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Tripartite seminar on strengthening social protection in ASEAN

17-18 November 2014, Bangkok, Thailand
Vie Hotel Bangkok, Thailand

AGENDA

17 November 2014 (Monday)

08:30-09:00 **Registration**

09:00-09:30 **Welcoming remarks**

- Mr Nakorn Silpa-Archa, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour of Thailand
- Mr Chinchai Cheecharoen, Technical Advisor on Social Development, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security of Thailand
- Ms Thetis Mangahas, Deputy Director ILO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (ROAP)

Group photo

09:30-10:15 **Session 1: Extension of social protection, a recognized priority in ASEAN**

Moderator: Ms Thetis Mangahas, ILO

- The social protection situation and strategies for its extension in ASEAN, especially among vulnerable groups, i.e. children, older persons, women, migrant workers, rural workers, people with disabilities, indigenous population.

- by Ms Celine Peyron Bista, Chief Technical Advisor on Social Protection, ILO ROAP

- The ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection and the process of developing its Plan of Action

- by Ms Mega Irena, Assistant Director/Head of Social Welfare, Women, Labour and Migrant Workers Division, ASEAN Secretariat

Questions and answers

10.15-10.40 **Coffee Break**

10.40-11.20 **Separate meetings among Government', Workers' and Employers' groups**

11:20-12:15 **Session 2: Workers' and Employers' organizations and the extension of social protection in ASEAN**

Moderator: Mr Xaikham Phannalath, Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare, Lao PDR

- Position by Mr Shamsuddin Bardan, ASEAN Confederation of Employers (ACE)

- ASEAN Trade Unions Statement on Social Protection co-presented by Mr Jovenal Lazaga, ASEAN Trade Union Council (ATUC) and Mr Chinnachot Saengsanka, representative of Trade Unions of Thailand

Questions and answers

12:15–13:30

Lunch break

13:30-14:45

Session 3: Identifying common challenges and priority recommendations for the extension of social protection in ASEAN

Moderator: Workers' representatives (tbc)

- Introduction to the group discussion and brief overview of the policy gaps and implementation issues related to social protection in ASEAN
- Ms Cheng Boon Ong, Social Protection Consultant

- Group discussion (1): Identifying challenges to extend social protection floor guarantees (Health, Children, Working Age, Elderly) and common recommendations for improving social protection across ASEAN Member States.

Working groups per guarantee (4 groups) identify common recommendations across Member States :

- Identify common challenges facing the extension of social protection floor guarantees across Member States;
- Agree on common priority recommendations for strengthening social protection in ASEAN, aligned with the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection and the ILO Recommendation No.202

14:45–15:00

Coffee break

15:00-15:30

Session 3 (to continue): Presentation of group discussion (1)
Presentation of one group per guarantee.

15:30- 17:00

Session 4: Towards a possible Plan of Action for the implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on strengthening social protection

Moderator: Ms Siriwan Romchatthong, Employers' representative, Thailand (tbc)

- Group discussion (2): Defining a common denominator (concrete actions and time frame)

Commitments of the ASEAN Declaration are divided into thematic clusters (6 groups) with representation from Ministries of Labour and Social Welfare, Workers and Employers. Each group discusses concrete actions to realize the ASEAN Declaration and the identified priority recommendations, according to the following thematic clusters:

- Extending social protection coverage
- Policy-oriented research, evidence-based assessment, capacity building and monitoring framework

- Good governance, effective coordination and delivery, efficient use of resources, and social dialogue mechanisms at national and regional levels

Presentation of the group discussions (2)

18 November 2014 (Tuesday)

08:30–08:45 Introductory remarks for Day 2

08.45–10.00 **Session 5: Adoption of the tripartite concrete actions and time frame for the effective implementation of the ASEAN Declaration**

Moderator: ILO

In plenary, endorsement of the recommendations of the seminar

10:00–10:45 **Session 6: Committing for the implementation of concrete actions of the future ASEAN Plan of Action on Social Protection.**

Moderator: (tbc)

Group discussion (3):

Participants are divided into their respective group (government, workers, employers and development partners). Each group selects concrete national and regional actions to realize the ASEAN Declaration and achieve social protection floors in ASEAN, especially for vulnerable groups, i.e. children, older persons, rural and migrant workers, among others; and commit for their implementation.

- Concluding statements by government', workers', employers' and development's partners representatives and presentation of their respective list of actions.

10:45–11:00 **Coffee break**

18 November 2014 (Tuesday)

11:00–12:30 **Tripartite Advisory Project Committee of ILO/Japan Project on Income Security and Employment Services in ASEAN**

Separate agenda distributed to the members of the TPAC

12:30–13:30 **Lunch**
