

Programme of ILO/MOL Training Workshop on Labour Migration Policy and Management in Thailand
Rimsuan Room, Amari Orchid Resort & Tower, Pattaya, 23 - 27 February 2009

Time	Monday, 23 Feb.	Tuesday, 24 Feb.	Wednesday, 25 Feb.	Thursday, 26 Feb.	Friday, 27 Feb.
Hours					
08:45–10:30	0830 – 0900 hrs - Registration 0900 – 0930 hrs - Opening Ceremony Khun Songsak Tantayotin, Inspector General, MOL Mr. Bill Salter, Director, SRO Bangkok 0930 – 1030 hrs – Introduction Self- introduction by participants, listing expectations, course objectives and methodology (Khun Pracha - ILO)	Field Visit Situation update and sharing experiences on labour migration management by local DOE, DLPW, Immigration and Employers' Representatives and Observe the registration renewal process and procedures at Chonburi Provincial Labour Office (Organized by MOL)	Admission and Arrival Programme (Hong Kong Experience) Determination of Admission Quota, Levy, Work Permit, Employment Duration, Working Conditions, Rights and Protection, Integration Procedure (Ms Lina Cheung – DOL, Hong Kong)	National Legal Framework Issues relating to implementation of and gaps in national legal framework (Foreign Workers Employment Act, Immigration Act, and Labour Protection Act) <i>Panel by Khun Komsan (DOE), Khun Chamaiporn (DLPW), (Immigration), Khun Surapong (Lawyers Council of Thailand)</i> Law enforcement & coordination mechanism, gaps in legislations	Recruitment Practice and Trafficking in Human Perspective of labour sending countries in GMS to promote orderly migration and combat trafficking (Khun Thetis Mangahas - ILO)
10:15–10:30	Coffee/tea break		Coffee/tea break	Coffee/tea break	Coffee/tea break
10:30–12:00	Migration Governance: Regularization and Admission Programmes Evolution of Labour Migration in Thailand: Overview of labour migration situation, policies development, and migrant workers' administration in Thailand from 2003 (Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kritaya - IPSR)	Field Visit	Admission and Arrival programme (Continued)	Foreign Workers Admission Programme Admission programmes and experiences in some developed countries (EU, Korea, Middle East) Experience of EU and USA (Dr. Philip Martin)	Conclusion and Reflection by Participants (To lead by 4 panelists) on three most important learning and three most important issues to follow up Presentation of Attendant Certificate Evaluation
12:00–13:45	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
13:45–15:15	Migration Governance: Regularization and Admission Programmes Evolution of Labour Migration in Thailand: Assessment of progress, success and bottleneck of regularization and admission programmes <i>Panel by Khun Nara, Khun Sawit (SERC), Khun Siriwan (ECOT), Khun Manolo Abella (ILO)</i>	Protection of Migrant Workers Rights of migrant workers, Labour Inspection, migrant social network, and working with NGOs <i>Panel by Khun Boonchok (DOE), Khun Boonlue (DLPW), Khun Adisorn (IRC)</i> <i>Testimonial by two Migrant workers</i>	Assessment of Labour Market and Worker Quota System of work permit, causes and extent of labour shortages and labour mismatch and quota determination <i>Panel by Khun Somphop – food processing, Khun Apichit – fishing, Khun Suchart (DOE), Dr. Yongyuth, (TDRI), Khun Manolo Abella (ILO)</i>	Comparative Practices in Regularization of Undocumented Migrants Experience of EU and USA (Dr. Philip Martin)	Departure to Bangkok
15:15–15:30	Coffee/tea break	Coffee/tea break	Coffee/tea break	Coffee/tea break	
15:30–17:30	Economic Crisis & Labour Migration The Current Economic Crisis and Labour Migration in Asia: Prospects for Future Flows and Policy Responses (Khun Geoffrey Ducanes - ILO)	Group Work Gaps in protection, mechanism for complaint, roles of TUs, and migrant worker advocates (three groups) 1) Agriculture + Fishing; 2) Manufacturing + Construction; 3) Services	Assessment of Labour Market and Worker Quota (continued) Nature of labour demand & shortages; How to cope with shortages; How quota determined; Gaps in work quota & actual admission; Suggested migrant admission procedures	Group Work Admission system for low and skilled migrant workers What to do with incessant flows of irregular migrants; How effective regularization & national verification; How effective admission system under MOUs (Constraints and Solutions) Burma + Lao & Cambodia	

