

**ILO/Japan Asian Pacific Regional Seminar on
the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work
and Its Follow-Up**

Special Theme: “Elimination of discrimination in employment and occupation”

Bangkok, 19-20 May 2004

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08. 15-08.45 ***Employers Group*** (Sukhothai Suite, 8th floor) ***and Workers Group meetings***
(Ayudhaya Suite, 8th Floor)

08. 30-09. 00 ***Registration***

09.00-09.45 ***Opening session***
Remarks by

- Mr. Shinichi Hasegawa, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Health, Labour And Welfare, Government of Japan
- Ms. Lin Lean Lim, Deputy Director, ILO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific
- Mr. Peera Manatas, Vice Minister of Labour, Royal Thai Government

09.45-10.00 *coffee/tea*

10.00-11.00 ***Press Conference*** (simultaneously) ***Break out by Groups***
Governments: Bangkok Noi, 6th Floor (Coen Kompier)
Employers: Sukhothai Suite, 8th Floor (Anne Knowles)
Workers: Ayudhaya Suite, 8th Floor (Michael Sebastian)

11.00-12.30 **Session 1:**

Recent Developments:

- (1) ***The 2004 “Introduction” by the Independent Declaration Expert-Advisers on the Annual Reports submitted by Governments under the ILO Declaration Follow-Up Mechanism***
- (2) ***The forthcoming Global Report on Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining***
- (3) ***“A Fair Globalization” (the Report of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization)***

Presentation by Mr. K. Tapiola, Executive Director, ILO/Geneva

Plenary discussion

12.30-14. 00 *Lunch*

14.00-15.00 **Session 2: *Establishment of a “Labour Law Network” to promote the ILO Declaration and international labour standards in the context of national tripartite decent work action plans.***

Presentation by Prof. Shinichi AGO (Professor of International Economic Law, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan)

Comments by tripartite panel (session moderated by Mr. Tim De Meyer, Senior Specialist on International Labour Standards and Labour Law, ILO Subregional Office for East Asia (SRO-Bangkok))

15.00-15.30 *Coffee/Tea*

15.30-17.30 **Session 3: *Break out in national tripartite groups***

National tripartite groups produce a brief write-up on the effect given to the conclusions of the Asian Regional Meeting, Bangkok, 2001, particularly as regards the realization of fundamental principles and rights at work and their reflection into National Decent Work Action Plans

16:30-17:30 Plenary: selected groups present their summary (moderated by Ms. Manuela Tomei, Senior Global Reports Specialist, DECLARATION, ILO Geneva)

19.00-21.00 Reception hosted by Ms. Lin Lean Lim, Deputy Director, ILO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

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- 08.30-09.00 ***‘Break Out’ Employers Group*** (Sukhothai Suite, 8th Floor) ***and Workers Group*** (Ayudhaya Suite, 8th Floor)
- 09.00-10.45 ***Session 4: Discrimination at Work: Managing Disability and the Workplace***
- 09.00-09.30 Introduction by Ms. I.A. Fernando, Employers’ Federation of Ceylon, Sri Lanka
- 09.30-10.0 Remarks by Ms. Debra Perry, Senior Specialist on Vocational Rehabilitation, SRO/Bangkok
- Comments by a tripartite panel, moderated by Mr. Coen Kompier, Senior Specialist on International Labour Standards and Labour Law, SRO/New Delhi
- 10.00-10.45 Plenary discussion
- 10.45-11.15 *Coffee/Tea*
- 11.15-13.00 ***Session 5: Discrimination at Work: Equal Pay for Women and Men for Work of Equal Value***
- 11.15-11.45 Introduction by Ms. A. Enriquez Geron, Public Services International
- 11.45-12.15 Comments by a tripartite panel, moderated by Mr. Temesgen Samuel, Senior Specialist on International Labour Standards and Labour Law, SRO Manila
12. 15-13. 00 Plenary discussion
- 13.00-14.30 *Lunch*
- 14.30-16.15 *Session 6: Discrimination at Work: “Towards a fair deal for migrant workers in the global economy” – Office report for the General Discussion on Migrant Workers based on an Integrated Approach, 92nd Session, International Labour Conference, 1-17 June 2004.***

- 14.30-15.00 Introduction by Mr. Piyasiri Wickrainasekara, **Senior** Labour Migration Specialist, International Migration Programme, ILO Geneva
- 15.00-15.30 Comments by a tripartite panel, moderated by Mr. Tim de Meyer, Senior Specialist on International Labour Standards and Labour Law, SRO Bangkok
- 15.30-16.15 Plenary discussion
- 16.15-16.30 *Coffee/Tea*
- 16.30-17.00** *Closing session*
- 16.30-16.45 Summing up and feedback to the discussion in Sessions 3-5, by Ms. Manuela Tomei, Senior Global Reports Specialist, DECLARATION, ILO Geneva
- 16.45-17.00 Closing remarks by representatives of Governments, Employers, Workers and ILO
