



*Pro Bono and Ethics Build a Noble Legal Profession*  
 2-6 September 2015  
 Draft programme

Pre-Conference (Wednesday, 2 September 2015) - **Ball Room at the Hotel Mandalay**

Conference Programme Outline

*\*Potential Conference programme changes occur – please refer to the notice board and morning announcements.*

Time - 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Welcoming address

**Speakers**

1. John Corker, (Australian Pro Bono Centre)
2. Thip Nouansyvong, (BABSEA CLE)

Pre conference welcome reception and dinner "The Sun, the Moon and the Truth"

Featuring the new national TV program, "The Sun, the Moon and the Truth", produced by the Myanmar Legal Aid Corporation.

**Speakers**

1. Grace Swe Zin Htaik, (Producer of "The Sun, the Moon and the Truth")
2. Patrick Burgess, (Asia Justice and Rights)
3. The Human Drama Project

End of Pre-Conference

Day 1 (Thursday, 3 September 2015) - **Wilson Hotel, Mandalay**

Conference Programme Outline

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8:15 am – 9:00 am

Registration

Please note for ease of registration including communication there will be 2 registration desks. 1 desk is for Myanmar nationals and the 2<sup>nd</sup> desk is for all others including internationals working and/or living in Myanmar.

9.15 am – 9.45 am

Welcome addresses

**Speaker**

Bruce A. Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)  
 Wendy Morrish, (BABSEA CLE)



**Location –**  
**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

9.45 am - 10.30 am

Opening keynote address

The role that pro bono and ethics play in building a noble legal profession

**Speaker**

U Hla Ko, (Mandalay Law Firm)



**Location –**  
**Ballroom – Ground Floor**



10.30 am - 11.00 am

Morning refreshments

11.00 am - 12.15 pm

Plenary 1:

**What do we mean by pro bono and what are its ethics?**

**Speakers**

1. Adrian Evans, (Monash University, Melbourne, Australia)
2. Miriam Chinnappa, (Avocats Sans Frontières)
3. Panarairat Srichaiyarat, (Centre for ASEAN Studies, Khon Kaen University, Thailand)

**Facilitator**

Adrian Evans (Monash University, Melbourne, Australia)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

12.15 pm - 12.30 pm

Law student pop-up session

**Speakers**

Charmaine Yap, (National University of Singapore Student)

**Facilitator**

Helena Whalen-Bridge, (Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

12.30 pm - 2.00 pm

Lunch

2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Plenary 2:

**Identifying the legal needs and the challenges facing access to justice and legal aid in Asia and how pro bono might help overcome these challenges**

**Speakers**

1. Bruce A. Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Katie Robertson, (Maurice Blackburn)
3. Nicholas Booth, (United Nations Development Programme)
4. Sumaiya Islam, (Open Society Foundations)

**Facilitator**

Nicholas Booth, (United Nations Development Programme)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm

Afternoon refreshments

4.00 pm - 5.30 pm  
Breakout Sessions (6)



**Headsets for Interpretation**

- Hotel Ballroom – Ground Floor – Maximum 100 sets
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**4th** Annual Asia Pro Bono Conference & Legal Ethics Forum  
\* 3 – 6 September 2015

**Location -**

**Room 8104 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session A1:**

**Overcoming challenges of replicating pro bono programme success**

*This session will discuss the challenges of/ tips for scaling up or duplicating a successful pro bono programme elsewhere.*

**Speakers**

1. Annette Bain, (International Pro Bono Consultant)
2. Dan Creasey, (Colin Biggers & Paisley Lawyers, Australia)
3. Helena Whalen-Bridge, (Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore)
4. Kathryn Thornton, (Allen & Overy, Yangon)

**Facilitator**

Annette Bain, (International Pro Bono Consultant)



**Location -**

**Lounge - Level 1**

**Breakout Session A2:**

**International law firms and lawyers working with local lawyers in pro bono projects**

*This session aims to provide a forum for discussion about the models and challenges that present when international law firms and lawyers work with local lawyers on pro bono projects. E.g. practising certificate, language, cultural issues.*

**Speakers**

1. Anne-Françoise Meeüs, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')
3. Clara Feng, (ActionAid, Myanmar)
3. Craig Martin, (DLA Piper/New Perimeter)
4. Lim Tanguy, (Pro Bono Services Office, The Law Society of Singapore)

**Facilitator**

Lim Tanguy, (Pro Bono Services Office, The Law Society of Singapore)



**Location -**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

**Breakout Session A3:**

**Small firm pro bono**

*This session will include speakers from small firms in the region and how they go about their pro bono practice.*

**Speakers**

1. Manolinh Thepkhamvong, (Law Development and Partnership (LDP))
2. Preeda Saiupparat, (Upparat Law Office)
3. Tan Cheow Hung, (Beacon Law Corporation)
4. Thip Nouansyong, (BABSEA CLE)
5. U Than Soe (Advocate Myanmar)

**Facilitator**

Thip Nouansyong, (BABSEA CLE)



**Location -**

**Meeting Room - Level 1**

**Breakout Session A4:**

**Showcasing successful pro bono partnerships in the region**

*Regional successful case studies demonstrating impact and scale.*

**Speakers**

1. Archana Kotecha, (Liberty Asia)
2. Catriona Martin, (DLA Piper)
3. Kylie Kerin, (Legal Aid WA – East Kimberley Regional Office)
4. Miriam Chinnappa, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')

**Facilitator**

Michael Gill, (DLA Piper)



**Location -**

**Room 8106 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session A5:**

**Death penalty pro bono representation case studies: Ensuring quality legal services**

*By focusing on death penalty representation case studies this session will explore the professional and ethical need and ways to ensure quality pro bono legal services.*

**Speakers**

1. Bruce A. Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Jake Stevens, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')
3. Raynov Tumorang Pamintori, (Reprieve)

**Facilitator**

Bruce A. Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)



**Location -**

**Room 8107 – Level 1**

**Breakout Session A6:**

**Pro bono, corporate social responsibility: Differences and synergies**

*This session will discuss the difference between corporate social responsibility and pro bono responsibility. It will examine the spectrum of different approaches taken to the management of these programs by law firms.*

**Speakers**

1. Emma Dunlevie, (Russell Kennedy)
2. Freda Grealy, (Law Society of Ireland)
3. Sunil Pokharel, (Nepal Bar Association)

**Facilitator**

Freda Grealy, (Law Society of Ireland)

End of Day 1



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**Day 2 (Friday, 4 September 2015) - Wilson Hotel, Mandalay**

**Conference Programme Outline**

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8:00 am – 8:45 am

**Registration**

8:45 am – 9:00 am

Administrative announcements/introduction, etc.

**Speakers**

1. Hsar Moo, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Lauren Donnison, (BABSEA CLE)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

9:00 am – 9.45 am

Keynote address

Further developing the pro bono legal culture and structure in the region

**Speaker**

Malathi Das, Immediate Past President LAWASIA, (Joyce A Tan and Partners)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

10:00 am – 11:15 am  
Breakout Sessions (7)



**Location -**

**Lounge - Level 1**

**Breakout Session B1:**

The relationship between pro bono and legal aid

*This session will discuss the differences between pro bono and legal aid and look at circumstances where they overlap such as with Legal Aid NGO's delivering pro bono services.*

**Speakers**

1. Bruce Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Christina Beninger, (International Development Law Organisation)



**Location -**

**Room 8104 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session B2:**

Encouraging and coordinating pro bono

*One of greatest challenges in pro bono across Asia is getting appropriate referrals through to the law firms. Clearinghouses provide a critical point of coordination and advice as between pro bono seeker and pro bono provider. This session will explore ways that this can work better in the Asian region.*

**Speakers**

1. Anne-Françoise Meeüs, (Avocats Sans



**Location -**

**Room 8107 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session B3:**

The role of Government in supporting and developing pro bono

*This session aims to discuss what role Government and laws can play to make it easier for pro bono work to be done.*

**Speakers**

1. Helena Whalen-Bridge, (National University of Singapore 'NUS')
2. John Corker, (Australian Pro Bono Centre)
3. Somchai Homlaor, (Thailand Law Reform



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3. Kristen Hilton, (Victoria Legal Aid)
4. Patrick Burgess, (Asia Justice and Rights)

**Facilitator**

Patrick Burgess, (Asia Justice and Rights)

- Frontières 'ASF'
2. Carolina Henriquez Schmitz, (TrustLaw)
  3. Sue Garlick, (QPILCH)
  4. Tze-wei Ng, (PILnet)

**Facilitator**

Tze-wei Ng, (PILnet)

Commission/ Human Rights and Development Foundation)

**Facilitator**

John Corker, (Australian Pro Bono Centre)

**Location -**

**Room 8108 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session B4:**

**National programmes in a global pro bono practice**

*This session aims to look at the challenges and benefits of national and/ or cross-border projects and running international pro bono practices at larger law firms.*

**Speakers**

1. Katie Sweatman, (K&L Gates, Melbourne)
2. Lynn McMahon, (Herbert Smith Freehills)
3. Sarah Morton-Ramwell, (Ashurst)

**Facilitator**

Lynn McMahon, (Herbert Smith Freehills)



**Location -**

**Ballroom – Ground**

**Breakout Session B5:**

**How do we improve awareness of the availability of pro bono legal services in Asian countries?**

*This session aims to discuss how the pro bono community can raise awareness amongst potential clients, particularly organizations that pro bono legal services can be accessed.*

**Speakers**

1. Leni Widi-Mulyani, (Pasundan University, Bandung)
2. Phallack Kong, (Panasastra University of Cambodia)
3. U Zaw Min Naung, (United Nations Development Programme)
4. Zarhmee, (Justice for All)

**Facilitator**

Marlon Manuel, (Alternative Law Groups)



**Location -**

**Room 8106 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session B6:**

**Pro bono and customary law**

*This session will explore the application and need of pro bono services in customary law jurisdictions.*

**Speakers**

1. Daw Khin Win Yee, (Advocate Myanmar)
2. Jane Schukoske, (S M Sehgal Foundation)
3. Natasha Latiff, (Strategic Advocacy for Human Rights)

**Facilitator**

Jane Schukoske, (S M Sehgal Foundation)



**Location -**

**Meeting Room -**

**Breakout Session B7:**

**Pro bono and the right to health: The role of pro bono in supporting health outcomes amongst vulnerable populations"**

*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, prisoners, sex workers and migrant populations.*

**Speakers**

1. Eamonn Murphy (UNAIDS)
2. Nguyen Thi Thuy Linh, (BABSEA CLE)
3. Nicholas Thomson, (BABSEA CLE Australia)
4. Sid Naing, (Marie Stopes International)

**Facilitator**

Nicholas Thomson, (BABSEA CLE Australia)

11:15am – 11:45am

Morning refreshments

11:45am – 1:15pm



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**Plenary 3:**

**The role of bar associations in supporting pro bono (Session 1)**



*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 pro bono initiatives.*

**Speakers**

1. Bruno Langhendries, (Avocats Sans Frontières)
2. Gregory Vijayendran, (Vice-President Singapore Law Society)
3. Mae Tanner, (International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute)
4. Mark Woods, (Chair Access to Justice Committee, Law Council of Australia)
5. Sunil Pokharel, (Secretary General, Nepal Bar Association)

**Facilitator**

Mark Woods, (Chair Access to Justice Committee, Law Council of Australia)

**Location –**  
**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

1:15 pm – 2:30 pm

Lunch

2:30 pm – 3:45 pm  
Breakout Sessions (7)



**Location -**  
**Meeting Room -**

**Breakout Session C1:**

**How do law firms encourage their lawyers to do pro bono work?**


*This session will look at different methods of encouragement in different size firms, eg. Credit towards billable targets, recognition in advancement, internal messaging.*

**Speakers**

1. Carolina Henriquez Schmitz, (TrustLaw)
2. Cheow Hung Tan, (Beacon Law Corporation & BABSEA CLE)
3. Dan Creasey, (Colin Biggers & Paisley)
4. Lynn McMahon, (Herbert Smith Freehills)

**Facilitator**

Lynn McMahon, (Herbert Smith Freehills)



**Location -**  
**Room 8104 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session C2:**

**Establishing a point of focus for pro bono action and planning in each country in the region**



*This session will look at what exists now in various countries as a point of focus for expertise about pro bono and models with a view to developing this point of focus in other Asian countries. (Session also to address how to measure impact)*

**Speakers**

1. Annette Bain, (International Pro Bono Consultant)
2. John Corker, (Australian Pro Bono Centre)
3. Tanguy Lim, (Pro Bono Services Office, Singapore Law Society)
4. Wendy Morrish, (BABSEA CLE)

**Facilitator**

Wendy Morrish, (BABSEA CLE)

**Location -**  
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**Breakout Session C3:**

**The relationship between pro bono and legal aid**

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**Speakers**

1. Bruce Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Kristen Hilton, (Victoria Legal Aid, Australia)
3. Patrick Burgess, (Asia Justice and Rights)

**Facilitator**

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**Location -**

**Lounge - Level 1**

**Breakout Session C4:**  
Measuring pro bono programme impact and success (Session 1)  
*The aim of this session is to discuss the current mechanisms for measuring pro bono programmes and ask what constitutes programme impact and success. The session will showcase successful monitoring to demonstrate programme impact and success.*

**Speakers**

1. Caitlin Reiger, (United Nations Development Programme)
2. Christopher Walsh, (Torrens University/BABSEA CLE)
3. Maxwell Abbott, (BABSEA CLE)
4. Michael Gill, (DLA Piper/New Perimeter)

**Facilitator**

Christopher Walsh, (Torrens University/BABSEA CLE)



**Location -**

**Room 8107 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session C5:**  
LGBT access to justice and pro bono support  
*This session will focus on regional legal and other barriers faced by these groups and ways that pro bono initiatives can help more modernize thought, legal norms, etc to provide A2J rights to these persons.*

**Speakers**

1. Celine Martin, (Destination Justice)
2. Katie Sweatman, (K & L Gates)
3. Nicholas Booth, (United Nations Development Programme)
3. Preeda Saiupparat, (Upparat Law Office)
5. Seth Gurgel, (PILnet)

**Facilitator**

Nicholas Booth, (United Nations Development Programme)



**Location -**

**Room 8108 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session C6:**  
Home & host, compensation & criminal defense: The many aspects of migrant workers' legal needs & pro bono support (Session 1)

*This first session will introduce participants to the wide range of legal needs that migrant workers 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 migrant worker advocacy.*

**Speakers**

1. Douglas MacLean, (Justice Without Borders)
2. Febi Yonesta (SUAKA, The Indonesia Civil Society Network for Refugee Protection)
3. Felicia Ong, (Beacon Law Corporation)
4. Hariyanto, (SBMI)
5. Irina Zaitseva, (Herbert Smith Freehills)

**Facilitator**

Douglas MacLean, (Justice Without Borders)



**Location -**

**Ballroom – Ground**

**Breakout Session C7:**  
The intersection between pro bono and community paralegals

*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 and discuss the ways that pro bono can support this role.*

**Speakers**

1. Bun Makara, (Equitable Cambodia)
2. Marlon Manuel, (Alternative Law Groups)
3. Melanie Hilton, (Women's Rights Advisor)
4. Natasha Latiff, (Strategic Advocacy for Human Rights)
5. U Min Lwin, (Namati)

**Facilitator**

Marlon Manuel, (Alternative Law Groups)

3:45 pm – 4:15 pm

Afternoon refreshments



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4:15 pm – 5:30 pm  
Breakout Sessions (6)



**Location -**  
**Ballroom – Ground Level**

**Breakout Session D1:**

**The social and ethical role of lawyers in access to justice and social change**

*This session will discuss the role lawyers can perform ethically and socially in areas of access to justice and social change.*

**Speakers**

1. Bruno Langhendries, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')
2. Catriona Martin, (DLA Piper)
3. Debrah Mercurio, (Mawlamyine Justice Center/MLaw)
4. Minh Nguyen, (Gide Loyrette Novel A.A.R.P.I.)
5. Sunil Pokharel, (Nepal Bar Association)

**Facilitator**

Minh Nguyen, (Gide Loyrette Novel A.A.R.P.I.)



**Location -**  
**Room 8104 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session D2:**

**Community Law Centres (CLCs) and pro bono services**

*The community law centre movement has been vital in establishing small street front places where lawyers and law students can volunteer to provide legal services to local clients in need. This session aims to look at community law centre development in various countries to promote discussion as to whether the CLC model could develop in countries in the Asian region.*

**Speakers**

1. Helen Yandell, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Mark Thomas, (Queensland University of Technology)
3. Scott McDougall, (Caxton Community Legal Centre)
4. U Kyaw Myint, (Yangon Justice Centre)

**Facilitator**

Helen Yandell, (BABSEA CLE)



**Location -**  
**Meeting Room - Level 1**

**Breakout Session D3:**

**Implications for law firms of working with The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights**

*This session aims to create a forum for firms to discuss the implications of these principles and how they should be taken into account in a firm's pro bono programme.*

**Speakers**

1. Carolina Henriquez Schmitz, (TrustLaw)
2. Craig Martin, (DLA Piper/New Perimeter)
3. Kyaw Min San, (Justice for All/ ICJ)

**Facilitator**

Craig Martin, (DLA Piper/New Perimeter)



**Location -**  
**Lounge - Level 1**

**Breakout Session D4:**

**Measuring pro bono programme impact and success (Session 2)**

*The aim of this workshop is to collaborate to author project pro bono indicators and then design a survey to measure stakeholders' attitudes, beliefs and opinions to assist implementors in understanding whether their important work is fostering a pro bono ethos in key stakeholders.*

**Facilitators**

1. Christopher Walsh, (Torrens)



**Location -**  
**Room 8106 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session D5:**

**Land security and pro bono services, regional experiences**

*This session will focus on a variety of regional experiences related to land security and the ways and means pro bono services have assisted to help ensure security.*

**Speakers**

1. Bun Makara, (Equitable Cambodia)
2. Thip Nouansyong, (BABSEA CLE)
3. U Min Lwin, (Namati)



**Location -**  
**Room 8108 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session D6:**

**Home & host, compensation & criminal defense: The many aspects of migrant workers' legal needs & pro bono support (Session 2)**

*This second session will present the work that a team of lawyers and caseworkers have done in addressing uniquely cross-border legal issues that migrant workers face.*

*Taking a "route-focused approach" their work has focused on particular legal issues that span multiple jurisdictions along several*



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<p>University/BABSEA CLE)          2. Maxwell Abbott, (BABSEA CLE</p>	<p><b>Facilitator</b>          Thip Nouansyvong , (BABSEA CLE)</p>	<p><i>migration routes. The issues considered apply to many migration routes, but will be presented using specific routes as examples.</i></p> <p><b>Speakers</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Douglas MacLean, (Justice Without Borders)</li> <li>2. Jaclyn Neo, (National University of Singapore)</li> <li>3. Leni Widi-Mulyani, (Pasundan University)</li> <li>4. Manisha Wijesinghe, (Daly &amp; Associates)</li> <li>5. Sumaiya Islam, (Open Society Foundations)</li> </ol> <p><b>Facilitator</b>          Douglas MacLean, (Justice Without Borders)</p>
<p>7:00 pm – 10:30 pm</p>		
<p><b>Conference dinner</b>  <i>Venue - Kot Ko Island Restaurant</i></p>		
<p><b>End of Day 2</b></p>		



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**Day 3 (Saturday, 5 September 2015) - Wilson Hotel, Mandalay  
Pro Bono and Legal Education**

**Conference Programme Outline**

*\*Potential Conference programme changes occur – please refer to the notice board and morning announcements.*

8:30 am – 9:00 am

**Registration**

9:00 am – 9:30 am

**Location – Ballroom**

**Welcome and keynote address**

**Speaker**

Panarairat Srichaiyarat, (Centre for ASEAN Studies, Khon Kaen University)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

9:30 am – 10:30 am

**Pro bono in the life of a law school student**

**Speakers**

1. Balawyn Jones, (Student – University of Queensland)
2. Bounthy Xaechao, (Student – Faculty of Law & Political Science, National University of Laos)
3. Rebecca Morrison, (Student – University of Queensland)
4. William Lee, (Student – University of Queensland)

**Facilitator**

1. Nguyen Thi Thuy Linh, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Suphamat Phonphra, (BABSEA CLE/SEACLEA)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

10:30 am – 11:00 am

**Morning refreshments**

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Should law professors/teachers do pro bono (is this option available in your country?)**

**Speakers**

1. Helena Whalen-Bridge, (National University of Singapore 'NUS')
2. Monica Taylor, (Pro Bono Centre, University of Queensland)

**Facilitator**

Helena Whalen-Bridge, (National University of Singapore 'NUS')



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

12:00 pm - 1.30 pm

**Lunch**



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1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

**A debate on whether student pro bono should be mandatory**

**Facilitator**

1. Douglas Leow Yun-Tek, (National University of Singapore, Pro Bono Group)
2. Maxwell Abbott, (BABSEA CLE)
3. Shawn Teo Kai Jie, (National University of Singapore, Pro Bono Group)
4. Tracey Atkinson, (BABSEA CLE)
5. Vidjia Phun, (Pannasastra University of Cambodia)




**Location –**  
**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

**Tracking student pro bono initiatives**

*A session where students who attended any of the previous Asia Pro Bono Conferences, or are now running student pro bono programmes talk about what has influenced them to do what they are now doing.*

**Speaker**

1. Kimpav Mao, (Student - Pannasastra University of Cambodia)
2. Pavina Thephithuck, (BABSEA CLE)
3. Suphamat Phonphra, (BABSEA CLE/SEACLEA)

**Facilitators**

1. Pavina Thephithuck, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Suphamat Phonphra, (BABSEA CLE/SEACLEA)




**Location –**  
**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm  
(includes working refreshment break)

**Effective student-lawyer pro bono: strategies for making the most of the student-lawyer relationship.**

*Students, lawyers and others working together.*

**Speakers**

1. Bruce A. Lasky, (BABSEA CLE).
2. Preeda Saiupparat, (Upparat Law Office)
3. Sue Garlick, (QPILCH)

**Facilitator**

Bruce A. Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)




**Location –**  
**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm

**Wrap up and closing address**

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

**SEALAW & PBCLEF Hosted Dinner**

*Venue - Jin Taw Chinese Buddhist Temple*

**End of Day 3**



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**Day 4 (Sunday, 6 September 2015) - Wilson Hotel, Mandalay**  
**Pro Bono and Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility Forum**

**Conference Programme Outline**

*\*Potential Conference programme changes occur – please refer to the notice board and morning announcements.*

8:30 am – 9:00 am

**Registration**

9:00 am – 10:00 am

**Welcome and keynote address**

Address will focus on the intersection between pro bono, legal ethics, professional responsibility and access to justice

**Speaker**

Adrian Evans, (Monash University)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

10:00 am – 11:00 am

**Plenary 4:**

**Ways to better develop a noble legal profession through pro bono, legal ethics and professional responsibility practices**

*This session will draw on the discussions around pro bono and professional responsibility from the previous 3 days of the conference. It will focus on their connection with the key principles of legal ethics and how this inter-connection is essential to the development of a noble legal profession. In this session a three person panel consisting of lawyers from Myanmar and Singapore and an international ethicist will provide their perspectives on the particular challenges and methods of ensuring a noble legal profession in the region.*

**Speakers**

1. Adrian Evans, (Monash University)
2. Leah Wortham, (Catholic University of America)
3. Roger Normand, (Justice Trust)

**Facilitator**

Adrian Evans, (Monash University)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

11:00 am – 11:30 am

**Morning refreshments**

11:30 am – 12:30 pm  
 Breakout Sessions (6)



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**Location -**  
**Room 8106 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session E1:**

**Ways to overcome legal ethics and professional responsibility challenges in the region**

*Case studies from the Asia region. This session will focus on the challenges in the region associated with equipping students and legal professionals with an understanding of their core ethical and professional obligations. It will address questions of regulation, training and the prevention of bribery and corruption and how these issues are approached in the context of both law students and legal practitioners.*

**Speakers**

1. Helena Whalen-Bridge, (National University of Singapore)
2. Minh Nguyen, (Gide Loyrette Novel A.A.R.P.I.)
3. Vidjia Phun, (Pannasastra University of Cambodia)

**Facilitator**

Helena Whalen-Bridge, (National University of Singapore)



**Location -**  
**Lounge - Level 1**

**Breakout Session E5:**

**A lawyer's duty to the client and using a client-centered lawyering approach**

*This is an interactive and practical skill building session. It will focus on:*  
- the key duties a lawyer owes to his or her client;  
- the issues arising when those duties conflict with a lawyer's duty to the court, the duty of confidentiality etc.

**Speakers**

1. Jane Schukoske, (S M Sehgal Foundation)
2. Lionel Blackman, (Solicitors' International Human Rights Group)



**Location -**  
**Ballroom – Ground Level**

**Breakout Session E3:**

**Regional examples of teaching legal ethics related regulation and ensuring compliance in:**

**Law schools  
lawyering schools  
continuing legal education programmes**  
*This session will focus on the need for legal ethics to be taught in law schools and at all levels of professional legal development using practical examples of how compliance is encouraged, enforced and monitored in the region.*

**Speakers**

1. Bruce Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Nattakan Chomphuthong, (BABSEA CLE)
3. Vivien Holmes, (Australian National University)

**Facilitator**

Bruce Lasky, (BABSEA CLE)



**Location -**  
**Meeting Room - Level 1**

**Breakout Session E4:**

**Ethical obligations of public service lawyers.**

*This session will address:- what is meant by public service lawyers and providing legal services in the public interest?; the ethical obligations and unique issues which arise in the context of legal practitioners who operate in the service of the public;- the challenges of law-making and administration of legal systems within an ethical framework.*

**Speakers**

1. John Corker, (Australian Pro Bono Centre)
2. Kristen Hilton, (Victoria Legal Aid)



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<b>Facilitator</b> John Corker, (Australian Pro Bono Centre)	3. Neta Ziv, (Tel Aviv University) <b>Facilitator</b> Jane Schukoske, (S M Sehgal Foundation)	'ASF') <b>Facilitator</b> Jake Stevens, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')
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12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Lunch

1:30 pm – 2:45 pm  
 Breakout Sessions (5)



**Location -**  
**Lounge - Level 1**

**Breakout Session F1:**  
 Comparing professional conduct rules of countries within the region and internationally.  
*This session will focus on the commonalities of professional conduct rules in the region and the reasons why these common topics are a source of bridging borders. It will explore the advantages and disadvantages of a codified approach to professional conduct, look at the differing penalties and disciplinary regimes for failure to comply and give practical examples of the successful application of professional conduct rules in the region.*

**Speakers**

1. Kyaw Min San, (Justice for All/ ICJ)
2. Mark Woods, (Chair Access to Justice Committee, Law Council of Australia)
3. Richard Wu, (University of Hong Kong)

**Facilitator**  
 Mark Woods, (Chair Access to Justice Committee, Law Council of Australia)



**Location -**  
**Room 8106 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session F2:**  
 The ethical practice of client-centered lawyering  
*This session will explore the concept of client-centered lawyering as a means of ensuring access to justice and furthering the objectives of a noble legal profession. With reference to a range of holistic teachings and core legal skills and values the session 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.*

**Speakers**

1. Marlon Manuel, (Alternative Law Groups, Philippines)
2. Miriam Chinappa, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')
3. Phallack Kong, (Panasastra University of Cambodia)

**Facilitator**  
 Miriam Chinappa, (Avocats Sans Frontières 'ASF')



**Location -**  
**Ballroom – Ground Level**

**Breakout Session F3:**  
 A lawyer's duty to the court and the court's duty to administer justice according to law.  
*This is an interactive and practical skill building session which will address the core elements of a practitioner's overriding duty to the court and the court's duty to administer justice fairly, expediently and with the objective of maintaining and upholding the rule of law.*

**Speakers**

1. Debrah Mercurio, (Mawlamyine Justice Center/ MLaw)
2. Freda Grealy, (Law Society of Ireland)
3. Nahum Mushin, (Monash University)
4. U Htain Win, (Advocate Myanmar)

**Facilitator**  
 Freda Grealy, (Law Society of Ireland)



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**Location -**

**Room 8104 - Level 1**

**Breakout Session F4:**

**Avoiding conflict of interests:**

*This is an interactive and practical skill building session which will focus on:- What is a conflict of interest?- What are some of the key areas of legal practice in which conflicts can arise?;- What happens when a lawyer's own interests conflict with those of his / her client?;- Should legal practitioners act for their own family members?- how can a conflict of interest be dealt with after it has occurred?*

**Speakers**

1. Irina Zaitseva, (Herbert Smith Freehills)
2. Leah Wortham, (Catholic University of America)
3. Nattakan Chompuhong, (BABSEA CLE)

**Facilitator**

Leah Wortham, (Catholic University of America)

**Location -**

**Meeting Room - Level 1**

**Breakout Session F5:**

**Duty of confidentiality:**

*This is an interactive and practical skill building session which will focus on the key elements of the duty of confidentiality and the issues arising when the duty conflicts with other duties owed by the lawyer. It will look at instances of when a lawyer's own interests conflict with those of his / her client and what happens when lawyers do not act solely in their client's interests.*

**Speakers**

1. Helen Yandell, (BABSEA CLE)
2. Lionel Blackman, (Solicitors' International Human Rights)
3. Yuet Min Foo, (Drew & Napier and BABSEA CLE)

**Facilitator**

Yuet Min Foo, (Drew & Napier and BABSEA CLE)

2:45 pm – 3:15 pm

Afternoon refreshments

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm

**Plenary 5**

**The regional curriculum development and teaching of legal ethics, professional responsibility, pro bono and access to justice: Experiences and opportunities**

*Panel presentation and open discussion. This session will focus on pro bono opportunities in the region with particular reference to the practical legal ethics and professional responsibility program developed by BABSEA CLE and its partners which has been rolled out in [6] countries in the region*

**Speakers**

1. Leah Wortham, (Catholic University of America)
2. Lynn McMahon, (Herbert Smith Freehills)
3. Nattakan Chompuhong, (BABSEA CLE)

**Facilitator**

Lynn McMahon, (Herbert Smith Freehills)



**Location –**

**Ballroom – Ground Floor**

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm

**Wrap up - Closing ceremony**

**End of Day 4**



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