



# BRIDGING BORDERS

July 2014

Dear BABSEA CLE Friends and Supporters,

To mark the end of the second quarter of 2014, we have gathered a round-up of BABSEA CLE news from April to June with reports on activities and events we have been involved in from across the region and around the world. This newsletter is filled with passionate articles written by our hardworking BABSEA CLE team members, interns, volunteers, and partners. Thank you to all who shared their experiences with us and supported the success of these events.

In this issue, we have lot of interesting articles to update you on our work and those of our partners, including the highlights from the rapidly developing Myanmar CLE programme, Preparing for the 3rd SEA/Asia Pro Bono Conference, Teaching Legal Ethics in Cambodia, Advertising the Access to Justice Weekend at the Song Kran Festival, Test Teaching the BABSEA CLE "CLE English Manual", and More Development for the Practice of Law and More Confidence for Vietnam Students to Enter the Profession.

We also want to share with you our successful workshop on How to Build a CLE Program Workshop for the Universities in the South of Thailand and the Justice Without Borders (JWB) Update: Because Justice for Only One in Five is No Justice at All. We also have articles written by interns based in the BABSEA CLE Chiang Mai office and the Faculty of Law and Political Science Clinical Legal Education in Laos.

We would like to once again thank all our supporters, volunteers, interns, staff, and friends. Without your help, none of this would be possible.

The BABSEA CLE Team



## The Remarkable Pace Of CLE In Myanmar

BABSEA CLE, in consortium with Herbert Smith Freehills (HSF) and DLA Piper/New Perimeter, have undertaken the role in assisting to establish and strengthen university-based and community-based



## Preparing for the 3rd Southeast Asia/Asia Pro Bono Conference & Workshop In Singapore: 2 - 4 October

As a rising third year student at Drexel University School of Law in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA, I am spending this summer and fall in what some would

Clinical Legal Education (CLE) programmes in Myanmar. This nationwide programme is co-supported by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). [Read more](#)



**JWB Update: Because Justice for Hardly One in Five is No Justice at All**  
On a recent trip to Japan, I asked the head of the country's largest migrant advocacy network how many foreign workers with claims against their employers actually seek compensation. [Read more](#)

consider an unorthodox way: I am interning with BABSEA CLE in Chiang Mai, Thailand. [Read more](#)



**Promoting CLE in Laos**  
I have been studying for two years at the Faculty of Law at Khon Kaen University in Thailand. I am so lucky to have received the ASEAN Intern scholarship from my university. [Read more](#)



**More Development of the Practice of Law and More Confidence for Vietnam Students To Enter The Profession**  
After the success of two workshops in Can Tho (12th & 13th April) and Ho Chi Minh City (15th April), a 3rd workshop was organized, in a friendly and effective way, on the 19th & 20th of April, in Hanoi. [Read more](#)



**Legal Ethics Curriculum is in Cambodia**  
On May 10th and 11th, 2014, the Faculty of Law and Public Affairs at Panassatra University of Cambodia (PUC) hosted a two-day training workshop on Legal Ethics & Professional Responsibility. [Read more](#)



**2014 Human Rights Award Given at Central European University**  
In May 2003, BABSEA CLE Co-Director Bruce Lasky graduated from Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary with an LL.M. in International



**BABSEA CLE Welcomes the Admin Support of June, Tony and Pim**  
In March and June of this year three new admin team members began working to help support the work of BABSEA CLE and its local Thailand partners, CLE Foundation and CLE Group. [Read more](#)

Human Rights.  
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### Combined Legal Ethics Curriculum: Creating a Universal Guide for Teaching Legal Ethics

Due, in part, to the efforts of BABSEA CLE and its many partners, access to justice Clinical Legal Education (CLE) programmes now exist throughout the Southeast Asian region. [Read more](#)



### Test Teaching The BABSEA CLE "CLE English Manual"

The CLE English Manual, written by BABSEA CLE director Kevin Morley and Sophie Geoghegan, a member of the Thailand team, is designed to teach students how to use the manual and how to improve their English language skills. [Read more](#)



### Studying Human Trafficking in Laos

My name is Kannika Aree and my nickname is Chompoo. I am a law student at Khon Kaen University in Thailand.

[Read more](#)



### My Tax Class Experience at the Faculty of Law and Political Science, NUOL

I am an internship student in my second year at the Faculty of Law, Khon Kaen University, Thailand. My name is Thanyamat Hemmahachart and I am also known as "Mo".

[Read more](#)



### Experiences from Participants in the Legal Studies Clinic (Thai internship program) from 21 April - 16 May

CLE Foundation hosted seven interns from Thaksin University and Kasetsart



### 'How to Build a CLE Program' workshop for the universities in the South of Thailand

BABSEA CLE and CLE Foundation opened the month of May, with a two-day workshop, in beautiful Song Khla, Thailand.



### **Wat Sai Moon-The Smiling Children**

On June 8th, 2014, I taught English at Wat Sai Moon for the first time. I went with a fellow intern, Parvinder Nijjar. As participants in the Externship Program offered by BABSEA CLE, [Read more](#)



### **Building an International Team by Hiking to Doi Suthep**

The hike to Wat Doi Suthep began early on our first Saturday in Chiang Mai. All the interns, Helen Yandell, BABSEA CLE Director, and three members of the Thai team, guided by Dang, a volunteer, piled into a red truck and, after a token stop at 7-11 for water bottles, set out to climb the mountain. [Read more](#)



### **Advertising The Access to Justice Weekend at the Song Kran Festival**

The Thai New Year Water Festival, Song Kran, was the perfect opportunity for BABSEA CLE to advertise its Access to Justice Weekend Event, taking place in January 2015. [Read more](#)



### **Community Teaching with Lao Law Students**

My name is Warunee Khaophatthanawan. I am a third year law student at Khon Kaen University (KKU) in Thailand. I was awarded a scholarship from the University to go to Laos for an internship program in order to fulfill my degree requirements and to learn about another culture. [Read more](#)



### **Learning about the Implementation of Clinical Legal Education at Chiang Mai University, Faculty of Law**

This was my last clinical attachment as a finalist for my Master's degree in Health Law Policy and Bioethics, courtesy of the program for international human rights law at the Robert H. McKinney School of Law, Indiana University. [Read more](#)



### **Learning Life Skills by Working in Laos at Village Focus International**

Almost one month ago, I had the opportunity to complete an internship at Village Focus International (VFI). VFI is a Vientiane-based non-profit focused on eradicating poverty, including empowering local communities with land rights. [Read more](#)





**Join Us October 2nd - 4th, 2014**

3rd SEA/ASIA Pro Bono Conference, Singapore

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**5th Annual A2J Fair**

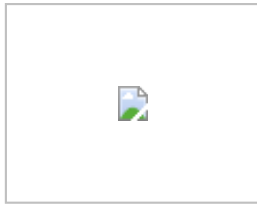
The 5th Access to Justice Public Interest Fair is coming on January 10th 2015.

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**6th Trio For Justice**

BABSEA CLE and CLE Foundation's 6th Trio For Justice on Saturday, 10 January 2015.

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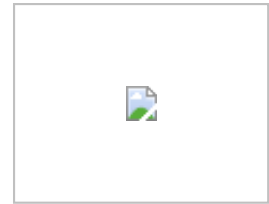


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