h15 - 17h30 (75 mins)	<p>Panel 4: Living with Floods in a Mobile Southeast Asia</p> <p>Chair: Assistant Professor Naruemon Thabchumpon</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carl Middleton (CSDS) • Bernadette Resurreccion (SEI) • Albert Salamanca (SEI) • Narumon Arunotai (CUSRI) • Apichai Sunchinda (Independent Development Specialist)

<p>17h30 – 18h45 (75 mins)</p>	<p>Panel 5: Youth and Migration Issue Chair: Jennie Williams Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Hartanto Gunawan (with students) • Chakkrid Chansang, IRC (Mae Sot) • Mark Capaldi (ECPAT) • Miu KIMURA, Regional Youth and Volunteering Delegate • * the Children and Youth Council of Thailand
<p>18h45 to 20h30 (105 mins)</p>	<p>Book Launch and Reception/Music Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Asian Research Center for Migration at the Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University (Living with Floods :Middleton et al) - To Walk in Her Shoes, an inside perspective of Thai sex workers in Germany :Prapairat Mix - ILO - College of Population

Tuesday 19 th December 2017	
08h30 to 09h00 (30 mins)	Keynote by Dana Graber Ladek, IOM Thailand Chief of Mission “The Complexities and Dynamics of Regional Migration in Southeast Asia”
09h00 to 10h30 (90 mins)	Panel 6: IUU and Fishing Industry Chair: Professor Emeritus Dr. Supang Chantavanich Panelists : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sompong Srakaew; Labour Rights Promotion Network Foundation (LPN) • CCCIF (Captain Don) • National Fisheries Association (NFAT) • Dr. Chanintr Chalisarapong*; President of Thai Tuna Industry Association
10h30-10h45 (15 mins)	Morning Break
10h45 to 12h15 (90 mins)	Panel 7: RUN Chula (Research University Network) “Human Mobility in ASEAN: Situations and Trends” Chair : Assistant Professor Sukanda Lewis Panelists : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RUN 1.1: Dr. Premjai Vungsiripaisal; Labour mobility of high skilled professional workers • RUN 1.2: Dr. Wadana La-orngplew and Dr. Nattakant Akarapongpisak; Crop Boom and Migration in Southeast Asia • RUN 1.3: Dr. Sirijit Sunanta; Female Labor Migration in care and domestic work in ASEAN and Skill Development Opportunity • RUN 1.4: Dr. Aungkana Kamonpetch; Student Mobility in ASEAN
12h15 to 13h15 (60 mins)	Lunch

13h15 to 14h45 (90 mins)	<p>Panel 8 :Labor Migration (Skilled and Unskilled)</p> <p>Chair: Assist. Prof. Dr. Pataporn Sukontamarn</p> <p>Panelists :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Dr. Eric Fong; CUHK, HongKong, “Migration Among East and Southeast ASEAN countries patterns and trends • Ben Hankins, ILO&IOM, “Risk and rewards: Outcomes of labour migration in South-East Asia” • Asst. Prof. Dr. Piti Srisangnam, ASEAN Studies Center, Chulalongkorn University, “Labour Movement in ASEAN from Agreements to Realities” • Dr. Montakarn Chimmanee, Social Research Institute, “Human Capital Development and Migration Plan of Migrant Workers in Thailand ” • Mr. Vatana Chea, College of Population Studies, “Employment Practice Beyond Mass Legalization: Are Cambodian Migrant Workers Satisfied with it?”
14h45 to 15h45 (60 mins)	<p>Panel 9: Gender and Migration</p> <p>Chair: Professor Dr. Amara Pongsapich</p> <p>Panelists :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rebecca Farber; Ph.D. Candidate, Boston University • Leo Villar; M.A.I.D.S Program, Chulalongkorn University • SWING or UNDP* • Pawin Pettrakul; Alcazar, Pattaya
15h45-16h00 (15 mins)	Afternoon Break

16h00 to 16h45 (45 mins)	<p>Panel 10 :Life and Rights in Destination</p> <p>Chair :Usa Lerdsrisuntad (Foundation for Women)</p> <p>Panelists :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live Our Lives (LOL)* • Dr. Prapairat Mix • Dr. Kanokwan Tangchitnusorn, “Western Retirees in Thailand: Living experience and Future Migration Plans” • Ms. Liz Hilton; EMPOWER
16h45 to 17h30 (45 mins)	<p>Panel 11 :Human Mobility on China’s One Belt-One Road Policy</p> <p>Chair :Associate Professor Dr. Nualnoi Treerat</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr .Narumit Hinshiranan; Chiangmai University • Dr .Suthiphand Chirathiwat; ASEAN Center and CGN • Dr .Nguyen Van Chinh; Hanoi National University • Mr. Koji Kubo; Institute of Developing Economies, IDE-JETRO, Japan
17h30 – 18h30 (60 mins.)	<p>Panel 12 : Using Media and Technology to Prevent Human Trafficking</p> <p>Chair: IOM-X</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thai Superstar/Singer • A 21 • IOM-X
18h30 to 19h00 (30 mins.)	<p>Closing Panel:</p> <p>Chair: Professor Emeritus Dr. Supang Chantavanich</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Surichai Wun’geao • Associate Professor Dr. Panitan Wattanayagorn • Mr. Jerrold W. Huguet
19h00 to 20h00	Closing remark by / Farewell Reception

Ground rules for Chairs and panelists:

10 slide max; each panelist/presenter should present the key findings and problems, and proposed solutions, each has maximum of 15 minutes for their presentations, and have 30 minutes for Qs and As and reflections from the floor.