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## **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TRIPARTITE SEMINAR ON ENHANCING SOCIAL PROTECTION IN AN INTEGRATED ASEAN COMMUNITY**

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### **Preamble**

The tripartite seminar on enhancing social protection in an integrated ASEAN Community was held on the 25-26 November 2015, Jakarta, Indonesia. The representatives of the Senior Officials Meeting on Social Welfare and Development (SOMSWD), Senior Officials Meeting on Labour (SLOM), employers' and workers' organizations of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam,

together with representatives of the ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN Confederation of Employers, ASEAN Trade Unions Council, ASEAN Social Security Association, United Nations agencies, namely the International Labour Organization (ILO), UN Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), UN Funds for Children (UNICEF), World Food Programme (WFP) participated in the Seminar.

Committed to effectively implement the Regional Framework and Plan of Action to Implement the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection (Kuala Lumpur, 2015), Recommendations of the 8th ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (Kuala Lumpur, 2015) and the forthcoming ASEAN Senior Labour Ministers Work Programme (2016-2020) and SOMSWD Strategic Framework on Social Welfare and Development (2016-2020),

### **The participants expressed their willingness to take the following actions to continue promoting social protection and rights of migrant workers in ASEAN:**

- a) Promote extension of social protection coverage to self-employed, small and medium enterprises and informal economy and strengthen social assistance programmes for vulnerable groups; including the design and implementation of measures and programmes for increasing social protection coverage; ensuring the adequacy of benefits, the sustainability of systems and their efficiency;
- b) Develop common and comparable statistical indicators to measure the progress in extending social protection, in line with the indicators of the Sustainable Development Goals on social protection;
- c) Organize capacity development activities of relevant officials in charge of collecting and analyzing social protection core indicators and in preparing national reports; and develop regional guidelines for collecting and analyzing social protection indicators;
- d) Pursue awareness raising campaigns/activities for migrant workers on social protection; improve compliance of social security provisions, and extend the use of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programmes in promoting social protection and decent work for migrant workers;

- e) Establish regional and national initiatives that support the improvement of social protection for migrant workers, including the creation of a technical working group on the extension of social protection to migrant workers and the portability of social security benefits in accordance with existing national laws; develop further research; increase access to information including the use of new technologies; enhance cooperation between tripartite partners and relevant stakeholders, and between sending and receiving countries; assistance to the negotiation of multilateral and bilateral social security agreements.

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