

ACE Preparatory Meeting for **7th ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour**

Horizon Lakeview Resort, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar 19 Nov 2014, 2.30pm

ACE response to recommendations

- 5th AFML Siem Reap, Cambodia
 - e) Promote meaningful involvement of multistakeholders

ACE should be directly involved in regional labour policy formulation at the ASEAN level, and at national level through EOs

ACE Action Plan

- Objective 1: To strengthen the capacity of ACE and its members to engage in effective policy dialogue based on empirical evidence to promote sound governance for labour mobility in the ASEAN region.
 - (ACE is more effective at engaging in ASEAN policy dialogue on labour mobility)
 - Information sharing

ACE Action Plan

- Objective 2: To strengthen the capacity of ACE to convene members around labour mobility related issues in order to raise awareness and share good practices.
 - (ACE motivates its members to become more involved in preparing and planning for enhanced labour mobility)
- E.g. MEF Surveys on recruitment / management practices

ACE Action Plan

- Objective 3: To develop regional guidelines and other tools and products that can be customized at the national level by EOs into demand driven products that can practically assist enterprises
 - (Development of guidelines and practical tools for EOs and the ASEAN business community)

ACE Identified 5 Key Technical Areas

2013-2014

- 1. Skills Matching and Labour Mobility;
- Productivity and Occupational Safety and Health;
- 3. The regulatory environment for recruiting and placing migrant workers;

2015

- 1. Managing Diversity and Anti-Discrimination;
- 2. Forced Labour and Human Trafficking

Specific responses to 5th & 6th AFML recommendations

- Strengthening collaboration between ASEAN-EO
 - EO inputs into development and expansion of MRA / MRS (E to gauge supply and demand)
 - Certification & recognition of skills
 - Regional Model Competency Standard of ILO
 - Observer status for ACE @ SLOM
 - Side meetings pre/post-SLOM

Specific recommendations for 7th AFML

- Effective monitoring and enforcement on regulation of licensed recruitment agents
- ASEAN labour exchange virtual platform
 - Enhance mobility of intra-ASEAN migrant workers
 - E.g. EURES: European Employment Services
 - Skills certification / recognition
 - Portability of social protection for migrants
- Effective repatriation / deportation processes
 - Good practices e.g. Japan, EU