## ILO - Chulalongkorn University Certificate Course on "Social Protection: Assessment, Costing and Beyond"

From the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2012, the ILO Decent Work Team and the Faculty of Economics, Chulalongkorn University jointly organized an ASEAN certificate course on "Social Protection: Assessment, Costing and Beyond".





This one week course saw the participation of technical staff from relevant governmental and non-governmental institutions, worker and employer organizations, the academia, UN agencies and other development partners involved in the assessment, design, costing and implementation of social protection and social security programmes within the ASEAN region.

The course enabled them to better understand the concepts of social security and the Social Protection Floor, to learn the main steps involved in conducting an Assessment Based National Dialogue (ABND) exercise and to gain expertise on designing and costing of social protection schemes.

It was a good opportunity to share methodologies, tools, experiences and views on country situations, strategies and initiatives in the field of social protection.

## ILO/Chulalongkorn collaboration

This workshop is the second in a series of national and regional training workshops that the ILO is organizing with Chulalongkorn University. The purpose of the collaboration is to enhance the capacity of stakeholders (governments, worker and employer representatives, the academia, social security institutions, civil society) in the field of social security and the Social Protection Floor. The Ministry of Education of Thailand officially acknowledges these certificate courses.

## SPF Good Practices Guide on "Social Protection: Assessment, Costing and Beyond"

In preparation for the course, a Good Practices Guide has been developed based on real country experiences. The Guide deals with the process, tools and methods for social protection assessment and costing.

The Guide contains very diverse resources such as presentations made by resource persons, brochures and factsheets, guidelines to conduct group activities and brainstorming sessions, quizzes and role-plays, as well as matrices and worksheets to be filled by individuals or in groups. A fundamental element of the guide is a set of six case studies which gives ground knowledge to participants on successful practices and challenges and enables them to simulate an ABND exercise. Each case study focuses on the development of social protection policies in the field of health care, HIV-AIDs, maternity, income security for children, working age groups and the elderly.



This Good Practices Guide should be considered as a source book for conducting the Assessment Based National Dialogue exercise and for organising training sessions. It has already been used at national training workshops on the Assessment Based National Dialogue exercise in Cambodia and Indonesia and is now serving as a guide to conduct the Assessment exercise in Lao PDR.

This Good Practices Guide has been developed in two forms:

- Paper format as a binder (printed version)
- Electronic format (CD rom and accessible on line)

It is expected that trainers and practitioners will share additional training documents, exercises and resources with the ILO and that the Good Practices Guide will be progressively enriched with new tools.

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