

News Round-up

ILO high-level mission to the Philippines on Freedom of Association and the Protection of the Right to Organize

The ILO's High-Level Mission to the Philippines completed its mission to review matters relating to Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organize in the country. The information collected will be considered by the relevant ILO supervisory bodies at their meetings in November 2009 and March 2010 and their reports will be issued in the first quarter of 2010. [Click for more.](#)

Impact of the financial crisis on jobs and global production networks

The impact of the financial crisis on jobs and global production networks was discussed by experts from 14 Asia Pacific countries at a seminar in Bangkok, held on 13 October. [Click for more.](#)

Effects of the economic crisis on employment and social policy

The employment and social policy consequences of the global economic and financial crisis were the focus of the 22nd International Labour Symposium, organized by the ILO and Hosei University in Tokyo on 14 October, [Click for more.](#)



Business mentors to support young entrepreneurs

In Sri Lanka, 30 business mentors have been trained to support young entrepreneurs in starting businesses, through the ILO's Youth Employment Project.

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Sustaining competitive and responsible enterprises

A scheme to help small and medium enterprises in China become sustainable, cleaner, more productive and more competitive was launched in Dalian, Liaoning Province, China on 21 October. For more background on the project [please visit.](#)

Feature

Thailand should take a lead in managing migrant labour in ASEAN



The Government of Thailand needs to think boldly about its labour migration policies if it is to be ready for future demographic, economic and labour force trends, according to a new report prepared by ILO migration expert Pracha Vasuprasat.

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Look Ahead

APYouthNet e-discussion forum

The third e-discussion forum of the Asia Pacific Knowledge Network on Youth Employment (APYouthNet) will begin on 23 November and will focus on the rights and conditions of young workers. More details can be found at <http://ap-youthnet.ilobkk.or.th>. To receive the latest news about APYouthNet email: apyouthnet@ilo.org

Trade unions talk on poverty reduction and the informal economy

Representatives of trade unions from Asia and Africa will take part in an inter-regional workshop on Poverty Reduction Strategies and the Informal Economy in Bangkok, Thailand, 23-25 November. [Click for more.](#)

Trade union training on climate change, green jobs & decent work

A Trade Union Training on Climate Change Policies, Green Jobs & Decent Work will be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 30 November to 4 December. The session aims to enhance trade unions' understanding of climate change policies and the links to the promotion of decent work and ILO standards, [Click for more.](#)

Local employment recovery and skills development

A seminar on Routes out of the Crisis: Strategy for Local Employment Recovery and Skills Development in Asia will be held from 1 to 3 December in Malang (Java), Republic of Indonesia. [Click for more.](#)

Regional integration

A Seminar on Regional Integration, with the objective of supporting strengthened and effective sub-regional trade union organizations, will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from 15 to 17 December. The event is organized by the ILO Bureau for Workers' Activities (ACTRAV) and the ASEAN Trade Union Council (ATUC). [Click for more.](#)

Calendar

[National workshop on the Gaps and Challenges in the Realization of Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining in Thailand](#)

3 November, Bangkok, Thailand

[National Workshop on Presentation of Findings from Three Studies relating to Child Labour in Viet Nam](#)

3 November, Hanoi, Viet Nam

[ILO's Challenges in Asia](#)

ILO/Aoyama Gakuin University Lecture Series 2009

5 November, Tokyo, Japan

[Workshop on Decent Work, Labour Standards and the CEB Toolkit on Employment and Decent Work](#)

9-10 November, Bogor, West Java, Indonesia

[ILO's Technical Cooperation Activities Focused on Occupational Safety and Health](#)

ILO/Aoyama Gakuin University Lecture Series 2009

12 November, Tokyo, Japan

[Workshops on Self Help Groups](#)

16-27 November, Sihanouk Ville, Phnom Penh and Poipet, Cambodia

[ILO/ITC Training: Managing Migration for Decent Work](#)

23 November, Beijing, China

[Asian Regional Technical Consultation on Guidelines for the Preparation of National Child Labour Policies and Action Plans and on Mainstreaming Child Labour Concerns in Broader Policy Frameworks](#)

24 November, Bangkok, Thailand

[National Workshop on Good Practices on Women's Entrepreneurship Development](#)

25-26 November, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

[National Consultation on Decent Work for Domestic Workers](#)

27 November, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

[Trade Union Training on Climate Change Policies, Green Jobs & Decent Work](#)

30 November–4 December, Bangkok, Thailand

[Training of Trainers Workshop on Gender and Entrepreneurship Together for Women in Enterprise](#)

30 November-4 December, Battambang, Cambodia

[ACTRAV-ATUC Seminar on Regional Integration](#)

15-17 December, Bangkok, Thailand

Bookshelf

Going back, moving on, A synthesis report of the trends and experiences of returned trafficking victims in Thailand and the Philippines

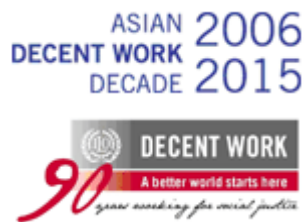
Bangkok: ILO, 2009, 103 pp.

The report examines some of the issues, obstacles and opportunities related to the return and integration of women migrants from Thailand and the Philippines who were victims of trafficking, forced labour and exploitative work. [Click for more.](#)

Rapid Assessment of the Impact of the Global Economic Crisis on Employment and Industrial Relations in Sri Lanka

Colombo: ILO, August 2009, 57 pp.

This report assesses the impact of the global economic downturn on employment in Sri Lanka, focusing on employment and industrial relations. It evaluates measures taken thus far and by highlights areas that need more attention. [Click for more.](#)



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