Facing the Public Health Challenges: Southeast Asian Migrants in Europe

Event Brochure
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Programme Details

Public Briefing

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This public event will be an interactive forum to discuss the public health challenges surrounding the international migration. The focus of the discussion will be on the health dimensions of Southeast Asian migrants, particularly Chinese and Philippine migrants, in Europe. A panel discussion with audience participation, following the presentations, will address the barriers to healthcare services encountered by these migrants and draw conclusions regarding prospects for Asia-Europe co-operation to strengthen the health systems for migrants in the two regions.

Wednesday 28 November 2012

Venue
Emerald Room, Tiara Oriental Hotel
7248 Malugay Street, San Antonio Village, 1252 Makati City, The Philippines

Timing
4.30 pm – 6.30 pm

Speakers
Dr Trinidad Osteria, President, Yuchengco Center, De La Salle University, The Philippines
Dr Daniela Carrillo, Researcher, Health and Welfare Sector, Fondazione ISMU, Italy

Moderator
Dr Maruja M.B. Asis, Director of Research and Publications, Scalabrini Migration Center, The Philippines

Panellists
Prof Li Ling, Director, Sun Yat-sen Center for Migrant Health Policy, China
Prof Jose Maria Arcadio C. Malbarosa, Assistant Professorial Lecturer, De La Salle University, The Philippines
Dr Tona Lizana, Head of the Migration and International Projects Division, Public Health Agency, Spain
Ms Valentina Nigrotti, Social Worker, Sacco Hospital Social Services, Italy

Opening remarks by
Mr Junichi Nitta, Second Secretary of the Embassy of Japan in the Philippines

Closing remarks by
Ms Sunkyoung Lee, Project Manager, ASEF Public Health Network, Asia-Europe Foundation

Admission is free

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Trinidad Osteria  
**President**  
Yuchengco Center, De La Salle University

Dr Osteria is the President of the Yuchengco Center of De La Salle University in Manila. She was Regional Adviser on Gender, Population and Development for East and Southeast Asia of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) from 1998 to 2003. Prior to that, she was Director of the Social Development Research Center of De La Salle University. She has a Doctor of Science degree in Demography from Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health. She was Visiting Scientist at the International Nutrition Planning and Policy Programme of Harvard University/Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Project Expert of the Population Division of UNESCAP; and Research Demographer of the International Center for Diarrheal Disease Research in Bangladesh. She has conducted researches on population, health, and gender concerns funded by IDRC, WHO, USAID, AusAID, World Bank, UNICEF, UNIFEM, UNESCO, Japan Foundation, Ford Foundation, and UNESCAP.

Daniela Carrillo  
**Researcher, Health and Welfare Sector**  
Fondazione ISMU

Dr Carrillo is an anthropologist PhD who works with the Ismu Foundation, Milan (Italy), since 2006. In 2000 she earned a Diplome Universitarie in Anthropologie Biologique from the Université de la Méditerranéé, Aix-Marseille II. Her PhD thesis, gained at the University of Florence, analysed the migratory patterns and the reproductive behaviours of immigrants from Ivory Coast and Ghana living in Palermo, Italy. Since 2008, she has been subject curator of Sociology of Differences and Inequalities at the Faculty of Sociology of the Catholic University of Milan and adjoint Professor at the same University. Since 1999, Daniela deals with themes related to the healthcare and integration of the immigrant populations, and have collaborated at the realisation of several studies in this area. She is currently responsible for studies on women’s integration and on the responses of public and private institutions to migrants needs.

Maruja M.B. Asis  
**Director of Research and Publications**  
Scalabrini Migration Center

Dr Asis is Director of Research and Publications at the Scalabrini Migration Center. She is a sociologist who has long been working on international migration and social change in Asia. Her recent research includes the study of the health and well-being of children in the Philippines (which is part of a four-country study on health and migration in Southeast Asia), capacity-building of migrants’ associations and Philippine government institutions as development partners, the impact of government regulations on the protection of foreign domestic workers, the assessment of pre-departure information programs for migrants, and the displacement of Filipino workers from the Middle East and North Africa. She is Co-editor of the Asian and Pacific Migration Journal. She has authored various publications and has participated in many international conferences.
About Panellists

Li Ling
Director
Sun Yat-sen Centre for Migrant Health Policy

Prof Ling has set up extensive and sound collaboration with a great number of international and domestic organisations and institutes, consisting of WHO, UNRISD, IOM, CMB, China’s Ministry of Health, local governments and other research institutions both domestically and internationally. Prof Ling has published over 100 papers in domestic and international journals, and participated in the editing work of more than 20 kinds of teaching materials. Currently, she is also the Vice-Director of Committee of Statistical Theory and Methodology, Chinese Association of Health Information. The research directions of Prof Ling include migrant health, public health policy, statistical method in health management and HIV epidemiology.

Jose Maria Arcadio C. Malbarosa
Assistant Professorial Lecturer
De La Salle University

Cadz Malbarosa is assistant professorial lecturer at the Political Science Department of De La Salle University, Manila. Since 2008, he has taught courses in comparative government and politics, political theory, Philippine government and politics, introduction to politics, and citizenship and governance. He has been doing research in business and economic history, political economy and political theory and has presented his research papers in national and international conferences. He is currently writing his dissertation on the rise of big business in late 19th century Philippines and its colonial legacy for a Ph.D. in Development Studies at the same university. From 1989 to 1991, he did advanced studies in Madrid, Spain. He taught courses in Philosophy from 1991 to 2007.

Tona Lizana
Head of the Migration and International Projects Division
Public Health Agency of Catalonian Government

Tona Lizana is a qualified medical doctor and surgeon. She started her professional career in the clinical area and then became specialised in health management within research and consultancy work. She has developed her knowledge for many years in the health management field, developing projects in Latin America and Africa. From 2006 to 2011 she was responsible for directing the National Immigration Plan in the Health Area at the Catalonian Ministry of Health in Spain. From June 2011 up to now she is responsible for the migration and international health programme at the Public Health Agency of the Catalan Government (Spain).

Valentina Nigrotti
Social Worker
Sacco Hospital Social Services

Valentina Nigrotti obtained the degree in Social Sciences at the Catholic University of Milan and she has been added to the registry of social workers of Lombardy. She worked six years in a retirement community, then since November 2010 she operates in Sacco Hospital, in Milan (Italy). She has always been interested in migrants’ issues, and she is the referent for all the activities regarding the "Foreign Orientation Desk" and for the organisation of the linguistic and cultural mediators’ team.