



BRIDGING BORDERS

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What Do We Mean by "Footprint"?

Dear Friends and Supporters of **Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE)**,



If you ask anyone whether or not they want to succeed in life, the most common answer might be, "Why not... it's what I desire". Yet, the meaning of success is different for each person, and can often be much more difficult to achieve for an organization. In 2015

BABSEACLE did not face this challenge and this was a very successful year.

Our 2015 BABSEACLE Magazine will illustrate this success. Step-by-step, please let us guide you through our achievements, this past year, by following our organizational "footprints", through our newsletter articles.

As the BABSEACLE Newsletter Coordinator, I would like to quote Arthur Ashe, a very famous American Athlete and humanitarian who said, "Success is a journey, not a destination. The doing is often more important than the outcome." We, the BABSEACLE team, always make the effort to do more and more. Through doing this our impact and success becomes clear. This is continuously illustrated in our quarterly newsletters and Annual End of the Year Magazine as our articles contain loads of information and stories about our many Access to Justice initiatives.

This is the final quarterly Newsletter of 2015, and all who followed our newsletter footprints, went along with us on our journey. Heading into 2016, we will continue this marvelous journey that brings so many positive rewards to so many.

We sincerely thank all our supporters, volunteers, interns, team members and friends, for everything, because we can't do it without your help. This is our New Year's gift from and to you - and the promise to continue good work in 2016.



Lan Anh Nguyen, BABSEACLE Newsletter Coordinator, on behalf of the BABSEACLE Team



Community Teaching at Urban Light Foundation

As an Assistant Lecturer at the Pyay University Department of Law, I know that community teaching benefits trainers, students, the university and the community, and is one of the models of the Clinical Legal Education (CLE) Programme. The community, at large, may include high school students, NGO staff, a single mothers' home, a youth training center and/or village members, and all want to be aware of their rights.

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Magway University CLE Mock Trial Workshop

The Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE) Myanmar team, Lauren Ann Donnison (Pro Bono Initiatives and Externship Coordinator), Lahpai Nang Doi (Assistant Legal Trainer) and Hlaing Myint Kyaw (Dang) (Project Assistant), and Professor Susan Wood McGraugh (Clinical Professor of Law at Saint Louis University School of Law) conducted a CLE Mock Trial Workshop at Magway University Campus, in Myanmar, on the 12th -13th December, 2015, and 14 students and 24 teachers, including Associate Professor Head of Department (Dr. Moe Moe Aung) participated.

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Dagon University Community Legal Education Mock Trial and Externship Workshop

Bridges Across Borders South East Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE) successfully conducted a Clinical Legal Education (CLE) Mock Trial and Externship Workshop, at Dagon University, December 10 - 11 2015.

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Reflections of an International Clinician in Residence in Myanmar

So far, two and a half weeks into my one month with Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE) have been a flurry of activity, and it has been a wonderful and familiar fit. [Read more](#)



Training for the "Ideal" Street Law Clinical Legal Education (CLE) Teaching Clinics

It is hard to believe that, not only is the work over, in Chiang Mai, with Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE) and the Myanmar Law Teachers, but also that it went by so fast. I think that the time with those teachers was productive, and I look forward to seeing how such work impacts the development of their Clinical Legal Education (CLE) programs when they get home. [Read more](#)



Our Work With The Wildflower Shelter Home

Throughout our time as interns with Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE), much of the work was focused on the expansion of clinical



My Experiences at the 9th PILnet European Pro Bono Forum in Rome

As the Pro Bono Initiative and Externship Coordinator for Bridges Across Borders South East Asia Community Legal Education Initiative

legal education (CLE) in Myanmar. However, this was not nearly all we did and true to BABSEACLE being a very holistic organization, we were able to be a part of some of the various community teaching programs it supports in Thailand, such as weekly legal lessons at Wildflower Home. The home "provides safe shelter, education, health and other services to young southeast Asian single mothers", many of whom are from Myanmar, and BABSEACLE provides the mothers with lessons on basic legal rights, not only as mothers, but also for their future.

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Interns video

This video will show you what an internship at Bridges Across Borders South East Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE) (Thailand Office) is like. It will mainly show the location and some of the business and leisure activities the interns have been involved in. Of course, this video only provides you with some information about the internship in Thailand and every internship will be slightly different.

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(BABSEACLE), it was with great pleasure that I had the opportunity to attend the 9th PILnet Pro Bono Forum, in Rome, November 11 - 13. Although it was my first time to visit this wonderful city, and the first to attend a Pro Bono conference in Europe, it was nice to see some familiar faces, from the 4th Asia Pro Bono Conference and Legal Ethics Forum, which was held in Mandalay, in September, and I was excited to meet new faces too. [Read more](#)



New Members at the BABSEACLE Team

BABSEACLE is pleased to introduce its newest BABSEACLE Team members.

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