



## 9<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML) National Tripartite Preparatory Meeting

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## Presentation outline

1. The ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)
2. The 9<sup>th</sup> AFML 2015 - Themes
3. Review of Progress of implementing the AFML Recommendations
4. AFML National Tripartite Preparatory Meetings

## 1. The ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)

- **Open platform** for review, discussion and exchange of good practices on labour migration issues in ASEAN
- **Tripartite** plus CSOs
- **Annual meetings** since 2008
- **Pre- and Post-AFML meetings** by AMS and social partners
- **Recommendations** agreed on and implemented by all stakeholders



# 1. The ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)



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## Past AFML Meetings

<b>AFML</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>
<i>First</i>	Manila, Philippines	24 – 25 April 2008
<i>Second</i>	Bangkok, Thailand	30 – 31 July 2009
<i>Third</i>	Ha Noi, Vietnam	19 – 20 July 2010
<i>Fourth</i>	Bali, Indonesia	24 – 25 October 2011
<i>Fifth</i>	Siem Reap, Cambodia	9 – 10 October 2012
<i>Sixth</i>	Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam	26 – 27 November 2013
<i>Seventh</i>	Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar	20 – 21 November 2014
<i>Eighth</i>	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	26-27 October 2015



## 2. The 9<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)

- Hosted by the Government of Lao, PDR (as ASEAN Chair)
- 9-10 November 2016
- Vientiane, Lao PDR
- Theme: ***“Better Quality of Life for ASEAN Migrant Workers through Strengthened Social Protection”***
- Sub-themes:
  - a) Current state of social protection for migrant workers in ASEAN
  - b) Working towards the portability of social security of migrant workers in ASEAN



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### *“Better Quality of Life for ASEAN Migrant Workers through Strengthened Social Protection”*

**Senior Labour Officials Meeting (SLOM) Work Plan (2016-2020)** includes Strengthened social protection systems through:

- Raised awareness on social protection
- Expanded coverage, affordability, availability, quality, equitability and sustainability of social protection

**ASEAN Committee on the Implementation of the Declarations on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant Workers (ACMW) Work Plan (2016-2020)** includes focus on social protection for migrant workers, through:

- Study on portability of social security for migrant workers across ASEAN Member States

**2013 ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection** and its **2015 Regional Framework and Action Plan**: equitable access, gradual extension, progressive realization

- Adoption of national policies to strengthen implementation
- Extension of coverage, including to informal sector
- Strengthening capacities
- Multi and intersectoral collaboration

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### ***“Better Quality of Life for ASEAN Migrant Workers through Strengthened Social Protection”***

#### **Key Challenges**

- Migrant workers are often employed in sectors not covered by social security or where compliance to social security is poorly enforced
- Little focus on social security for migrant workers in ASEAN
- Bilateral agreements and national legislations makes insufficient or no provision on social protection for migrant workers

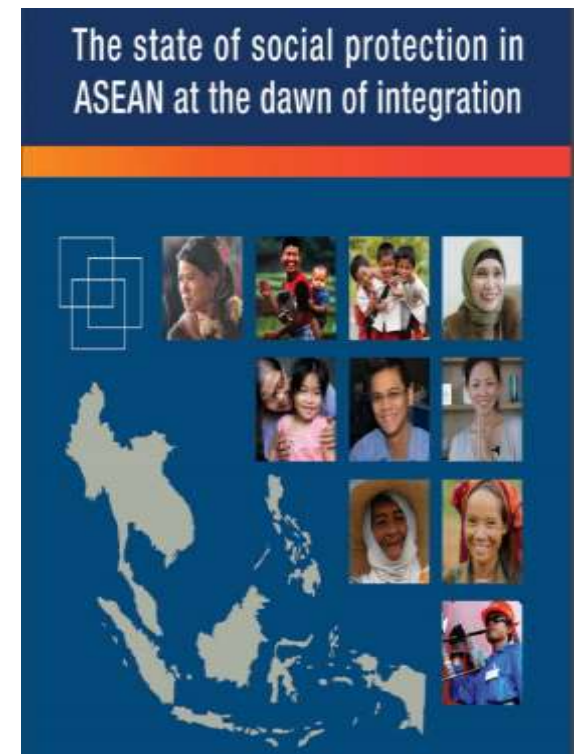
***“Everyone. . . at risk, (including) migrant workers and other vulnerable groups, are entitled to have equitable access to social protection that is a basic human right.”***

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### *“Better Quality of Life for ASEAN Migrant Workers through Strengthened Social Protection”*

#### ILO Response:

1. **Social Protection Report launched at the Regional Tripartite Meeting on Social Protection in Jakarta, 2015**
2. **Study on social protection for migrant workers (on-going)**
  - **Objective:** To equip AMS with updated information on the legislation related to the social protection of MW in the 10 ASEAN countries, and drafting technical recommendations based on this review.
3. **Four countries have specifically requested the ILO’s support in review of legislation:**
  - Viet Nam: draft decree on social security for migrant workers
  - Malaysia: migrant workers’ access to working injury (related to the CEACR observations on C19)
  - Indonesia: improving social security of migrant workers
  - Myanmar: social protection for migrant workers (to include research and learning from other experiences)





### 3. Progress of implementing the AFML Recommendation



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- In 2012, the ILO prepared the **first background paper** to the 5<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour.
  - A full copy of the ILO Background paper is available at: [www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---asia/---ro-bangkok/documents/publication/wcms\\_219040.pdf](http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---asia/---ro-bangkok/documents/publication/wcms_219040.pdf)
- In 2014, the ILO prepared a **second background paper** to review progress towards implementing recommendations from the 3-6<sup>th</sup> AFML ahead of the 7<sup>th</sup> AFML in 2014.
  - Available at [www.ilo.org/asean-triangle](http://www.ilo.org/asean-triangle)
- In 2016, the ILO will prepare the **third background paper** to be presented and discussed in the 9<sup>th</sup> AFML in Vientiane, Lao PDR



## 3. Progress of implementing the AFML Recommendation: 3<sup>rd</sup> Review

### Part 1:

- New accomplishments in AFML Recommendations
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>

### Part 2:

- Accomplishments for the past two years on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> AFML Recommendations

### Part 3:

- Good practices
- Gaps



## 4: 9<sup>th</sup> AFML National Tripartite Preparatory Meetings Schedule

Country	Location	Proposed Date (2016)
Philippines	Manila, Philippines	September 2
Cambodia	Siem Reap, Cambodia	September 6
Viet Nam	Hanoi, Viet Nam	September 9
Lao , PDR	Vientiane, Lao PDR	September 14
Thailand	Bangkok, Thailand	September 21
Indonesia	Jakarta, Indonesia	September 29
Myanmar	Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar	October 20

For CSOs	Singapore, Malaysia	September or October
For CSOs	Vientiane, Lao PDR	November 8 and 10, 2016 (pre and post meetings)
Workers	Vientiane, Lao PDR	November 8 and 10, 2016 (pre and post meetings)
Employers	Vientiane, Lao PDR	November 8 and 10, 2016 (pre and post meetings)

## 4. AFML National Tripartite Preparatory Meeting

### OBJECTIVES

1. Take stock on contributions made in implementing 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> AFML Recommendations and past Recommendations
2. Discuss upcoming AFML themes and sub-themes
3. Identify policy positions and recommendations for the 9<sup>th</sup> AFML Meeting.





**Thank you**

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