



The 3<sup>rd</sup> MMC Regional Conference

## Transnational Migration and Border Studies: Assessing Threats and Opportunities

Co-organized by Mahidol Migration Center, Institute for Population and Social Research (IPSR),

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At IPSR - Mahidol University, Nakhon Pathom, Thailand

## AGENDA

*MC: Ms. Nucharapon Liangruenrom*

### Day 1: Monday 4<sup>th</sup>, August

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

#### 09:00 – 09:10 Welcoming Remarks

- Dr. Sureeporn Punpuing, IPSR Director

#### 09:10 – 09:20 Introduction to the MMC and the Conference

- Prof. Aphichat Chamratrithirong, MMC Director

#### 09:20–09:50 Keynote speech “Transnational and Border Migration: Assessing Threats and Opportunities”

- Dr. Chanvit Tharathep, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Health

09:50-10:00 Refreshment

10:00-11:15

### Panel Discussion: Healthcare Services for Migrant Workers in Thailand

*Chair of the session: Dr. Malee Sunpuwan*

#### Panellists: (15 minutes each)

- **Dr. Pornpeth Punjapiyakul**, Deputy Director, Bureau of Health Administration, MOPH  
Health Policy for Migrants and the Access to Health Care
- **Ms. Aree Muangsookcharoen**, Border and Migrant Health, WHO  
Migration and Health Service System in Thailand: Situation, Responses and Challenges in context of AEC in 2015
- **Ms. Pakamon Silanupap**, Labour Specialist, Thai Social Security Office  
Migrant workers and health in Social Security System
- **Mr. Sitthichai Wareechananon**, Labour Specialist, Office of Foreign Workers Administration  
Department of Employment, Ministry of Labour  
Situation of migrant workers in Thailand
- **Mr. Adisorn Kerdmongkol**, IRC  
Migrant workers and access to health care services: Problems and Challenges

*(This session is organized in Thai language with simultaneous English translation)*

11:15-11:45 Floor discussion

11:45-12:00 Group Photo Taking

12:00-13:00 Lunch

## Studies 1: Transborder Migrants: The Case Studies

*Chair of the session: Dr. Suchada Thaweesit*

13:00-13:40	<b>Management of Health Insurance System and Health Service Provision for Migrant Workers in Thailand</b> • Dr. Malee Sunpuwan, MMC-IPSR : Case study in Samut Prakarn • Dr. Chalermpol Chamchan, MMC-IPSR : Case study in Chiang Mai
13:40-14:10	<b>Floor discussion</b>
14:10-14:30	<b>Temporary Migration between Thailand and Europe</b> • Dr. Manasigan Kanchanachitra, MMC-IPSR
14:30-14:50	<b>Floor discussion</b>
15:00-15:15	<i>Refreshment</i>

## Studies 2: Destination Thailand: Migrant Issues

*Chair of the session: Dr. Thanate Kitisriworaphan*

15:15-15:30	<b>Acculturative Stress, Social Support, and Health Access of Migrants in Thailand</b> • Dr. Charamporn Holumyong, MMC-IPSR
15:30-15:45	<b>Margins, Boundaries, and Constrained Mobilities within Thai Migration</b> • Dr. Gregory Gullette, Santa Clara University, USA
15:45-16:00	<b>Refugees and Asylum Seekers in Urban Areas of Thailand</b> • Mr. Veerawit Tianchainan, Thai Committee for Refugees Foundation
16:00-16:15	<b>Women, Migration and the Unrest in the Three Southernmost Provinces in Thailand</b> • Dr. Aree Jampaklay, MMC-IPSR
16:15-16:35	<b>Floor discussion</b>
18:00-20:00	Dinner at the Music Square Restaurant ( <i>tram departs IPSR at 17:30 for campus tour and dinner</i> )

## Day 2: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>, August

## Studies 3: Transmigration in Southeast and East Asia

*Chair of the session: Dr. Bhubate Samutachak*

09:00-09:15	<b>Labour Migration from Vietnam to the Republic of Korea: Policy Challenges and Responses</b> • Dr. Dang Nguyen Anh, Institute of Sociology, Vietnam
09:15-09:30	<b>Controlling the Invisible Flow: Evidence from Thailand</b> • Dr. Mary Rose G. Sarausad, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand
09:30-09:45	<b>The Working Experiences of Cambodian Irregular Migrant Workers in Thailand, Based on the Poipet 2009, 2010 and 2012 Sentinel Surveillance Surveys</b> • Dr. Simon Baker, MMC-IPSR
09:45-10:00	<b>Role of Local Governments in Creating Multicultural Society: Comparative Study of Yokohama and Samut Sakorn</b> • Dr. Kyoko Kusakabe, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand
10:00-10:20	<b>Floor discussion</b>
10:20-10:35	<i>Refreshment</i>

## Studies 4: Migration Policy Issues in ASEAN

*Chair of the session: Dr. Theerathorn Yoongthong*

10:35-10:50	<b>Emerging Patterns of Indonesia's International Migration</b> • Dr. Aris Ananta, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore
10:50-11:05	<b>Human Trafficking and Transnational Crimes in Southeast Asia</b> • Dr. Sakkarin Niyomsilpa, MMC-IPSR
11:05-11:20	<b>Migration, Diversity and Citizenship Politics in Singapore: Tensions &amp; Challenges</b> • Dr. Elaine Ho Lynn-Ee, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore
11:20-11:35	<b>Transnational Hmong Community and Christian Propagation in Mainland Southeast Asia</b> • Dr. Prasit Leepreecha, Faculty of Social Sciences, Chiang Mai University, Thailand
11:35-12:00	<b>Floor discussion</b>
12:00-13:00	<i>Lunch</i>

## Studies 5: Migration, Women and Children

*Chair of the session: Dr. Sudarat Musikawong*

13:00-13:15	<b>Border Studies of Thai Yunnan's Chinese-Muslim Identities in Northern Thailand</b> • Dr. Suchart Setthamalinee, Department of Peace Studies, Payap University, Thailand
13:15-13:30	<b>Trends in the Percentage of Children Affected by Parent's Migration in Thailand</b> • Dr. Kerry Richter, MMC-IPSR
13:30-13:45	<b>Female Migrant Workers in ASEAN</b> • Dr. Amara Soonthorndhada, MMC-IPSR
13:45-14:00	<b>Family reunification and selected transnational ties of 1.5-generation Filipinos in France</b> • Dr. Asuncion Fresnoza-Flot, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium
14:00-14:20	<b>Floor discussion</b>
14:20-14:30	<i>Refreshment</i>
15:00-17:00	<i>Visit Museum Siam or Wax Museum (optional)</i>
18:00	<i>Depart Salaya for Networking Dinner at the Riverside Cruise Restaurant</i>

## Day 3: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, August

### Studies 6: Transnational Migration in Asia and Europe

*Chair of the session: Dr. Manasigan Kanchanachitra*

09:00- 09:15	<b>Implications of Using Informal Route through India for Labor Migration of Nepalese Women to Gulf Countries</b> • Mr. Anand Tamang, Center for Research on Environment Health and Population Activities, Nepal
09:15-09:30	<b>The European Union and Global Migration Governance</b> • Professor Paul Statham, Sussex Centre for Migration Research, UK
09:30-09:45	<b>A Practitioner's Perspective: Experiencing Debt Bondage, Thai Overseas Agricultural Workers in the United States</b> • Dr. Sudarat Musikawong, Siena College, USA
09:45-10:00	<b>Seasonal Migration of Thai-workers to the Finnish Wild Berry Industry: Informality, Risks and Regulations</b> • Mr. Pekka J. Rantanen, University of Tampere, Finland
10:00-10:20	<b>Floor discussion</b>
10:20-10:35	<i>Refreshment</i>

### Panel Discussion

#### Transnational and Border Migration: Research and Policy Challenge

*Chair of the session: Dr. Kyoko Kusakabe*

10:35-11:55	<b>Policy Panellist:</b> (15 minutes each) • <b>Mr. Promboon Panitchpakdi</b> , Raks Thai Foundation, Thailand • <b>Dr. Aris Ananta</b> , Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore • <b>Dr. Decha Tangseefa</b> , Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University, Thailand • <b>Prof. Paul Statham</b> , Sussex Centre for Migration Research, UK
11:55-12:15	<b>Floor discussion</b>
12:15-12:40	Synopsis of the Conference • <b>Dr. Latifa Laghzaoui</b> • <b>Dr. Kerry Richter</b>
12:40-12:50	Concluding and closing • <b>Prof. Aphichat Chamratrithirong</b> , MMC Director
12:50	<i>Lunch</i>

*Rapporteurs: Dr. Latifa Laghzaoui  
Dr. Kerry Richter  
Ms. Reena Tadee*