Social determinants of migrants’ health across Asia and Europe

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The ASEF Public Health Network is a participatory platform which encourages public health dialogue, between actors from health and non-health sectors across Asia and Europe.

The Network activities are primarily classified under three thematic areas:

**Regional Integration and Infectious Diseases**

The Network facilitates collaboration and coordination between Asia and Europe through exchange of information and experience. This is done through research initiatives assessing the strengths and gaps in regional integration, resulting in public health policy recommendations.

**Multi-sector Pandemic Preparedness and Response**

Through the ASEF scenario planning exercise, health and non-health sector representatives look beyond today and address uncertainties around potential pandemics, developing long-term strategies for multi-sector pandemic preparedness and response.

**Public Health Dialogue**

Vulnerable groups such as young people, migrants and ethnic minorities are most affected during any public health crisis. The Network engages them through community-level initiatives so that their voice can be heard by policy makers.
Asia-Europe’s response to health challenges

Considering that Asia and Europe become more interdependent and require closer collaboration and coordination on various issues, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) embarked on creating a unique participatory platform which encourages public health dialogue in Asia and Europe. Through its Public Health Network, ASEF provides space for an array of actors from health and non-health sectors to share their knowledge and experience. ASEF’s added value to the Asia-Europe dialogue on health is: 1) addressing challenges with an Asia-Europe perspective; and 2) identifying opportunities for further collaboration on public health issues. In order to maximise this value, the Network aims at contributing to policy development process and to implementation of evidence-based policies and programmes. To this end, facts, figures and analysis, based on reliable and valid research data, are required. The Network also saw the need for the exchange of knowledge and experience between researchers to enhance the bi-regional collaboration.

Cross-regional approach to health and migration

As a common public health challenge that both Asia and Europe face, the ASEF Public Health Network has prioritised the issue of health and migration. Migrants, who contribute to global economic and social development, are often prone to various risk factors of health, depending on types of health systems that they experience throughout the migration process. And how these systems, policies and practices address social determinants and needs of migrants could result in having great impact on the overall public health in communities of origin, transit and destination. ASEF Public Health Network will address these issues through a multi-disciplinary and multi-sector approach.
About ASEF Research Exchange Workshop Series

The ASEF Public Health Network will organise a series of research exchange workshops from 2012 to 2013. First two workshops will be organised in March and September 2012 respectively. A public conference will be held in 2013 to present the initial outcomes of the workshops.

The 1st research exchange workshop will take place on 8 – 9 March 2012 in Barcelona, hosted by Casa Asia. It will explore the answers to the following questions:

- What are the social, economic, cultural, structural and environmental determinants that affect migrants’ health, in particular terms of health equity?
- What are the current initiatives and policies taken at multiple levels to address the issues on migration and health in Asia and Europe? What are the challenges to migrants’ access to health?
- What are the areas that require further actions and research through Asia-Europe cooperation?

The workshop will provide an avenue for exchanging research outcomes among Asian and European researchers dealing with international migration and health. In addition, participation of multi-disciplinary and multi-sector stakeholders will strengthen partnerships between various sectors going beyond the health sector. The outcomes of the workshop will be compiled into a report and the report will be disseminated to the relevant stakeholders in Asia and Europe.
Programme Details

Main topic:
Social determinants of migrants’ health across Asia and Europe

Objectives:
- Provide a better understanding of state of health of Asian migrants in Europe
- Share the information and experience of multiple stakeholders in addressing migrants’ health issues
- Produce recommendations for Asia-Europe cooperation on migration and health

Day 1
Thursday 8 March
Venue: Samarcanda

Registration
Timing: 08h30 – 09h00

Welcome Remarks
Timing: 09h00 – 9h15
By Mr Rafael Bueno, Director of Politics and Society, Casa Asia

Session 1 -
Overview of Migration and Health in Asia and Europe

Discussion points
- Paradigm shift in the issue of migration and health
- Migration trends in Asia and Europe, and their implications for the management of infectious diseases

Chair
Dr Manuel Carballo, Executive Director, International Centre for Migration, Health and Development, ICMHD

Presentation
Timing: 09h15 – 09h45

Topic
Paradigm shifts in the discourse on migration and health

By Prof David Ingleby, Emeritus Professor of Intercultural Psychology, Utrecht University

Question and Answers
Timing: 09h45 – 10h15

Break
10h15 – 10h30
Programme Details

**Presentation**
Timing: 10h30 – 11h30

**Topic**
Migration in Asia: Trends and Challenges

By **Mr Mohammad Harun-or-Rashid**, Regional Coordinator, Coordination of Action Research on AIDS and Mobility, CARAM Asia

**Topic**
Main social determinants of health of migrant populations in Europe

By **Dr Ursula Karl-Trummer**, Executive Director, Center for Health and Migration

**Question and Answers**
Timing: 11h30 – 12h10

**Conclusion of Session 1**
Timing: 12h10 – 12h30

**Lunch Break**
12h30 – 14h00

**Session 2**
**State of Health of Asian Migrants in Europe**

**Discussion points**
- Patterns of infectious diseases in migrant populations
- Determinants that affect migrants’ health in both sending and receiving countries
- Concomitant health outcomes of migrants: health literacy, health beliefs, health practices, help-seeking behaviour such as health service utilisation pattern and perceptions of health systems and providers etc.
- Issues of migrants’ inclusion in the host community and their implications on migrants’ health
  - To what extent does migrants’ assimilation or non-integration in the countries of destination affect their health state as well as that of general population?

**Chair**
**Dr Poonam Dhavan**, Public Health Specialist, International Organization for Migration, IOM
Programme Details

**Presentation**
Timing: 14h00 – 15h00

**Topic**
Outcomes of the ASEF-commissioned joint research, “Public Health Challenges in the Era of Migration: The Health Dimension of Southeast Asian Migration to Europe”

By [Dr Trinidad Osteria](mailto:trinidad.osteria@yuchengco.de), President, Yuchengco Centre, De La Salle University
By [Dr Daniela Carrillo](mailto:daniela.carrillo@ismu.it), Researcher, Health and Welfare Sector, Fondazione ISMU

**Question and Answers**
Timing: 15h00 – 15h30

**Break**
15h30 – 16h00

**Presentation**
Timing: 16h00 – 16h20

**Topic**
Contraception and abortion patterns in Pakistani migrant women in Barcelona

By [Dr Elvira Méndez](mailto:elvira.mendez@asociaciondecaesalud.org), General Director, Health and Family Association

**Question and Answers**
Timing: 16h20 – 16h40

**Conclusion of Session 2**
16h40 – 17h00
Day 2  
Friday 9 March
Venue: Tagore’s Auditorium

Registration
Timing: 08h30 – 09h00

Session 3 -  
Multi-stakeholder Response to Migrants’ Health Issues and Main Challenges

Discussion points
- Analysis of current policies at multiple levels aimed to address migrants’ health issues
  - What are the most recent initiatives and policies taken across Asia and Europe to strengthen migrants’ access to health care at the cross-regional, regional and national levels? To what extent do these initiatives address the health needs of migrants?
  - Besides these initiatives, what kind of barriers do the migrants still have to face in terms of health access?
- Involvement of civil society in enhancing migrants’ access to health care
  - What is the role of civil society actors in addressing the migrant’s health issues? How do they work and which kind of barriers do they face? How do they cooperate with the public institutions?

Chair
Dr Maruja M.B. Asis, Director of Research and Publications, Scalabrini Migration Center

Presentation
Timing: 09h00 – 10h00

By Dr Poonam Dhavan, Public Health Specialist, International Organization for Migration, IOM

By Dr Isabel de la Mata, Principal Advisor for Public Health, Directorate-General for Health and Consumers, European Commission

Question and Answers
Timing: 10h00 – 10h30

Break
10h30 – 10h45
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Presentation
Timing: 10h45 - 11h45

By Dr Elia Rosalina Sunityo, Deputy Director for Facilitation of Migrant Health, National Board For Placement and Protection of Indonesian Overseas Workers

Topic
The role of civil society in securing access to health care services for undocumented migrants in Europe

By Ms Kadri Soova, Advocacy Officer, Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants, PICUM

Question and Answers
Timing: 11h45 - 12h15

Conclusion of Session 3
Timing: 12h15 - 12h30

Lunch Break
10h30 - 10h45

Session 4 -
Recommendations for Asia-Europe Cooperation on Migration and Health

Discussion points
- Identification of areas which require (further) research
- Recommendation of possible actions for Asia and Europe cooperation to tackle the issues related to migration and health

Moderators

Group 1: Dr Phua Kai Hong, Associate Professor, Health Policy & Management, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Group 2: Ms Aleksandra Chzanowska, Coordinator of the Foreigners Section, Association for Legal Intervention

Summary of Main Conclusions of Previous Sessions
By Dr Vincent Rollet, Associate Researcher, French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (CEFC)

Timing: 14h00 - 14h20
Programme Details

**Working Group Discussions**
Timing: 14h20 – 15h15

**Break**
Timing: 15h15 – 15h45

**Working Group Discussions**
Timing: 15h45 – 16h30

**Presentation of Recommendation**
Timing: 16h30 – 16h50

**Closing remarks**
16h50 – 17h00

*By Ms Sol Iglesias, Director for Intellectual Exchange, Asia-Europe Foundation*
Dr Manuel Carballo
Executive Director
International Centre for Migration, Health and Development (ICMHD)

Dr Carballo is an epidemiologist and Executive Director of the International Centre for Migration, Health and Development (ICMHD) in Geneva. He trained in the UK at Leeds University and in the USA at the Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, and later at CDC in the Epidemic Investigation Service. He holds a position of Professor of Clinical Public Health at Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health in New York and Adjunct Professor at Tulane University's Payson Center for International Development in New Orleans. Prior to joining ICMHD he worked with WHO in a number of countries, and was also responsible for the 1981 landmark WHO International Study on Patterns of Breast Feeding and Quality of Breast Milk and then the WHO/UNICEF International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes. Dr Carballo has been responsible for a number of international research, training and policy initiatives in the area of migration as it affects HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, type 2 diabetes, and maternal and child health and diabetes. He has served as advisor to the EU, the Council of Europe, ECDC, WHO and UNFPA. In recent years he has led health assessment missions to Afghanistan, Iraq and Palestine.

Dr Poonam Dhavan
Public Health Specialist
International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Dr Dhavan works as a migration health officer, global coordinator for health research and epidemiology activities at IOM. She is based at the Manila Global Administrative Centre in the Philippines. In this role, she advises on strategic direction of IOM in migration health research; guides various regional offices and missions in meeting standards for use of epidemiologic methods; advises on cost-effective methods to gather health data from migrant populations. Her role also oversees IOM’s knowledge management on migration health, expands partnerships and external relations on migration health and serves as a public health thematic specialist for Missions and partners on migration health issues. Prior to joining IOM, Dr Dhavan worked as research coordinator at the University of Texas School of Public Health, USA; Consultant for the Public Health Foundation of India and as Technical Officer at the World Health Organization, Geneva. Trained as a medical doctor, Dr Dhavan has specialized in public health administration and global health, epidemiology.

Dr Dhavan will also be the Speaker for this workshop on 9 March during Session 3 (for more information please refer to the Programme Details above).
Dr 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 Speakers

Prof David Ingleby
Utrecht University

Prof Ingleby is Emeritus Professor of Intercultural Psychology at ERCOMER (European Research Centre on Migration and Ethnic Relations), Utrecht University. He worked for the Medical Research Council in Cambridge and London, as well as lecturing at Cambridge University. In 2007 he was Willy Brandt Memorial Professor at the School of International Migration and Ethnic Relations, Malmö University. His main fields of research are health and social care in multicultural societies, forced migration and health, and child development in different social and cultural contexts. He has been involved in many Europe-wide collaborative projects on migrant health and has recently acted as Consultant to the Council of Europe’s Expert Committee on Mobility, Migration and Access to Health Care, as well as advising the WHO Regional Office for Europe on migration- and ethnicity-linked health inequities.

Mr Mohammad Harun-or-Rashid
Regional Coordinator
Coordination of Action Research on AIDS and Mobility
CARAM Asia

Mr Harun-or-Rashid, regional coordinator at CARAM Asia is based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with over 10 years’ experience in advocating for human rights and HIV/AIDS and health. He has written many publications on migration and human right violations, and one of his writings was published in 'Access Denied' (2004). He has also presented the issue of human rights, migration and health in many international, regional, and local forums. He holds a Master’s Degree in International and Strategic Alliance from University of Malaya with a dissertation thesis on National Policy and Bangladeshi Labour Migration in Malaysia: Political, Security and Social-economic Implications. Later with exceptional background and experiences in human rights, he was admitted as a scholar for the Human Rights Advocacy Program for year 2006 at Columbia University in New York City where he delivered several lectures on labour rights and human rights violations in the context of South Asia and Southeast Asia.

Dr Daniela Carrillo
Researcher, Health and Welfare Sector
Fondazione ISMU

Dr Carrillo is an anthropologist PhD and works with the ISMU Foundation since 2006. She deals with themes related to the health field in the immigrant population since 1999, and has collaborated on the realization of several studies on this area. In particular, she is responsible for studies on women health and the responses of public and private institution to migrants needs.
Dr Trinidad Osteria  
President, Yuchengco Centre  
De La Salle University Executive Director

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. Her B.S. (Hygiene/Public Health) and MA (Demography) degrees were obtained from the University of the Philippines. Dr. Osteria’s experience in research includes being consultant in the ASEAN+3 research on gender issues in emerging infectious diseases; Visiting Research Fellow of the Institute of Developing Economies in Tokyo on Filipino migrants in Japan; and Fellow and Research Coordinator of Urban and Women’s Health Projects in Asia and the Pacific at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore. She also served as consultant to the UNICEF/UNFPA/WHO Maternal and Child Health Project in Vanuatu; the International Development Research Center’s (Canada) projects dealing with social sector decentralization, socio-cultural determinants of maternal health, and women in health development in Southeast Asia; and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Office of Population, Health and Nutrition in Manila on evaluation of reproductive health and family planning programs. 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.

Dr Elia Rosalina Sunityo  
Deputy Director for Facilitation of Migrant Health  
National Board For Placement and Protection of Indonesian Overseas Workers

Elia Rosalina Sunityo is Deputy Director for Facilitation of Migrant Health in National Board For Placement and Protection of Indonesian Overseas Workers. Many of her works include giving presentations and workshops both in national and international scale. In 2010, she did a workshop about HIV AIDS for Migrant Workers in Thailand and Malaysia. She started her career as a medical staff in a primary health care. After that she worked at hospitals and later in Ministry of Health.
About Speakers

Dr Isabel de la Mata  
Principal Advisor for Public Health  
Directorate-General for Health and Consumers  
European Commission

Dr Mata was born in Bilbao (Spain). She graduated in Medicine at the University of Basque Country in 1983 and holds post-graduate degrees from the University of Leuven and Paris VI. She is specialist in Preventive Medicine and Public Health. She worked at the Ministry of Health of Spain and at the Regional Departments of Health in the Basque Country and in Madrid. She has an experience working with International Organisations, such as the WHO, Pan American Health Organisation and Inter-American Development Bank. From 2004 until February 2008 she worked at the Permanent Representation of Spain to the EU. Since 1 March 2008 she works as Principal Adviser for Public Health at Directorate SANCO – Health & Consumers.

Ms Kadri Soova  
Advocacy Officer  
Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants (PICUM)

Kadri joined the PICUM team as a Project Officer in October 2009. She became Advocacy Officer in November 2010. Previously she worked as an Adviser on social rights for the Chancellor of Justice of Estonia. She specialized in children’s rights and also worked as a consultant for SOS Children’s Villages in Estonia. Kadri studied Law at the University of Tartu in Estonia and did her Master’s Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation at the Inter-University Centre in Venice and University of Padua in Italy. Her academic studies were focused on the rights of migrants.

Dr Ursula Karl-Trummer  
Executive Director  
Center for Health and Migration

Dr Karl-Trummer, Ph.D, MSc. Sociologist with a specialisation on Sociology of Health and Medicine, Health and Migration, and Organisational Development. She is Head of the Center for Health and Migration, Vienna, and Senior Researcher at the Vienna University of Economics and Business. She lectures at various universities, and acts as independent expert and consultant for the European Commission, the German Ministry for Education and Science and for the Norwegian Research Council. Beside her scientific work, she works as consultant and coach organisations and individuals, specialising in diversity management and management of paradox.
Dr Elvira Méndez
General Director
Health and Family Association (Asociación Salud y Familia)

Dr Méndez is specialist in preventive medicine and public health. She has worked for years in the development of preventive services and policies in the health field. She has maintained a steady line of intervention aimed at improving the quality of life of vulnerable women and their families and also in promoting healthy lifestyles. She is General Director of Health and Family Association and she was associated professor of Social and Political Sciences Department at University Pompeu Fabra of Barcelona (1991-2011). She is author of publications on tobacco prevention, improving reproductive health and reduction of health inequalities. During the last years she has managed and contributed on numerous research-action euro-projects in the field of migration and health.
About Moderators

Dr Phua Kai Hong  
**Associate Professor, Health Policy & Management**  
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Dr Hong is a tenured professor at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, where he lectures in the graduate programs in public policy, public health and business administration. He was previously Associate Professor and Head, Health Care Division and Head, Health Services Research Unit, Department of Community, Occupational & Family Medicine, Faculty of Medicine and Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Institute of Policy Studies, Singapore. He graduated with honours cum laude from Harvard University and received graduate degrees from the Harvard School of Public Health (Master’s in Health Services Administration & Population Sciences) and the London School of Economics & Political Science (PhD in Social Administration specializing in Health Economics). He was the recipient of a Harvard College Scholarship, the Sigma Scholarship from the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, and an NUS Overseas Graduate Scholarship. Dr Phua received The Outstanding Young Person (TOYP) award in 1992 for his contributions to health policy and community service in Singapore.

Ms Aleksandra Chrzanowska  
**Coordinator of the Foreigners Section**  
Association for Legal Intervention

Ms Chrzanowska graduated of Cultural Studies at Warsaw University (diploma on Cultural identity of the Chechen refugees in Poland). For a year (2005-2006) she worked as an interpreter during the Doctors Without Borders' mission providing psychological assistance to asylum seekers in Poland. Presently she is a board member and coordinator of the Section for Foreigners of the Association for Legal Intervention (SIP) working with forced migrants as interpreter and integration/intercultural assistant. In 2009-2011 she coordinated a research project on undocumented migrants’ and asylum seekers’ access to healthcare in Poland as part of the HUMA network project coordinated by Doctors of the World France. She is also the author of a number of publications on migrants’ integration and cross-culturality.
Dr Vincent Rollet
Associate Researcher
French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (CEFC)

Dr Rollet, PhD (Sciences Po Paris), is visiting researcher at the French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (CEFC) and assistant professor at Wenzao Ursulines College of Languages, Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Author of several articles and book chapters on health and foreign policy in Europe and Asia, he is now pursuing his research on global and regional health diplomacy.
About Participants

Ms Marie Lamy
Research Associate
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy

Ms Lamy is a Research Associate at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, working on Regional Health Governance in ASEAN and the EU. Marie holds a degree in Politics and International Relations and a Master in Public International Law. Before joining the Lee Kuan Yew School, Marie worked alongside the EU institutions in Brussels, as a Project Manager for International Partnership for Human Rights. Marie previously interned with grassroots NGOs in Northern Thailand and in South Korea - dealing with Human Rights promotion and education. Her research interests lie in the field of health governance, the right to health, rights education, as well as regional politics and governance.

Dr Sirkka Komulainen
Senior Researcher
Institute of Migration

Dr Komulainen is a senior researcher at the Institute of Migration. She obtained a PhD in sociology at the University of Surrey, Guildford, United Kingdom in 2004 on children’s rights issues. She has expertise in research and policy on migration and families. She has completed several research projects in the UK between 2000-2009 on children’s health issues, two of them at the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health. She has recently completed a research study on multiculturalism in Finland. A repatriate in Finland since 2010, she has been actively engaged in Finnish migration academic, policy and practice debates.

Mr Ramón Esteso Mesas
Technical Manager of the Social Inclusion Programmes
Doctors of the World Spain

Mr Esteso, graduated with a bachelor of Social Work and a Master Degree on International Solidarity Action from the Carlos III University, is specialised since 1997 in health immigration programmes having acquainted most of the experience in Doctors of the World Spain and the Spanish Red Cross in Albania. He is a co-author of a wide variety of publications, including for example the 1st and 2nd European Observatory on Access to Healthcare of Undocumented Migrants and the Guide for the Identification, Referral and Protection of victims of sexual exploitation-aimed traffic in Spain.
About Participants

Prof Walter Devillé
International and Migrant Health
NIVEL (Netherlands Institute for Health Services Research)

Prof Dr Devillé, MD, PhD, DTMH (°1952) is a medical doctor epidemiologist. He obtained his PhD in 2001 on the subject “Evidence in diagnostic research. Reviewing diagnostic accuracy: from search to guidelines”. In 2008 he was appointed associated professor “Refugees and Health” at the University of Amsterdam. As senior researcher he leads at NIVEL (Netherlands Institute of Health Services Research) the research programme International and Migrant Health. His research is mainly dealing with accessibility of health care for vulnerable groups, the migrant as client in health care and self-management in migrant patients. He was the president of the EUPHA section on Migrant Health from 2005 until 2011 and President of the Scientific Committees of the 2nd and 3rd Conferences on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health in Europe. He teaches epidemiology, research methods and diversity in health and health care use at four universities in postgraduate and M.Sc. courses. He worked for 10 years overseas in Public Health in Africa and Asia and worked for the past 10 years in the field of International Public Health and Migrant Health. From 1993 until 2001 he supported as methodologist statistical analyses at the Vrije University Amsterdam for the departments of family and internal medicine. Since 2001 he joined NIVEL. He is (co-) author of more than 100 scientific papers.

Dr S Irudaya Rajan
Head, Research Unit on International Migration
Centre for Development Studies

Dr Rajan, PhD, is Chair Professor, Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs (MOIA), Research Unit on International Migration at the Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. He has twenty five years of research experience in Kerala; has coordinated six major migration surveys (1998. 2003, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2011) in Kerala (with Professor K C Zachariah), Goa migration survey 2008, and has published extensively in national and international journals on social, economic and demographic implications on international migration. He currently holds several projects on international migration with European Commission, International Labour Organization, Asian Development Bank, World Bank, International Organization of Migration, and Rockefeller Foundation; works closely with the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs (MOIA), Government of India, Department of Non-Resident Keralite Affairs, Government of Kerala, Gujarat State Non-Resident Gujaratis’ Foundation, Government of Gujarat and the Department of Non-Resident Indian Affairs, Government of Goa. He is the coordinator of the Kerala State Development Report prepared for the Planning Commission, Government of India and also member of the National Migration Policy drafting group appointed by the MOIA. He is the editor of the Annual Series India Migration Report brought out by Routledge.
About Participants

Ms Pande Ketut Trimayuni
Associate Lecturer, Department of International Relations
University of Indonesia

Ms Trimayuni has been working on the issues of migration, health and gender equality for many years as a researcher, lecturer and activist. She got a fellowship from the Asian Public Intellectuals (API Fellowship) to conduct research on International Migration and HIV/AIDS in four countries (Indonesia, The Philippines, Thailand and Malaysia) from 2001 to 2002. Her M.Sc dissertation at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) was on Transnational Care Work of Migrant Workers. From August 1999 to present, Pande is an associate lecturer of Department of International Relations, University of Indonesia. Beside her teaching and research works, Pande provided consultancy works for organisations such as: the Indonesian Commission on Violence against Women (Komnas Perempuan), International Labor Organisation (ILO), the ASEAN Foundation, CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency), World Bank, GTZ/GIZ, Uplift International, and Aim for Human Rights. She participated as speaker, facilitator and participant for various activities at the local, national and international levels.

Dr Annavittoria Sarli
Researcher, Economy and Labour Market Sector
Fondazione ISMU

Dr Sarli gained a PhD in Human Sciences in 2011, from the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, with a thesis titled “Il disagio della cura. I vissuti professionali delle assistenti familiari migranti occupate in Italia” (“The difficulties of caring. The professional experiences of female migrant carers working in Italy”). She earned a master’s degree in Anthropology in 2007, from the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia. Since 2008 she has collaborated with the ISMU Foundation (Initiatives and Studies on Multi-ethnicity) in Milan, working as a researcher. Since 2010 she has been subject curator of Sociology of Differences and Inequalities at the Faculty of Sociology of the Catholic University of Milan. Since 2009 she has been subject curator of Demo-Ethno-Anthropological Disciplines at the Medical School of Parma University. Since 2009 she is also the subject curator of Sociology of Interethnic Relations at the Faculty of Sociology of the Catholic University of Milan. She is the author of several scientific and informative publications.
About Participants

Ms Jennifer Branscombe
Consultant on Migration, Health and Human Rights
UNDP Asia-Pacific Regional Centre

Ms Branscombe has been working for the past two years with the United Nations Development Program in Bangkok, as part of the Secretariat of the Joint United Nations Initiative on Mobility and Health in South East Asia (JUNIMA). JUNIMA is a joint initiative of UN organisations, ASEAN governments, the ASEAN Secretariat and civil society organisations, working to promote universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support for mobile and migrant populations in South East Asia. Alongside her work for JUNIMA, Jennifer is also currently producing for UNDP a study on Migration, Health and Human Rights in the ASEAN region.

Dr Maria Roura
Social Scientist
Barcelona Centre for International Health Research (CRESIB)

Holder of a PhD in Sociology by the University of Barcelona, Dr Roura, have specialized in the area of social determinants of health with a particular focus on behavioural public health interventions. For more than ten years she has gained experience in the areas of health systems and community-based research in a diversity of socio-cultural settings including the Balkans, Central America, the former Soviet Union and Sub-Saharan Africa. She has been visiting researcher at the National Centre for Psychosocial Factors and Health in Sweden and the National Institute for Preventive Medicine in Russia and conducted an internship at the World Health Organization headquarters in Geneva. Between July 2006 and July 2010 she set-up and coordinated a qualitative research unit at the Tanzanian National Institute for Medical Research (Mwanza) and conducted a diversity of studies aiming at monitoring the context of ART roll-out at a nearby semi-rural area. She is a member of the editorial board of the journal Aids Patient Care and STDs and contributed to the LSHTM Public Health MSc Degree by Distance Learning as tutor for the module “Health Care Evaluation”. She is currently working at CRESIB in the field of migrants’ health seeking behaviours, as part of the COHEMI initiative.
Mr Ramazan Salman  
Executive Managing Director  
Ethno-Medical Center

Mr Salman sociologist is a psychologist and expert for health and education. He has a Turkish background, he is born in Istanbul in 1960, first came to Germany in 1966 as the son of migrant labourers. After college, he founded the Ethno-Medical Centre e.V. (EMZ) in Germany of which he has been the executive managing director since 1992. With his project “MiMi: With Migrants for Migrants – Transcultural Health and Education” he has developed one of the key technologies for the integration of migrants into society. The approach of MiMi has been successfully transferred to other fields, for example, education or wealth formation (financial literacy) for migrants. Salman is member of Chancellor Merkel’s Federal Integration Summit and he is member of the European Council’s “Committee of Experts on Mobility, Migration and Access to Health Care” since 2009. Salman was awarded the Federal Cross of Merit, in 2006 he was appointed member of the International Ashoka society as „Social Entrepreneur.“ In December 2008 the Schwab Foundation elected Salman as “Social Entrepreneur of the Year 2008” and invited him as expert to the World Economic Forum in Davos. He was invited expert to the Rhodes Dialogue of Civilisations 2009 and at Harvard University in summer 2009 and 2010 and to the World Economic Forum in Brussels 2010 and in China (Tianjin) 2010.

He is member of the Steering Committee of the “European Scientific and Technical Network on Health, Migration and People Living in Poverty (ENHMP)” and has collaborations in further research projects with the University of Bielefeld, the Medical College Hanover, the Institute and Polyclinic for Industrial and Environmental Medicine at the University of Munich and the Venice Office of WHO Regional Office for Europe - Poverty and Health Technical Consultation Secretariat. In addition, Salman works as a lecturer at a number of universities in Heidelberg (Centre for Social Innovation), Hanover, St. Gallen, Zurich, Rennes and Pecs. He has authored seven practice compendiums on integration, policy of migration and health promotion for migrants.

Professor Yuko Ohara-Hirano  
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