

# 5th ASIA PRO BONO CONFERENCE

## "The Impact of Pro Bono on Transformational Change: Working to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals"

31st August to 1st September 2016  
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Conference Streams:

- 1) **Pro Bono Building Blocks:** This stream includes sessions that create the foundations for pro bono initiatives, including the basic understanding and concept of what is pro bono. Sessions in this stream will share best practices and lessons learnt on how to do pro bono across the Asia region, how to make initiatives sustainable and how to ensure that they are effective for the target community.
- 2) **Pro Bono-Walking the Walk:** This stream shares the experiences and knowledge of those who work hands on with marginalized populations providing direct pro bono services. These pro bono champions share with us their first hand experiences so that we can learn, be inspired, walk with them on their journey and apply their lessons and experience to other Pro Bono initiatives.
- 3) **Strengthening a Pro Bono Culture:** This stream includes sessions that discuss the motivations and reasons behind why, when, where, how we do pro bono, how we can gain further support and develop the pro bono Movement nationally, throughout Asia, and Globally.

DAY 1 (WEDNESDAY 31ST AUGUST) Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel	
Time	Conference programme outline*
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30am- 9:00am	Welcome address
9:00 am – 10:00am	<b>Plenary 1: An Introduction to the Impact of Pro Bono on Transformational Change and Ways that Pro Bono Can Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals</b>
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Key Note Speaker
10:30 am –	Morning refreshments

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11:00 am	
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	<p><b>Session A1: Pro Bono and Migration</b>  <i>This session will introduce participants to the wide range of legal needs that migrant persons have, across migration routes that span various home and host countries and ways pro bono can support these needs. Participants will have a chance to discuss what they know, learn about the latest issues in multiple jurisdictions, and consider next steps for either getting involved or advancing their own work in migration.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session A2: Why We Do Pro Bono</b>  <i>This session will discuss the importance of pro bono throughout the region and why persons in the legal profession dedicate their time and skills in providing pro bono services to their communities.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session A3: Pro Bono, Drug Users and Access to Justice in Asia</b>  <i>People who use drugs in Asia are at greater risk of deleterious interactions with police than non drug using community members and are consequently disproportionately overrepresented in the criminal justice system. This leads them to face the significant likelihood of spending periods of time in prison or compulsory detention. The majority of these people face only minor or misdemeanor charges associated with their drug use and in many cases would be released from the criminal justice system if they had access to legal representation. This panel symposium will bring together legal service providers from across Asia who are seeking to grow the potential of pro-bono (including clinic and legal aid services) to support access to justice for people who use drugs (PWUD). Supporting the unmet legal needs (criminal, civil and administrative) of people who use drugs in Asia will not only result in decreasing numbers of people unnecessarily caught up in the criminal justice system but will also ensure that the negatives individual and public health implications of detention are averted. The session will also act as an initial step in a multi-faceted process to develop and strengthen a regional pro bono network alliance which provides support for PWUD. A follow up strategic network building meeting will be held on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, in Bali, following the 5APBC. Those attending the session and interested in attending and participating at this meeting will be invited to do so.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session A4: The Links Between Pro Bono, Access to Justice and Socio Economic Development</b>  <i>Increasing access to justice can directly impact the socio economic environment and during this session successful case studies of where access</i></p>

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	<p><i>to justice helped to increase the socio economic environment for a community will be shared.</i></p> <p><b>Session A5: Increasing Access to Justice: Synergies and Differences Between Legal Aid and Pro Bono</b>  <i>This session will discuss the differences between voluntary pro bono and paid legal aid service providers and look at circumstances where they overlap and evaluate how both can be used as tools to increasing access to justice.</i></p> <p><b>Session A6: Pro Bono and Social Justice Lawyering in Practice-Asia Pro Bono Case Studies</b>  <i>Community organisations bring a critical skill s and a range of relationships to legal practice, including more direct access to community leaders and grassroots knowledge. However, some community and public interest organisations may lack the capacity or expertise to take on particular cases or projects. Pro bono lawyers can help by increasing capacity and bringing different expertise to the table. However, pro bono service providers seeking justice for marginalised and disadvantaged groups cannot succeed by working alone. Social justice is enhanced greatly when strong and dynamic pro bono relationships are formed. This session highlights how integrating community organisations and pro bono service provider can translate into effective social justice lawyering. Through a range of case studies from the Asia context, this session will demonstrate the benefits, and challenges, of combining the two.</i></p>
12.30 pm – 1:45 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm	<p><b>Session B1: Pro Bono and Public Health</b>  <i>This session draws on a variety of regional and international experiences to highlight the multi-faceted ways that access to pro bono services can support enhanced individual and public health outcomes, particularly among vulnerable and marginalised populations including people who use drugs, persons with HIV/AIDS, prisoners, sex workers and migrant populations.</i></p> <p><b>Session B2: Pro Bono and People with Disabilities</b>  <i>This session will focus on regional legal and other barriers faced by people with disabilities and ways that pro bono initiatives can help more modernize thought, legal norms, etc. to provide A2J access for these persons.</i></p>

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	<p><b>Session B3: The Role of Bar Associations in Promoting Ethical Pro Bono Practices</b>  <i>This session will explore many of the ways and means bar associations, and the collaborative synergies between international organizations and local/national bar associations, can and should support and encourage the development of ethical pro bono practices.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session B4: Balancing Pro Bono and Paid Clients-Small Firm Experiences</b>  <i>This session will include speakers from small firms in the region and how they go about their pro bono practice and how they manage their pro bono work and paid clients.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session B5: Developing and Sustaining Pro Bono Partnerships</b>  <i>When establishing pro bono partnerships it is important from the outset to discuss the development and sustainability of the partnership. This session will explore best practices and lesson learned with regards to how develop sustainable pro bono partnerships.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session B6: Pro Bono, Community Paralegals and their Links to Transformational Change</b>  <i>Many countries in the region have 'community paralegals' who provide many of the services that lawyers might provide in other countries. This session will highlight the role of the community paralegal, discuss the ways that pro bono can support this role and how community paralegals are linked to transformational change.</i></p>
	<p><b>Session B7: Pro Bono, Asylum and Refugees</b></p>
3:15 pm – 3:45 pm	<p><b>Afternoon refreshments</b></p>
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm	<p><b>Plenary 2: Supporting the Asia Pro Bono Movement</b>  <i>For more than a half decade the Asia Pro Bono Conference has been helping to bring people together from all over the Asia region and globally to support, strengthen and expand the Asia pro bono movement into the future as a means to achieve transformational change and assist in achieving the sustainable development goals. In the session best practices and lessons learnt about this journey will be shared and discussion of the next steps for the future of the Asia pro bono movement, and practical ways and means for the Conference participants to be involved in helping to further guide this movement collaboratively will be explored.</i></p>

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4:45 pm- 5:30 pm	<b>Wrap-Up/Debrief/Logistic Announcements</b>
7:30 pm- 10:00 pm	<b>Conference dinner</b> The Sands Restaurant, Sanur Beach, Bali

**DAY 2 (THURSDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER) Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel**

Time	Conference programme outline*
8:30 am – 9:00 am	<b>Registration</b>
9:00 am – 9:30 am	<b>Welcome address</b>
9:30am- 11:00am	<p><b>Workshop 1: Pro Bono &amp; Legal Education</b>  <b>Session I: Understanding Pro Bono in Legal Education: Values &amp; Benefits</b>  <i>To what extent should legal education train students in social justice as opposed to the law, and how can this training support transformative change that sustains students when they become professionals? This full day of workshops and seminars, which features students as well as teachers, will offer collective wisdom to address these questions and concrete, practical suggestions to improve legal education and teaching methodology.</i></p>
	<p><b>Workshop 2: “So What Difference Does our Pro Bono Programme Make? Pro Bono as Means to Help Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)”</b></p> <p><b>Planning, Monitoring and Evaluating Pro Bono Initiatives in-line with Working to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</b>  <b>Participatory Workshop (full day delivered over 4 sessions)</b>  <b>Professor Chris Walsh (James Cook University &amp; BABSEACLE)</b></p>



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	<p><i>This full-day interactive and collaborative workshop provides an introduction to planning, monitoring and evaluating for development results. In our climate of high public accountability—where we must strive to meet the UN’s 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—M&amp;E can no longer be viewed in terms of an organization’s internal performance in regards to measuring progress in completing activities to measure impact and outcome indicators. In this workshop, participants will learn about ‘managing for development results’ or MfDR, which is planning robust M&amp;E to demonstrate real and meaningful results in the quality of people’s lives. This is markedly different from M&amp;E that measures internal results and the performance of an organization. The 4-session collaborative workshop will explore putting planning, monitoring and evaluation together in a Results-Based management (RBM) approach, as well as designing a framework to carry out M&amp;E systematically and successfully.</i></p>
	<p><b>Workshop 3: Ethical Practice of Client Centered Legal Aid Lawyer</b>  <i>This workshop will explore the concept of client-centered legal aid lawyering as a means of ensuring access to justice and furthering the objectives of creating transformational change. With reference to a range of holistic teachings and core legal skills and values the workshop will focus on how lawyers can achieve the objective of acting in a client’s best interests while ensuring a client’s ethical well-being</i></p>
	<p><b>Workshop 4: Migrant Workers and Pro Bono Assistance</b>  <i>This workshop will expose participants to the wide range of legal needs that migrant persons have, across migration routes that span various home and host countries and ways pro bono can support these needs. Participants will have a chance to discuss what they know, learn about the latest issues in multiple jurisdictions, and consider next steps for either getting involved or advancing their own work in migration.</i></p>
	<p><b>Workshop 5: Indonesian Lawyers Working with Marginalised Populations and Best ways to Provide Pro Bono Services</b>  <i>This workshop will share best practises for Indonesian lawyers to provide pro bono services to marginalised communities.</i></p>
<p>11:00 am – 11:30 am</p>	<p><b>Morning refreshments</b></p>
<p>11:30 am –</p>	<p><b>Workshop 1: Pro Bono &amp; Legal Education</b>  <b>Session II: Structuring the Relationship in Optimal Ways: Methods of incorporating Pro Bono in to Legal Education</b></p>

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12:30 pm	<p><b>Workshop 2: Planning, Monitoring and Evaluating Pro Bono Initiatives in-line with Working to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (Con't)</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 3: Ethical Practice of Client Centered Legal Aid Lawyer (Con't)</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 4: Case Management Best Practices (Con't)</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 5: Indonesian Lawyers Working with Marginalised Populations and Best ways to Provide Pro Bono Services (Con't)</b></p>
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	<p><b>Workshop 1: Pro Bono &amp; Legal Education</b> <b>Session III: Identifying Issues &amp; Overcoming Challenges, Part 1</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 2: Planning, Monitoring and Evaluating Pro Bono Initiatives in-line with Working to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (Con't)</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 3: Ethical Practice of Client Centered Legal Aid Lawyer (Con't)</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 5: Indonesian Lawyers Working with Marginalised Populations and Best ways to Provide Pro Bono Services (Con't)</b></p> <p><b>Workshop 6: Case Management Best Practices</b> <i>The two-part workshop on Case Management Best Practices will draw upon the diverse experiences of Conference participants to offer an informative session on why case management is essential to access to justice and how it can be improved through pro bono activities. Workshop facilitators will foster discussion on the purposes of case management and what kinds of tools must be used to reach those goals. Case management tools used in different legal settings will be provided as examples to stimulate discussion on how case management is different in the contexts of legal aid, corporate law firms, university in-house consultation clinics, public interest law firms and other settings. Discussion will also focus on how these different sectors can work together to strengthen case management for the improvement of access to justice.</i></p>
3:00 pm –	<p><b>Afternoon refreshments</b></p>

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3:30 pm	
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	<b>Workshop 1: Pro Bono &amp; Legal Education Session IV: Identifying Issues &amp; Overcoming Challenges, Part 2</b>
	<b>Workshop 2: Monitoring and Evaluation Pro Bono and Sustainable (Con't)</b>
	<b>Workshop 3: Ethical Practice of Client Centered Legal Aid Lawyer (Con't)</b>
	<b>Workshop 5: Indonesian Lawyers Working with Marginalised Populations and Best ways to Provide Pro Bono Services (Con't)</b>
	<b>Workshop 6: Migrant Workers and Pro Bono Assistance (Con't)</b>
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Conference closing</b>

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