Invitation to the Launch in Bangkok of the International Labour Migration Statistics (ILMS) Database in ASEAN

4 December 2015 Room G, UNCC, Bangkok, Thailand

The ILO ASEAN TRIANGLE Project, funded by the Government of Canada, is pleased to invite you to the Launch in Bangkok of the **International Labour Migration Statistics (ILMS) Database in ASEAN**, and its accompanying **Analytical Report** at 10:00 – 11:30 am on Friday, 4 December 2015 at Room G of the United Nations Conference Center (UNCC) located at 76 Rajadamnern Nok Ave, Bangkok.

The ILMS Database gathers together official government data on international migrant workers' stocks and flows within the region. It is a powerful research tool through which policymakers and others can profile and monitor the international migrant labour force within the region. The ILMS was developed through extensive collaboration with the ASEAN Member States, the ASEAN Secretariat and the International Labour Organization (ILO) and supported by the ILO's ASEAN TRIANGLE project, a project funded by the Government of Canada.

To accompany the ILMS Database, the ILO ASEAN TRIANGLE Project (ATP) completed an **Analytical Report** that presents the quantitative data and meta-data contained in the ILMS Database in ASEAN. This report was validated and endorsed by the ASEAN Member States.

Both the above were earlier launched during the opening of the 8th ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML) which was held in Malaysia, 26-27 October 2015.

In order to inform you on the ILMS Database. The ILO is convening the Launch in Bangkok of the International Labour Migration Statistics (ILMS) Database in ASEAN.

This event will also feature a presentation by Professor Carlos Vargas Silva at the University of Oxford on labour migration data collection at a global level.

Agenda	
Time	Activity
9:45 - 10:00	Participants arrival and refreshments.
10:00 - 10:30	Welcome Statement Introduction to the ILMS Database
10:30 - 11:00	A presentation on labour migration data collection at a global level by Carlos Vargas Silva, Economist and senior researcher at COMPAS (University of Oxford)
11:00 - 11:30	Q&A Session

Dr. Carlos Vargas SILVA is an Economist and senior researcher at COMPAS (University of Oxford) and a member of the Migration Observatory team, primarily working on projects in the Labour Markets cluster. He is also a member of Kellogg College. His research interests include the economic impact of immigration on migrant receiving countries and the link between migration (including forced migration) and economic development in migrant sending countries. Carlos has been a consultant in migration related projects for several international and policy agencies including the Asian Development Bank, European Commission, the Inter-American Development Bank, World Bank, UK Home Office and the United Nations University. He is an Associate Editor of the journal Migration Studies.