

Provisional Programme (13 December 2002)

“Strategies for Making Globalization More Inclusive for People – Views from the Asia-Pacific”

A Regional Dialogue by the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization 16-17 December 2002, Bangkok.

Monday, 16 December 2002 - UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE CENTRE

- 08.30-09.00 Registration
- 09.00-10.30 Inaugural Session** (*Chair: Mr. Y. Nodera*)
- 09.00-09.10 *Welcome and Introductory remarks*, Mr Yasuyuki Nodera, ILO Regional Director for the Asia-Pacific.
- 09.10-09.25 *“The World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization”*, Opening Address by H.E. Ms Tarja Halonen, President of Finland and Co-Chair of the World Commission.
- 09.25-09.45 *“Making Globalization More Inclusive for People”*, Keynote Address by Dr. Surin Pitsuwan, member of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization.
- 09.45-10.15 *“The World Commission and the Asian Regional Dialogue”*, Views of other Commissioners: Lord Bill Brett, Ms. Victoria Tauli-Corpuz and Dr. Lu Mai.
- 10.15-10.45 *Coffee/Tea break*
- 10.45 – 13.00 Session I - *The impact of globalization on people: the experiences of different countries in the region and the perspectives of key actors.***
(*Chair: Dr. Surin Pitsuwan*)
- 10.45-11.30 *Outcomes of national dialogues on the social dimension of globalization:*
- The Philippines, presented by Ms. Victoria Tauli-Corpuz;
 - China, presented by Dr. Lu Mai.
 - India, presented by Mr. P. Gopinath, Executive Secretary of the World Commission.
- 11.30-12.45 *General discussion on experiences and perspectives in the Asia-Pacific region.*
- Mr. Mueen Afzal, former SG of the Ministry of Finance, Pakistan.
 - Mr. Zainal Rampak, Secretary General of the MTUC, Malaysia.
 - Mr. Nam-hong Cho, Vice President of the Korea Employers’ Federation, ROK.
 - Dr. Ing Kantha Phavi, Secretary of State. Ministry of Women’s and Veteran’s Affairs, Cambodia
 - Mr. F.M. Muzharul Huq, Managing Director of UBINIG, Bangladesh.
- 12.45-14.15 Lunch (*United Nations Conference Centre Dining Room*)

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14.15-18.00 **Session II - *The Asian financial crisis: lessons learned, regional and sub- regional strategies for globalization.***

(Chair: H.E. M.R. Pridiyathorn Devakula, Governor of the Bank of Thailand)

14.15-14.30 Presentation by H.E. M.R. Pridiyathorn Devakula, Governor of the Bank of Thailand.

14.30-16.00 Presentations by:

- Mr. Charles Adams, Asst. Director, IMF Regional Office, Tokyo
- Mr. Kazi Matin, Lead Economist, World Bank Regional Office.
- Mr. J.K. Robert England, UNDP Resident Coordinator.
- Mr. Walden Bello, Focus on the Global South

16.00-16.30 *Coffee/Tea Break*

16.30-18.00 General discussion

18.30 *Reception (at UNCC)*

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9.00-12.30 **Session III - *Regional views on international policies and negotiations for globalization: what aspects should be changed in the areas of trade, finance and development?*** (Chair: Professor Siamwalla)

9.00-9.15 Presentation by Professor Siamwalla, Thailand Development Research Institute.

9.15-10.15 Presentations by:

- Mr. Mani Shankar Aiyar, Member of the Lok Sabha, India.
- Mrs. Apiradi Tantraporn, Director-General of the Dept. of Trade Negotiation, Ministry of Commerce, Thailand.
- Ms. Nieves Confessor, Dean of the Asian Institute of Management, the Philippines.
- Mr. Yoshinori Ohno, Parliamentarian.
- Mr. Rene Ofreneo, University of the Philippines.

10.15-11.15 General discussion

11.15-11.45 *Coffee/Tea Break*

11.45-12.15 Findings and Conclusions of the Regional Dialogue: *a summary by Dr. Surin Pitsuwan*

Closing Remarks by members of the World Commission: *President Tarja Halonen, Lord Bill Brett, Dr. Lu Mai and Ms. Victoria Tauli-Corpuz.*

12.15-13.00 Lunch (*UNCC Dining Room*)

12.30 *Press Conference (UNCC)*