

14TH INFORMAL ASEM SEMINAR ON HUMAN RIGHTS “HUMAN RIGHTS AND BUSINESSES”

18 - 20 November 2014

Hanoi, Viet Nam

(Draft Programme as of 11 November 2014)

Day 1 – Tuesday, 18 November 2014

Venue: Crowne Plaza West Hanoi

09:00 - 12:30 **Side Event on Human Rights and Businesses: Collective Bargaining**
Venue: Grand Ballroom
Organised by the Institute for Human Rights Studies, Institute for Workers and Trade Unions and Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Viet Nam
(concept note can be accessed [here](#); registration for the side-event starts at 08:30)

14:00 - 16:00 **Registration of participants**
Venue: grand ballroom @ level 2

Official Welcome
Venue: Grand Ballroom, Crowne Plaza West Hanoi

16:00 – 16:20 **Chair**
ZHANG Yan, Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

Opening Speech on Behalf of the Host, Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
NGUYEN Thanh Hoa, Vice Minister of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (tbc – 10 min)

Opening Speech on Behalf of the Organisers
Jerril G. SANTOS, Ambassador of the Philippines to Vietnam (10 min)

Opening Plenary

16:20 – 16:50 **Chair**
Rolf RING, Deputy Director, Raoul Wallenberg Institute

Keynote Address

Brice LALONDE (15 min)
Special Advisor on Sustainable Development to the UN Global Compact

Elaine TAN (15 min)
Executive Director, ASEAN Foundation

16:50 – 17:20 **Joint presentation of Background Paper by Main Rapporteurs** (30 min)

Claire METHVEN O'BRIEN
Senior Advisor, Business and Human Rights, The Danish Institute for Human Rights

Sumi DHANARAJAN
Associate, Centre for Asian Legal Studies, National University of Singapore

17:20 - 18:15 Open Plenary Discussion

19:00 – 20:30 Welcome Dinner (welcome speech by H.E. HA Kim Ngoc, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Viet Nam)

Day 2 – Wednesday, 19 November 2014

Venue: Crowne Plaza West Hanoi

09:00 – 18:00 **Closed door sessions.**
Participation by prior invitation – strictly for seminar participants only

Working Group 1: State Duty to Protect Human Rights Against Violations by Businesses

Moderator: Delphia LIM (Harvard Kaufman Fellow)

Rapporteur: Claire METHVEN O'BRIEN (Danish Institute for Human Rights)

Working Group 2: Corporate Responsibility and its Contribution to Human Rights Implementation

Moderator: Jermyn BROOKS (Transparency International)

Rapporteur: Shahamin ZAMAN (The CSR Center)

Working Group 3: Monitoring, Reporting and Access to Remedies

Moderator: Jerome CHAPLIER (European Coalition for Corporate Justice)

Rapporteur: Sumi DHANARAJAN (National University of Singapore)

Working Group 4: Multi-stakeholder Cooperation

Moderator: Maria Elena HERRERA (Asian Institute of Management)

Rapporteur: Karin BUHMANN (Roskilde University and Copenhagen Business School)

Day 3 – Thursday, 20 November 2014

Venue: Crowne Plaza West Hanoi

Closing Plenary

Venue: Grand Ballroom, Crowne Plaza West Hanoi

09:30 - 10:30 **Rapporteurs' Summary on Each Working Group**
***Chair:* Marine DE CARNÉ**, Ambassador for Bioethics and Corporate Social Responsibility, France

Working Group 1: State Duty to Protect Human Rights Against Violations by Businesses
Presentation – **Claire METHVEN O'BRIEN** (15 min)

Working Group 2: Corporate Responsibility and its Contribution to Human Rights Implementation
Presentation – **Sumi DHANARAJAN** (15min)

Working Group 3: Monitoring, Reporting and Access to Remedies
Presentation – **Shahamin ZAMAN** (15min)

Working Group 4: Multi-stakeholder Cooperation
Presentation - **Karin BUHMANN** (15 min)

10.30 - 10.50 Coffee Break

10: 50 – 11:40 **Q&A Discussion**

12:00 - 13:00	Lunch
13:00 - 15:00	<p><i>Panel Discussion on protecting migrants: the role of the private sector</i></p> <p>Chair: Thierry SCHWARZ, Director of the Political and Economic Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher NG (UNI Global Union) • NGO Huong (Center for Development and Integration) • Serena LILLYWHITE (Oxfam)
15:00 - 15:30	<p>Concluding Remarks</p> <p>Bengt E. JOHANSSON, <i>Swedish Ambassador for Corporate Social Responsibility</i></p> <p>Frédéric TIBERGHIEn, <i>Technical Coordinator & Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, France, & State Counsellor - Conseil d'Etat</i></p> <p><end of programme></p>
19:00 - 21:00	<p>Side-event: National Action Plans on Business and Human Rights</p> <p>Organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands and the Danish Institute for Human Rights</p> <p>(concept paper can be accessed here)</p>

Day 4 –Friday, 21 November 2014

09:00 – 12:00	Cultural Visit for Participants (Optional)
Noon	Departure of Participants