

2nd Southeast Asia/Asia Pro Bono Conference & Workshop 2013

"Pro Bono Initiatives to Strengthen Access to Justice"



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The 2nd Southeast Asia/Asia Pro Bono Conference and Workshop will bring together academics, law students, lawyers, judiciary, pro bono professionals, policy makers, civil society and non-profit representatives to consider the multifarious ways pro bono initiatives can strengthen access to justice in Southeast Asia and internationally. The conference and workshop will be an exciting mix of keynote speech, panel discussion, poster presentations and interactive workshop sessions. There will be lots of opportunity for participation, collaboration and dialogue. The Conference will showcase selected, timely and innovative pro bono partnerships and provide a unique space for participants to collaborate in order to improve access to justice for some of the world's most marginalised communities.

The Conference aims to:

- Educate university academics, law students, lawyers, judiciary, pro bono professionals, policy makers, civil society and non-profit representatives about the meaning and concept of pro bono initiatives;
- Demonstrate the importance of pro bono initiatives to achieve greater access to justice for poor, marginalised and disadvantaged communities in Southeast Asia and internationally;
- Foster collaborative ties between conference participants to conceptualise, design, launch and strengthen pro bono initiatives locally, regionally and internationally;
- Demonstrate various models of pro bono initiatives that may be applicable and transferable in South East Asia and internationally; and
- Showcase the successful establishment of pro bono initiatives and programmes.

The conference theme focuses on strengthening access to justice through pro bono initiatives and programmes. Individuals interested in participating in the Conference are also encouraged to submit papers/presentations¹ addressing one or more of the following topics:

Pro bono and clinical legal education (CLE)

¹ Your paper/presentation must demonstrate how you will incorporate interactive methodology into the session

- Successful models of pro bono initiatives or programmes
- Pro bono partnerships: local, regional, international
- Advocating pro bono and professional responsibility
- Pro bono initiatives in Asia today
- Developing a pro bono ethic in and with advocates for justice
- Pro bono and technology
- Pro bono and sustainable strengthening of access to justice
- Related initiatives that promote access to justice for marginalised communities

The Conference will be composed of several types of contributions:

Full Papers - Primarily focused on accomplished research describing successful impacts of probono programmes and initiatives with a maximum of 8 pages (5,000 words).

Short Papers or **Reflection Papers** – Composed of work-in-progress, reports, fresh developments in the field or a review of recent literature pertaining to a particular problem or approach, indicate what the findings suggest, and/or provide suggestions for solutions with a 4 page maximum (2,500 words).

Law Student Consortium – These consortiums provide the forum for group discussions where law students share individual projects and on-going work related to CLE and pro bono initiatives. Prospective law students should send a report describing their projects and/or work in a maximum of 4 pages (2,500 words). Alternatively works such as documentary films, photography or artwork can be submitted with a 250 word abstract.

CLE Clinics Showcases & Exhibitions – Showcases and/or exhibitions that present recent developments and applications in CLE programmes or initiatives. These should be designed to inform a large and qualified audience about the successes of any pro bono clinics or programmes globally.

Posters – These contain implementation information or work-in-progress and have two pages at maximum (1,250 words) besides the poster itself (or demonstration) that will be displayed at the conference during the early registration poster display on 10 October and throughout the Conference.

This is a blind peer-reviewed call for papers. All accepted papers will be published in a separate open access volume with an accompanying ISBN number.

Targeted writing mentoring, support and editing will be given to non-English speaking participants and students upon request. BABSEA CLE can provide this mentoring early in the writing process. Please email christopher.walsh@babseacle.org to request mentoring by May 15, 2013.

Important dates:

| 1 st March 2013 | Early registration opens |
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| 9 th August 2013 | Submission deadline for all conference contributions |
| 9 th September 2013 | Late registration opens |
| 10 th October 2013 | Arrival registration opens, CLE Showcase and Exhibition and Poster Display |
| 11 th & 12 th October 2013 | 2nd Southeast Asia and Asia Pro Bono Conference and Workshop 2013 |

Style guidelines: Margins:

Paper Size: A4 Top: 2.5 cm

Bottom: 2.5 cm Left: 3 cm Right: 3.5 cm Header: 1.25 cm Footer: 1.25 cm

Title: The title should be centered in 16pt Garamond, boldface, all capitalized and paragraph spacing after 24pt.

Authors: The Authors name should be centered in 14pt Garamond.

Abstract: Use the word **Abstract** as the title, in 14 pt Garamond, boldface, paragraph spacing before 42pt and paragraph spacing after 6pt. The abstract is to be in 12pt Garamond, italics and justified.

Keywords: Use the word **Keyword** as the title, in 14 pt Garamond, boldface, paragraph spacing before 18pt and paragraph spacing after 6pt. The keywords are to be in 12 pt Garamond and justified.

Main Text: Type your main text in 12 pt Garamond, single spaced and justified. Please do not place any additional blank lines between paragraphs. The second paragraph and subsequent paragraphs should be indented first line 0.5 cm.

Heading 1: use this style for level one headings (14 pt Garamond, boldface)

Paragraph: use this for the first paragraph in a section, or to continue after an extract. (no indent) New paragraph: use this style when you need to begin a new paragraph. (.05 indent)

- For bulleted lists
- 1. For numbered lists

Heading 2: use this style for level two headings

Heading 3: create the heading in italics. Run the text after a punctuation mark.

Figures and Tables: All figures and tables should have a caption. Figure and table captions should be 12 pt Garamond. Initially capitalize only the first word of each figure caption and table title. Figures and tables must be numbered separately. For example "Figure 1. Text here", "Table 1. Text here. Figure captions are to be centered below the figures with paragraph spacing after 6pt and paragraph spacing before 6pt. Table titles are to be centered above the tables, paragraph spacing after 6pt and paragraph spacing before 6pt.

References: The references must be listed alphabetically. References should be 12pt Garamond, justified, indentation hanging 0.5 cm and paragraph spacing after 2pt. References: APA only. For information see http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/

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