2016 Asia Pro Bono Forum

Lawyers as Innovators: Charting New Frontiers in Pro Bono

29–30 August
Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel, Bali
On behalf of PILnet’s board and staff, it is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to PILnet’s 3rd Asia Pro Bono Forum. Building on the success of past Forums in Hong Kong and Thailand, this year’s Forum in Bali represents a pivotal stage of growth for the pro bono movement in Asia.

The collaboration represented by the Asia Pro Bono Exchange is a dividend of these efforts. The Exchange brings you an expanded network that supports the good that you do in the world, and strengthens our collective ability to ensure that law works for all across Asia as a whole.

Access to justice here in Indonesia presents special challenges for pro bono practitioners. The vast geographical, ethnic and religious spread of the Indonesian people calls for an approach that combines insights from global experience with the deep roots of local understanding and engagement. Our goals for the Indonesia Forum, therefore, are not only to bring the accomplishments and expertise of the legal community to light, but also to provide fresh and apt opportunities for each of us to shape the next stage of public interest lawyering, nationally and throughout Asia.

The coming days will provide a range of exciting discussions, some theoretical and some practical, but all intended to focus our attention on real problems and build a commitment to effective solutions. Migration and trafficking topics are front-and-center at the Forum, as they remain among the toughest social justice concerns facing Asia. The Forum is an opening to
link public interest law actors in Indonesia, Hong Kong, Singapore, and the Philippines, so that we can apply diverse international resources to migration issues that, by their nature, call for a networked response.

Together with experts and advocates from across the globe, we will also explore topics ranging from the global trend linking business and human rights to the concerns of pro bono clearinghouses in supporting civil society organizations – many of whom face growing political and financial threats; from innovative programs that empower women and children to the relationship between pro bono and the profit motive.

Now is the time and the Forum is the place to turn goals into action, and to set a standard for legal responsibility that others across Asia can look to in modernizing their own legal institutions. Imagine Indonesia as the leader, providing a foundation for a legal community that helps to mobilize resources to work toward an inclusive, just society as called for in the UN sustainable development goals for 2030. In a very real sense, law has never been more powerful than it is now, nor more out of reach to serve the needs of the many. This is your chance to unite the access that we enjoy with the rights that all of us deserve.

Selamat datang and a warm welcome,
Garth Meintjes, President, PILnet
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Founded in 1998, PILnet advances the right and the responsibility of lawyers to represent the public interest. Supporting lawyers in Europe and Eurasia, Greater China and Southeast Asia, the Middle East and North Africa, we work to expand public interest lawyering, enhance efforts by local advocates to protect rights, and provide critical resources to civil society organizations through pro bono legal practice.

PILnet’s programs, from its prestigious fellowships for courageous young advocates to its sector-bridging activities such as its pro bono forums, are tailored to respond to the organizational development and strategic expertise needs of public interest law partners around the world. Our global reach means that we can foster international collaboration and build local relationships to unlock positive social impact.

Our Fellowship alumni—over 125 to date—represent the backbone of our engagement with local partners on legal projects. We develop these relationships both to help them achieve their public interest goals, as well as to expand and deepen the capacity of our network.

Our direct support of public interest advocates results in the growth of pro bono legal practice in places where it still may be uncommon, building collaboration between local and international law firms to provide strategic and specialized legal support.

Our Hong Kong Pro Bono Clearinghouse currently works with lawyers from more than 60 law firms, and has assisted over 80 NGOs and social enterprises with 115 requests in the past two years. The clearinghouse helps to shape and place matters with the help of our cultivated professional relationships with our fellowship alumni, firms and civil society organizations.

The geographic range now extends far into the region, from China to Thailand, India to Indonesia. Made up of more than matters alone, the Hong Kong office now advises law firms and interested intermediaries on the elements and common pitfalls of pro bono programs through workshops, trainings, and peer-to-peer exchanges.

Over its 18 years, PILnet’s significant resources have provided valuable assistance to civil society groups that are working to protect the public interest. Today, as our pro bono partnerships expand across Asia, we are helping to level the field for those on the front lines of social justice work.

For more information on PILnet’s work and how to get involved, visit www.pilnet.org.
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Conference Venue  Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel
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All Forum participants are welcome to attend the following social events:

Opening Reception
29 August 2016  |  18:30 – 21:30
Rumah Sanur
Jl. Danau Poso No.51A  |  Sanur, Semawang  |  Kota Denpasar, Bali
Tel: +62 361 282477  |  http://rumahsanur.com/

Transportation Information: A free bus service going to the Opening Reception venue will pick up participants from the Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel at 6.00pm. The bus will also take participants back to the Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel at the conclusion of the Opening Reception.

Post-Forum Cocktail Hour (cash bar)
30 August 2016  |  18:00 – 19:00
Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel Lobby Lounge

Post Forum Dinner (Optional)
30 August 2016  |  19:30 – 21:30
Kentongan Restaurant
Jl. Danau Tamblingan No.19  |  Sanur, Kota Denpasar  |  Bali

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The Chatham House rules apply.

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Bali, Indonesia (29–30 August 2016)

All sessions on 29 August will take place at The Puri Dalem Hotel unless otherwise noted.

Location: **The Puri Dalem Hotel**  
Jl. Hang Tuah No.23  |  Sanur Kaja, Denpasar Sel.  |  Kota Denpasar, Bali  
Tel. +62 361 288421  |  www.puridalemhotelbali.com

All sessions on 30 August will take place at The Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel unless otherwise noted.

Location: **The Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel**  
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PILnet’s 3rd Asia Pro Bono Forum
BALI, 29–30 AUGUST 2016

Monday, 29 August 2016

09:00–09:15  ASIA PRO BONO EXCHANGE 2016 OPENING

09:15–10:00  Registration

10:00–16:00  PRO BONO CLEARINGHOUSE WORKSHOP (by invitation only)
Mobilizing Lawyers to Support Civil Society in Asia
Location: Puri Dalem Hotel
Jl. Hang Tuah No.23  |  Sanur Kaja, Denpasar Sel.  |  Kota Denpasar, Bali

18:30–21:30  OPENING RECEPTION
The Opening Reception will be screening Kala Benoa, a documentary film on the experiences of the Balinese in facing the reclamation of Benoa Bay in the island province of Bali. The documentary screening will be followed by a Q&A with a journalist who worked on the documentary and lawyers working on land reclamation and other business and human rights issues in Bali and Indonesia.
Location: Rumah Sanur
Jl. Danau Poso No.51A  |  Sanur, Semawang  |  Kota Denpasar, Bali

Tuesday, 30 August 2016

ALL DAY  NGO MARKETPLACE
NGOs, law firms, law schools and companies will have the opportunity to discuss their pro bono programs with Forum participants and develop partnerships on specific pro bono projects.

08:00 – 08:30  Registration
Location: Sanur Paradise Plaza Hotel
Jl. Hang Tuah No.46  |  Sanur, Denpasar, Bali
08:30–09:15  **WELCOME**

- Garth Meintjes | PILnet | United States
- Representative from the Office of the Governor of Bali | Indonesia
- Asma Jahangir | AGHS Law Associates | Pakistan

09:15–10:15  **PLENARY SESSION**

**Is there a Business Case for Pro Bono in Asia?**
Experienced pro bono managers know the pitch: pro bono is good for your heart, great for society and makes business sense. But are we making assumptions about the business case for pro bono—an argument largely developed in the US and Western Europe—that don’t necessarily apply in Asia? What are some homegrown models and emerging trends that we can learn from, and how can your pro bono program stay ahead of the curve?

**Moderator:**
- Nicholas Booth | United Nations Development Programme | Thailand

**Speakers:**
- Su-Ann Cheah | J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. | Singapore
- Melli Darsa | Melli Darsa & Co. | Indonesia
- Tanguy Lim | Law Society of Singapore | Singapore
- Nicolas Patrick | DLA Piper | United Kingdom

10:15–10:30  **Coffee Break**

**WORKSHOP STREAMS**

- A. Issues
- B. Regional Experience
- C. Know How

10:30–11:40  **WORKSHOP SESSION 1**

**A. Follow the Money: Finding finance-related solutions to Debt Bondage, Forced Labor and other challenges faced by Migrant Workers**

Migrant workers are vulnerable to the unscrupulous practices of both recruitment agencies and moneylenders that leave them trapped in unethical debts. The panel will discuss pro bono initiatives and collaborations in receiving countries, such as Hong Kong and Singapore, which are leading
to economic empowerment of migrant workers. The panel will also explore additional ways lawyers and the private sector can help, by developing educational and accessible resources to combat debt bondage, and also working with companies on anti-corruption infrastructure and anti-money laundering.

Moderator:
• Archana Kotecha | Liberty Asia | Hong Kong

Speakers:
• Retno Dewi | Indonesia Women Organization | Indonesia
• Urszula McCormack | King & Wood Mallesons | Hong Kong
• Patrick Sinclair | Ropes & Gray | Hong Kong
• Daisy Tam | Enrich | Hong Kong

A. Protecting Women’s Rights Through Pro Bono

The status of women throughout Asia can differ dramatically from one country to the next, but one overarching truth ties them all: empowerment for women is an extremely effective way to improve the lives of children, families and women themselves. This panel will explore collaborative projects that aim to use the law to advance reproductive freedom and increase access to justice for victims of gender-based violence and female genital mutilation.

Moderator:
• Maysa Zorob | PILnet | United States

Speakers:
• Marlene Halpern | Center for Reproductive Rights | United States
• Ni Wayan Sita Metri | Lembaga Bantuan Hukum Bali (LBH Bali) | Indonesia
• Rebecca Naylor | Reed Smith | United Kingdom

B. Evolution of Pro Bono in Australia

Australia is the “the oldest” jurisdiction in the Asia-Pacific region in terms of pro bono development, but the journey has not been without its highs and lows. With an entrenched pro bono culture, a national aspirational target and strategic pro bono initiatives, what more can this country strive towards? What new challenges is Australia tackling? And how did it all begin? For emerging pro bono jurisdictions, there’s much to learn from the Australian experience: from what realistic targets should you set, the challenges you can anticipate along the way, to what paths not to take.


C. Developing a Pro Bono Practice within Your Firm

Where does one begin? How should you, as a law firm in Asia, screen pro bono requests, and what should go into a pro bono policy? How do you get senior buy-in or interest from junior associates? Which incentives work and which do not? In this panel, hear directly from leading law firms from different legal traditions, some already set up with successful pro bono programs while others striving to be the pioneer in their respective jurisdictions.

Moderator:
• Marianne McKeown | PILnet | Germany

Speakers:
• David Dai | MWE China Law Offices | China
• Felicity Kirk | Ropes & Gray | United Kingdom
• Janice Lin | Tsar & Tsai Law Firm | Taiwan

A. How to Put Justice in the Hands of a Child

Is access to justice for children in Indonesia and Asia beyond their reach? Every day, there are still children who are denied education and health care, or in serious cases exploited and abused in their homes and communities. Of those who have their rights violated, only a small percentage seeks redress. This panel will explore ideas and initiatives helping children overcome obstacles in seeking protection of the law, and how pro bono lawyers can contribute to educating children about their rights and supporting their access to justice.

Moderator:
• Deborah Papworth | Hagar International | Cambodia
Speakers:

- **Samnang Meas** | NGO Coalition on the Rights of the Child | Cambodia
- **Emi Rowse** | Herbert Smith Freehills | Thailand
- **Ahmad Sofian** | ECPAT - End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography & Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes | Indonesia
- **Ni Luh Gede Yastini** | Yastini & Raniti Law Office | Indonesia

**A. Anti-trafficking and Cross-border Solutions (roundtable)**

While the legal community is increasingly engaged in pro bono work to support frontline NGOs combatting human trafficking, support for individuals seeking remedies remains a challenge largely because of the cross-border nature of trafficking and forced labor. Many NGOs, while expert with seeking local remedies, struggle with negotiating the legal systems in foreign countries; other times litigation in the receiving/foreign country is the only option. This roundtable focusses on the access to justice needs of migrant workers from a cross-border perspective and how pro bono can better support cross-border projects, both in relation to seeking redress as well as prevention.

* This roundtable discussion will last 1 hour and 25 minutes. It will end at 13:05.

Moderator:

- **Henry Rojas** | Lawyers Beyond Borders | Philippines

Speakers:

- **Theresia Sri Endras Iswarini** | HIVOS Southeast Asia Regional Office | Indonesia
- **Archana Kotecha** | Liberty Asia | Hong Kong
- **Douglas MacLean** | Justice Without Borders (JWB) | Hong Kong/Singapore
- **Leni Widi Mulyani** | Pasundan University | Indonesia
- **Wayne Palmer** | BINUS University | Indonesia
- **Among Pundhi Resi** | International Organization for Migration | Indonesia

**B. Growing Pro Bono in Indonesia (roundtable)**

Stakeholders from different backgrounds will come together in this roundtable to discuss the role that pro bono can play in meeting legal needs of vulnerable groups in Indonesia. Speakers will take an in-depth look at what law firms, law schools, bar associations, NGOs and the government are already doing, the challenges they face in practice, how to do more, and highlight the potential gaps in the system that pro bono can fill to ensure access to justice for all.
*This roundtable discussion will last 1 hour and 25 minutes. It will end at 13:05.

Moderator:
- Ahmad Fikri Assegaf  | Assegaf Hamzah & Partners  | Indonesia

Speakers:
- Gunadarma  | Armand Yapsunto Muhrarmsyah and Partners (AYMP)  | Indonesia
- Rivai Kusumanegara  | Kusumanegara & Partners Attorneys & Counsellors at Law, Pro Bono Centre of Indonesian Bar Association PERADI  | Indonesia
- Eryanto Nugroho  | Yayasan Studi Hukum dan Kebijakan Indonesia (YSHK), Indonesian Foundation for Law and Policy Studies  | Indonesia
- Alvon Kurnia Palma  | Yayasan Lembaga Bantuan Hukum Indonesia (YLBHI), Indonesian Legal Aid Foundation  | Indonesia
- Wayan Purwita  | WPA Bali Law Office  | PERADI Denpasar, Indonesia
- Sugeng Teguh Santoso  | Sugeng Teguh Santoso Law Office  | Indonesia
- Erwina Tobing  | Ashurst in association with Oentoeng Suria & Partners  | Indonesia

13:05 – 14:10  

Lunch

14:10 – 14:40  

SPARK TALKS

“Spark Talks” provoke the imagination, inspire innovation, and challenge attitudes toward public interest law and the role of pro bono through short but stimulating presentations.

Speakers:
- Maria Cecilia Flores-Oebanda  | Visayan Forum Foundation  | Philippines
- Vitit Muntarbhorn  | Chulalongkorn University  | Thailand

14:40 – 15:50  

WORKSHOP SESSION 3

A. Role of Lawyers in Business and Human Rights

What can lawyers and law firms do to uphold the emerging framework of business and human rights? From offsetting human rights impacts via CSR and pro bono programs to implementing internal human rights policies, law firms are also increasingly advising commercial clients on human rights issues and ensuring they comply with increasingly complex international and local laws, regulations and listing rules, and that their clients have “the social license to operate”. This panel will also specifically examine pro bono initiatives to prevent and address community grievances in the areas of land,
environment and labor, as well as pro bono efforts in standard-setting and ensuring legal protection is afforded to disadvantaged groups in accordance with those international human rights standards.

**Moderator:**
- Catriona Martin  |  DLA Piper  |  Australia

**Speakers:**
- Antony Crockett  |  Herbert Smith Freehills in association with Hiswara Bunjamin & Tandjung  |  Indonesia
- Bobbie Sta. Maria  |  Business & Human Rights Resource Centre  |  Myanmar
- Jessica Marsh  |  TrustLaw  |  Thailand
- Andi Muttaqien  |  ELSAM – Lembaga Studi dan Advokasi Masyarakat (Institute for Policy Research and Advocacy)  |  Indonesia

**B. Pro Bono Development in China and India**

In the two most populous countries in the world, while pro bono culture is fast growing, the demand still far exceeds the supply. China and India face the common challenges of massive geographical spread, huge ethnic and language diversity, growing urban-rural divide and a sizeable proportion of their citizens still lagging behind in poverty. At the same time, they face unique challenges when it comes to development as well as mobilizing lawyers for the public interest. This session will discuss pro bono opportunities that exist in China and India for international and local law firms, the state of legal aid, law school clinics and clearinghouses and solutions to access to justice barriers faced by the two countries.

**Moderator:**
- Wenjuan Zhang  |  International Collaborations of Jindal Global Law School  |  India

**Speakers:**
- William Lu  |  Legal Center for NGO (ForNGO)  |  China
- Swathi Sukumar  |  iProbono  |  India
- Jingwei Zhao  |  Beijing Yingke Law Firm  |  China

**C. Impactful Pro Bono Collaborations: Real Results from Better Collaboration**

Commercial lawyers and NGOs normally work in different realms; they speak different languages; they have different work styles. How, then, can
they come together to form an effective partnership that takes into account both perspectives? What other stakeholders should they consider bringing to the table: law schools, companies, multiple law firms and NGOs and even government? This panel will explore what makes a strong pro bono partnership, the stages of developing a multi-stakeholder pro bono project and how to grow a pro bono project into something long-term and with long-lasting impact.

**Moderator:**
• Lindsay Ernst | University of Hong Kong | Hong Kong

**Speakers:**
• Renee Lee | Linklaters | Hong Kong
• Taryn McCamley | King & Wood Mallesons | Australia
• Peter Yang | Empact | Singapore

15:50–16:05 Coffee Break

16:05–17:15 WORKSHOP SESSION 4

A. The Growing Crisis: Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Take a politically sensitive and underserved population like refugees, stick them out of sight and wait. The headlines will pass. It’s wrong, but it works. What can lawyers and NGOs, working together, do to alleviate the abysmal conditions under which many refugees and asylum seekers exist? This panel will share instances of success, lay out a map for those interested in addressing the refugee issues in their home jurisdictions, and examine how NGOs can make better use of pro bono support in their work from advocacy to litigation.

**Moderator:**
• Piya Muqit | Justice Centre Hong Kong | Hong Kong

**Speakers:**
• Trish Cameron | SUAKA – Indonesian Civil Society Network for Refugee Rights Protection | Indonesia
• Dina Puspita Hapsari | The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) | Indonesia
• Nicole Lees | Maurice Blackburn Lawyers | Australia
A. Business & Human Rights: A Closer Look at Labor Issues and Supply Chains

Can lawyers contribute to advancing workers’ rights and sustainability in global supply chains? This panel will explore initiatives, from the NGO perspective, of what lawyers can do. From advising commercial clients on supply chain risk management and supply chain traceability to conducting research and trainings for pro bono clients on legislation governing labor migration, anti-trafficking and freedom of association.

Moderator:
- Seth Gurgel | PILnet | China

Speakers:
- Lowell Chow | Business & Human Rights Resource Centre | Hong Kong
- Jeremy Prepscius | BSR: Business for Social Responsibility | Hong Kong
- Jingjing Zhang | Open Society Foundations | United States
- Mimi Zou | Chinese University of Hong Kong | Hong Kong

B. Spotlighting Pro Bono Trends in Asia

Though lawyers across Asia have long engaged in pro bono — “structured pro bono” — supported by law firms and bar associations is relatively new. This panel will share the latest pro bono developments in several jurisdictions across Asia and highlight exciting trends of cross-border pro bono lawyer networks. The panel will also identify challenges facing the development of structured pro bono in jurisdictions with rich public interest lawyering but little private sector participation.

Moderator:
- Tze-wei Ng | PILnet | Hong Kong

Speakers:
- Purificacion Bernabe | International Pro Bono Alliance | Philippines
- Yu-Shiou Chou | Judicial Reform Foundation | Taiwan
- Bruce Lasky | Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE) | Thailand
- Tep Neth | Vishnu Law Group | Cambodia

C. Bridging Gaps in the Supply of Pro Bono Services and Community Needs

For firms eager to offer pro bono service, every jurisdiction poses different local challenges and barriers, from practice rules, language, to geographical spread and the concentration of legal resources in the urban centers versus
legal needs in rural areas. Another key challenge for firms is how to navigate gender, cultural and sometimes political sensitivities. How can firms tackle and overcome these challenges? Potential collaborations between international law firms and local law firms, as well as between pro bono law firms, public interest lawyers and paralegals will be explored.

**Moderator:**
- Alan Schiffman | Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom | Hong Kong

**Speakers:**
- Alghiffari Aqsa | Lembaga Bantuan Hukum Jakarta (LBH Jakarta), Jakarta Legal Aid Institute | Indonesia
- Rebecca Greenhalgh | Ashurst | United Kingdom
- Giana Lin | Legal Center for NGO ("ForNGO") | China
- Nani Zulminarni | Perempuan Kepala Keluarga (PEKKA), Women Headed Household Empowerment | Indonesia

17:15–18:00 **CLOSING REMARKS**
- Todung Mulya Lubis | Lubis Santosa & Maramis | Indonesia
- Michael Kirby | Former Justice of the High Court of Australia | Australia
- Seth Gurgel | PILnet | China
- Tze-wei Ng | PILnet | Hong Kong

18:00–19:00 Post-Forum Cocktail Hour (cash bar)

19:30–21:30 Post Forum Dinner (Optional)
Location: Kentongan Restaurant
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What is a Pro Bono Clearinghouse?

Pro bono clearinghouses broker free advice from legal professionals for nonprofit organizations in need of legal assistance.

What are the specific goals and principles of a clearinghouse?

- to improve access to justice
- to provide legal advice to all, regardless of race, religion, politics, background or creed
- to promote the rule of law and the use of law as a tool to achieve social justice
- to act independently of governments, funders, law firms, NGOs and other groups
- to raise awareness of pro bono work
- to educate people about the law and development

PILnet’s pro bono clearinghouses

PILnet’s pro bono clearinghouses work with independent nonprofit organizations to connect them to services through its global legal network. They do this by helping NGOs pinpoint their legal needs, and then match these requirements with pro bono lawyers. This expertise is not limited by jurisdiction or region, as PILnet’s clearinghouses can draw on a host of legal skills from all over the world.

What kind of pro bono support is available?

Pro bono support comes in many forms and usually takes place outside of the courtroom. Pro bono projects fall into four broad categories: legal advice and advocacy; legal research; legal analysis and drafting; and legal training. NGOs might require help with a project which combines some, or all of these elements.

How do PILnet’s pro bono clearinghouses work in practice?

In order to ensure the legitimacy of our listings, we begin by having one of our in-house legal officers screen each nonprofit’s credentials. Once approved, PILnet individually works with the nonprofit to help define its legal needs. This cooperation culminates in the creation of a matter, which is a short summary describing the NGO, the request and any other pertinent information, such as the jurisdiction and timeframe. The matters are pooled into a monthly listing that goes out to all of the cooperating law firms.

Joining is easy. If firms or individual lawyers want to receive the list of pro bono opportunities, PILnet will simply add your email address to the distribution list. There is no membership or other fee required. The list is open to all lawyers and law firms who want to review opportunities.

For more information on clearinghouses, you are welcome to consult the online Pro Bono Clearinghouse Manual, developed by PILnet in collaboration with Advocates for International Development (A4ID): [www.probonomanual.org](http://www.probonomanual.org).
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