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GREETINGS FROM ILGA ASIA

Dear members, friends and colleagues,

Two years have passed since our last ILGA Asia conference and it’s time for all of us to meet again. We are pleased to welcome you to the 7th ILGA Asia Conference to be hosted by our member Rainbow Community Kampuchea in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Many things happened within those 2 years, with different impacts on our LGBTIQ community across the Asian continent. We lament the loss of our friends, our comrades in Bangladesh, and the violence hitting many of our members in Indonesia, Iran, and Malaysia. We are outraged by the injustice done unto us by the law and the institutions. Yet, we share the joy of our friends in Taiwan over their victory on marriage equality. We share the feeling of happiness when more and more of our trans friends gaining gender recognition and protection by the law. In an interconnected world we are living in, these events have an influence on our life, our emotion, our fear and happiness.

Amidst this time of changes and turbulence, we see the need for us to stay strong together, to show our solidarity, and to be there for each other. We are angered, we are outraged. Yet hate won’t do anything for us. Two wrongs won’t make a right. We must maintain the compassion and kindness towards humanity, and to ourselves. This message is highlighted through the theme of the conference this year: “United for Love.”

This conference is a chance for us to review the adversities against our community during the past years and to strategize for our actions. This is a chance for us to strengthen the solidarity amongst us LGBTIQ activists in Asia for a strong and united regional movement. More importantly, this is a safe space for us to be ourselves, without fear and prejudices.

We are very honored to be hosted in this Kingdom of Wonders, so we would like to express our appreciation to RoCK for having us. Please make the best of your time in Cambodia and meet all the wonderful people coming here for one whole week.

Hiker Chiu and Manisha Dhakal, Co-chairs of ILGA Asia
On behalf of the ILGA Asia Executive Board
GREETINGS FROM ROCK

Everyone in Rainbow Community Kampuchea (RoCK) would like to warmly welcome you all to the first-ever ILGA Asia conference to take place in Cambodia.

We are excited to have you all here and we look forward to learning from you and to sharing with you on how life is and can be for LGBTIQ people in Asia and here in the Kingdom of Cambodia. We hope that while you are here in Cambodia you will have opportunities to experience and enjoy our culture.

Our programme offers some opportunities to you to do that and we encourage you to participate fully in the coming days. RoCK and others working on LGBTIQ issues here in Cambodia have achieved positive progress in some parts of our journey towards equality of recognition and respect for Cambodian LGBTIQ citizens. This journey involves much hard work, strong courage and commitment by Cambodian LGBTIQ people and their allies and always lots of hope, vision and belief in a better future and our power to make our future.

We look forward to being together with you in the coming days so that we can share our solidarity with you all as you are also on similar journeys where you live. Thank you for coming to Cambodia.

Let's become friends and allies together!

Pisey Ly, Board of Directors
Lyno Vuth, Acting Coordinator
Collette O'Regan, Board of Directors
ABOUT ILGA ASIA

The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association (ILGA) is a worldwide federation of organisations committed to equal human rights for LGBTI people and their liberation from all forms of discrimination. Founded in 1978, it enjoys consultative status at the United Nations, where it speaks and lobbies on behalf of almost 1,200 member organisations from 131 countries. ILGA has regional bodies in Asia, Africa, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, North America, and Oceania.

The Asia Region was first established at a regional conference in Mumbai in 2002. ILGA Asia Regional Conference is the highest level decision making body of ILGA Asia, taking place every other year, alternating with the ILGA World Conference. One of the main aims of establishing a regional board is to create opportunities for activists in Asia to network, pool their resources and benefit from the experiences of others who face the same challenges in their own countries. Currently, ILGA Asia covers East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, and West Asia.

As ILGA’s largest regional body bringing together approximately 200 member organizations from over 20 countries and territories, ILGA Asia’s administrative office is in Bangkok, Thailand. The biennial ILGA Asia Regional Conference is the largest LGBTI conference in Asia, with almost 400 people participating in the 6th conference in Taipei, Taiwan in 2015.

The current Executive Board of ILGA Asia was elected by members in 2015, with the term lasting until the following Asian conference, which is the 7th ILGA Asia Conference in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. They are:

- Hiker Chiu
  Organization Intersex International - Chinese (Oi Chinese), Taiwan
- Manisha Dhakal
  Blue Diamond Society (BDS), Nepal
- Minhee Ryu
  Korean Society of Law and Policy on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI LAW), South Korea
- Shakhawat Hossain
  Boys of Bangladesh (BoB), Bangladesh
- Vica Larasati
  Youth Interfaith Forum on Sexuality (YIFos), Indonesia

ABOUT ROCK

Rainbow Community Kampuchea (RoCK) was a voluntary group formed in 2009 by nine LGBT activists to engage with organising and promoting rights for Cambodian LGBTIQ people. In the same year, RoCK worked with partners to launch LGBT Pride Week, an annual event that eventually transformed into a week-long celebration of educational, community building, and entertaining events for the whole LGBTIQ community and their friends. RoCK volunteers have continued to work in LGBT organising across the country while also taking on counseling cases.

Seeing the need to have an organisational structure to better support and promote Cambodian LGBT rights, RoCK registered as a Non-Government Organisation in 2014, becoming the first organisation in Cambodia led by LGBTIQ people and fully dedicated to LGBTIQ rights and advocacy.

As a member of ILGA in Cambodia, RoCK will host the 7th ILGA Asia Regional Conference in collaboration with other national partners.
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**How gay is Pakistan?**

Mawaan Rizwan asks what life is really like for gay people in Pakistan, where homosexuality is illegal and considered by some as a disease. In this revealing journey to the country of his birth, Mawaan meets people living gay and transgender lives despite constant fear of persecution. He discovers a fascinating and shocking private world where sex between men is surprisingly common, but where LGBT rights are limited. During his time in the country he’s also offered a miracle herbal cure for his own homosexuality.

Muhammad Siddique Wali, Humraz Male Health Society, Pakistan

Kami Choudhry, Sub Rang Society, Pakistan
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2017

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
OPENING CEREMONY
Grand Ballroom

Welcome remarks
Hiker Chiu and Manisha Dhakal, Co-chairs of ILGA Asia
Lyno Vuth, Acting Director of RoCK

Remarks from Guests of Honor
H.E. Chin Malin, Cambodian Human Rights Committee
H.E. George Edgar, Ambassador of the European Union to Cambodia
H.E. Ms. Maria Sargren, Swedish Ambassador to Cambodia
François Croquette, French Ambassador for Human Rights

Opening performance
Prumsodun Ok

Report from ILGA Asia
Hiker Chiu, Manisha Dhakal, Minhee Ryu and Vica Larasati, Executive Board of ILGA Asia

Election of the Chairing Pool

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
PLENARY SESSION 1
United for Love - The race towards marriage equality in Asia
Grand Ballroom

During 2016 and 2017, the Marriage Equality Movement in Taiwan reached an unprecedented peak. In May 24th, 2017, the Justices of the Constitutional Court announced the constitutional interpretation implying that the parliament should amend current laws to achieve marriage equality. While in Nepal, it's been nearly a decade since the Supreme Court decided that the country should explore legalization of same-sex marriage, but little has been done. This plenary invites activists coming from Nepal, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan and Viet Nam to review the progress of marriage equality movement in their respective country, and the strategies they are using.

Moderator: Cheyleaphy Heng, Rainbow Community of Kampuchea, Cambodia

Nhuun Yodmuang, The Rainbow Sky Association of Thailand (RSAT), Thailand
Bobby Tamang, Blue Diamond Society, Nepal
Sean Sih-Cheng Du, Taiwan Tongzhi Hotline Association, Taiwan
Ngo Le Phuong Linh, ICS Center, Viet Nam
Nara Lee, Solidarity for LGBT Human Rights of Korea (Haeng Sung In), South Korea
CONCURRENT SESSION A

Tonle Sap

[A1] The UN Special Procedures: strategic allies for change in Asia

The workshop is aimed at providing participants with basic information about one of the UN human rights mechanisms, namely the Special Procedures. At the panel, we will be sharing examples of Asian defenders’ engagement with SP mandate holders through the opportunities related to thematic reports, country visits and communications to advocate for LGBTI rights in Asia.

Kseniya Kirichenk, ILGA, Switzerland
Shale Ahmed, Bandhu Social Welfare Society, Bangladesh
Declan, PELANGI Campaign, Malaysia
Cianán B. Russell, Asia Pacific Transgender Network
Zhan Chiam, ILGA

Tonle Basaac

[A2] Queering families: the emergence of diverse families as political allies in LGBTIQ activism

The workshop will explore the potential role of families of LGBTIQ people can be expanded to action in a broader movement for social justice in Southeast Asia. It will elaborate how initiatives for building family acceptance can contribute to the achievement of various political goals related to SOGIESC. The session will explore best practices and various strategies, using Viet Nam’s Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), Singapore’s Pink Dot, and other projects as case studies.

Ryan Silverio, ASEAN SOGIE Caucus, The Philippines
Natalino Soares Ormai Guterres, Codiva, Timor-Leste
Ryan Koriari, Arus Pelangi, Indonesia
Maroz R. Ramos, GALANG, The Philippines
Nguyen Thi Lang Mong, Parents and Family of LGBT People (PFLAG), Viet Nam
[A3] Overview of challenges facing intersex community in Asia

This session reviews a number of challenges facing intersex people in Asia, where awareness on the issues and visibility of the intersex community is still low. The session in particular will look at the first report on intersex people in Bangladesh and submission of intersex issues to the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Nepal.

- Esan Regmi, Blue Diamond Society, Nepal
- Archana Pokhrel, Pink Mountain, Nepal
- Royal Islam, Bandhu Social Welfare Society, Bangladesh
- Georgina Sheilla Heryanto, Indonesia
- Irfan Khan, Secure Mornchildren, Pakistan
- Gopi Shankar Madurai, Srishti Madurai LGBTQIA Student Volunteer Collective, India
- Anis Akhtar, DUIA Disabled & Intersex UK Asia, United Kingdom
- Hiker Chiu, OII-Chinese, Taiwan

QBA

[A4] What Do Donors Want

Global Philanthropy Project (GPP) is a collaboration of funders and philanthropic advisors working to expand global philanthropic support to advance the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (LGBTI) people in the Global South and East. This session invites several grant-makers who have been funding SOGIESC projects in Asia.

- Matthew Hart, Global Philanthropy Project, France
- Zaynab Nawaz, Foundation for a Just Society
- Micahel Heflin, Open Society Foundation
- Arjos Vendrig, COC Netherlands
- Martin Yang Beijing, AIDS Walk
- Ariel Herrera, Freedom House
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
CONCURRENT SESSION B

**[B1] Advocating for LGBTI inclusion in educational setting**

This session highlights the importance of raising awareness of gender and sexual diversity and to remove the stigma towards LGBTQ students among educators. One of the campaigns in China targeted teachers, some of the most influential figures in society; thus, their support is the most important force in creating a gender-inclusive campus environment.

Frankie, Gay and Lesbian Campus Association of China, China

Gopi Shankar Madurai, Srishti Madurai LGBTQIA Student Volunteer Collective, India

Bao Chau Nguyen, NextGEN Hanoi, Viet Nam

Chiwei Cheng, Taiwan Tongzhi Hotline Association, Taiwan


The session through a dialogue with APF and select National Human Rights Institutions and rights advocates will reflect on the emergence and the genesis of the Yogyakarta Principles, it will look at specific instances of their content and application; as well as through an interactive dialogue and participant discussions stimulate ideas where the opportunities lie in strengthening and supplementing the Yogyakarta Principles and possible future directions for the next 10 years. NHRIs, NGOs, LGBTI advocates and international experts develop strategies to work together to engage government and international bodies to promote the Yogyakarta Principles.

Arvind Narrain, ARC International

Cianán B. Russell, Ph.D., Asia Pacific Transgender Network

Moises Nasario Pereira, Provedoria dos Direitos Humanos e Justiça (PDHJ), Timor-Leste

Commissioner Angkhana Neelapajjit, National Human Rights Commission, Thailand

Homero Matthew P. Rusiana, Office of the Executive Director*, Commission on Human Rights, the Philippines

M. Rabiul Islam Robi, National Human Rights Commission, Bangladesh
[B3] LGBTIQ-related sexual violence: Laws and support for survivors

In 2017, Japan’s criminal code articles on sexual violence were amended for the first time in 110 years. There were some achievements but quality discussion did not include LGBTIQ people. This session will explore cases documented in Japan and Singapore where support had been provided to survivors of sexual assault, and lobbying towards legal changes had taken place.

Miho Okada, Rape Crisis Network, Japan
Shoko Usami, Rape Crisis Network, Japan
Yangfa Leow, Oogachaga, Singapore

[B4] ILGA Asia Caucus 1: Programs and activities

Welcome remarks
Lyno Vuth, Acting Director, Rainbow Community of Kampuchea

Address by Guests of Honor
TBA

Music performance
Musician TBC
We are in a time of fast-paced technology and information-saturated daily lives. That is why a lot of people and organizations are re-strategizing to provide more creative ways of getting their message across, catch the attention of their audience, and influence decision makers. That is why the three LGBTI independent filmmakers coming from China, the Philippines and Viet Nam want to discuss the power of film in raising consciousness about a social issue and reach a bigger audience. The image of Queer people in films suffers from old patterns and stereotypes, it is still one-sided and lacking in diversity. Subsequently, the public may have an incomprehensive, and even negative impression of Queer people.

Pink Dads (Fan Popo, 2016, 20 minutes), What I Would’ve Told My Daughter if I Knew What to Say Back Then (Cha Roque, 2017, 13 minutes), Queer upon a time (Bao Chau Nguyen, 2017, 20 minutes) followed by discussion with filmmakers.

Bao Chau Nguyen, Hanoi International Queer Film Project, Viet Nam

Cha Roque, DAKIL, the Philippines

Popo Fan, Beijing Queer Film Festival, China
PLENARY SESSION 2
Religious fundamentalism and intensification of state-sponsored homophobia and transphobia in Asia

The session will discuss the growing influence of religious fundamentalism and its impact on LGBTIQ communities in Asia. Within the past two years, the influence of religious extremism, backed by increasingly authoritarian governments, has incited various forms of violence across the region: two gay activists were murdered in Bangladesh leading to an exodus of LGBTIQ activists to other countries; in Indonesia, raids and arbitrary arrests were conducted by both state forces and civilian vigilantes; in Malaysia, government institutions promoted a contest to make an anti-LGBTIQ video and state-sponsored “conversion therapy” practices; and in South Korea, soldiers were arrested for engaging in homosexual acts. The session will focus on discussing these critical issues towards creating plans of action at both the national and regional levels, in order to support grassroots initiatives.

Moderator: Jean Chong, Sayoni / ASEAN SOGIE Caucus, Outright Action International, Singapore

Tanvir Alim, Boys of Bangladesh, Bangladesh
Minhee Ryu, Korean Society of Law and Policy on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI LAW), South Korea
Thilaga, Justice for Sisters, Malaysia
Dr. Anticha Sangchai, Buku, Thailand

CONCURRENT SESSION C

[C1] Engaging with private sector to provide equal employment opportunity for LGBTI persons

This session will look at Asia’s first Index for LGBT+ workplace inclusion produced by Community Business; the strategic work of the Equal Opportunities Commission in Hong Kong in advancing LGBTI peoples’ equality using its diverse powers such research, advocacy, and working with key stakeholders such as NGOs, the business sector and religious groups; and several initiatives in other Asian countries.

Fern Ngai, Community Business, Hong Kong
Peter Reading, Equal Opportunities Commission, Hong Kong
Ngo Le Phuong Linh, ICS Center, Viet Nam
Ying-Chih Tsai, Taiwan Tongzhi Hotline Association, Taiwan
Yangfa Leow, Oogachaga, Singapore
[C2] Shrinking space for LBT activism in Asia

This session creates a safe space for LBT people to raise their voice to address the challenges and sharing good practices in order to develop strategy and building LBT movement in Asia and the Pacific within feminist movement and social movement for justice.

Jean Chong, Sayoni / ASEAN SOGIE Caucus, Outright Action International, Singapore
Matcha Porn-in, Sangsan Anakot Yawachon, Thailand
Thilaga, Justice for Sisters, Malaysia
Azusa, Gay Japan News (Equality), Japan
Mani Abdul Qadir, Naz Pakistan, Pakistan
Caesariano Budhiono, Arus Pelangi / Transmen Indonesia, Indonesia

[C3] The UPR in Asia: increasing its effectiveness

This session will offer participants an insider and practical perspective on how to maximise the impact of the UPR process and increase its effectiveness in Asia

Ryan Silverio, ASEAN SOGIE Caucus, the Philippines
Silvia Palomba, Destination Justice, Switzerland
Céline Martin, Destination Justice, Cambodia
Pauline Biollay, Destination Justice, Switzerland
Diana Carolina Prado Mosquera, ILGA

[C4] ILGA Asia Caucus 2: Constitution and Standing Orders
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM  
Grand Ballroom

**PLENARY SESSION 3**  
From margins to mainstream: LGBT inclusion in national policy and practice

This panel discussion intends to provide a platform for government officials, government representatives, and policy makers to take stock of the current situation, share experiences and best practices and learn from one another for better LGBTI equality mainstreaming in all policy spheres in the region.

Moderator: Edmund Settle, United Nations Development Programme, Bangkok Regional Hub, Thailand

- Dinh Thi Phuong Hao, Department of Civil and Economic Laws, Ministry of Justice, Viet Nam
- Sarada Prasad Panda, State Urban Development Authority, Government of Orissa, India
- Nareeluc Paichayapoom, Ministry of Justice, Thailand
- Arlene “Kaka” J. Bag-ao, Congresswomen, the Philippines
- TBC, Ministry of Women Affairs, Cambodia

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM  
**CONCURRENT SESSION D**

**[D1] Mapping threats to human rights defenders & opportunities to respond: countering the pushback against Universal Human Rights**

This interactive workshop will be a focused group discussion for activists to map out how regressive transnational discourses on sexual & bodily rights are impacting LGBTI movements at the national levels across Asia, and to collectively strategize strengthened advocacy in response.

- Rima Athar, Coalition for Sexual and Bodily Rights in Muslim Societies, Malaysia
- Numan Afifi, PELANGi Campaign, Malaysia
CONCURRENT SESSION D

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Tonle Basaac

[D2] Addressing Gender Based Violence against LGBTI persons in humanitarian settings

LGBTI persons experience humanitarian crises and engage with emergency response differently because of a number of reasons. While they may suffer SGBV ordinarily in their day to day life, during crises, their vulnerability is heightened. In Asia, this vulnerability is exacerbated because of poor legal protections, inadequate training of service providers and responders and a general unavailability of data that LGBTI persons are pushed further into harm’s way. This workshop aims to understand the contexts of a sample of countries and create a deeper understanding of how SRH services in humanitarian settings can be made more inclusive. With an improved understanding, more innovative approaches can be designed to reach out to LGBTI persons; and create an enabling environment for them to access services and help meet their SRH needs.

Ryan Figueiredo, APCOM Foundation, Thailand
Matthew Küssen, IPPF Humanitarian, Thailand
UNFPA TBC
UNHCR TBC
Bhoomi Harendran, National Transgender Network Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka
Anisul Aslam, Bandhu, Bangladesh
Ali Ashgar, Parwaz, Pakistan
Manisha Dhakal, Blue Diamond Society, Nepal
Girish, VHS, India

Tonle Mekong

[D3] Intersex Workshop

Welcome to the first intersex workshop in ILGA Asia conference. This is a workshop to learn about intersex, ILGA and intersex human rights, the history of global and Asian intersex movement, intersex human rights issues, demands of intersex and how to work on intersex policy as an ally in Asia.

Hiker Chiu, OII-Chinese / Intersex Asia, Taiwan
Miriam J. van der Have, ILGA Intersex Secretariat

QBA

[D4] ILGA Asia Caucus 3: Finance
### SELF-ORGANIZED SPACE

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- Tonle Sap
- Tonle Basaac
- QBA

### RECEPTION

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
- Chaktomuk Garden

**Trans Legal Mapping Report**
- ILGA

**Legal Gender Recognition Report**
- APTN
- UNDP

**Music performance**
- Musician TBC

### ILGA ASIA FILM FESTIVAL

7:30 PM - 9:30 PM
- Metahouse Phnom Penh

**This Kind of Love (Myanmar)** - Jeanne Marie Hallacy
**Transindia (India)** - Meera Darji

This Kind of Love follows Burmese human rights educator and activist, Aung Myo Min, as he returns home after 24 years in exile. The film embraces the idea that community and inclusion are fundamental to creating meaningful political and social change in Burma/Myanmar. Myo's vision that human rights is for everyone - from children to transgender people to ethnic nationalities - makes This Kind of Love an offering of hope for the future.

The documentary will be followed by another documentary exploring the Transgender community also known as Hijras, in Ahmedabad, India. From being criminalised in 1871 to marginalised in the current society, 'Transindia' takes you on a journey of their true lifestyles.
PLENARY SESSION 4
Engaging young persons in the LGBTIQ movement: empowerment and foundation

This session explores the strategies that have been used by young LGBTI activists to engage their peers and the importance role they are playing in the LGBTI movement in Asia.

Moderator: Matcha Porn-in, Sangsan Anakot Yawachon, Thailand

Vica Larasati, Youth Interfaith Forum on Sexuality, Indonesia
Gopi Shankar Madurai, Srishti Madurai LGBTQIA Student Volunteer Collective, India
H.C., Trans Center, China
Sandeepa Perera, Young Out Here, Sri Lanka
Lîm Khînluí, NTU Lambda - Students Group of Gender Issues Alliance in Northern Taiwan / The League of Northern Taiwan Student Gender Association, Taiwan

CONCURRENT SESSION E

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

[E1] Legal gender recognition, Rights and Law

Gender recognition laws, and the rights and health issues surrounding them, are currently a matter for public debate across much of the world. APTN and UNDP conducted a multi-country project regarding legal gender recognition for transgender people in eight countries in the Asia Pacific region, specifically India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nepal, China, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand. This panel will discuss the study and deliberate on next steps for policy makers and other stakeholders on legal gender recognition. ILGA World publishes an annual Trans Legal Mapping Report, looking at legal gender recognition laws and processes in all regions of the world. This panel will discuss both reports and deliberate on next steps for policy makers and other stakeholders on legal gender recognition.

Cianán B. Russel, Ph.D., Asia Pacific Transgender Network
Zainab Patel, United Nations Development Programme, Bangkok Regional Hub, Thailand
Mitch Yusmar Yusof, SEED, Malaysia
Wannapong (Nhuuri) Yodmuang, Rainbow Sky Association of Thailand
Bhoomi Hareendran, Sri Lanka
Zhan Chiam, ILGA
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

CONCURRENT SESSION E

Tonle Basaac

[E2] Collaboration Across Asia: Intersectional approaches on how society can address gender and diversity

The panelists will share their experiences of collaboration within the LGBT community and with other fields. In doing advocacy work, there is a collaboration between many stakeholders and individuals both professionally and academically: Psychologists, Faith Groups, Film Makers, Artists, Media, and Government. The panelists will share best practices in working with other fields in their respective countries.

Justin Francis Bionat, Youth Voices Count, the Philippines
Bao Chau Nguyen, NextGEN, Viet Nam
Joelle Cai, Beijing LGBT Center, China
Zakaria Nasser, Qorras, Lebanon
Arky, Braille Without Borders, Cambodia
Ryan Silverio, ASEAN SOGIE Caucus, the Philippines

Orchid 1

[E3] Promote equal right through the sports

This workshop will discuss how LGBTI+ human rights in sport are being talked about in the community and in the sporting sphere of each country of the panelist, and look for ways to actively involve discussion of LGBTI+ human rights in future international and national games.

Martin Pegett, Federation of Gay Games
Gon Matsunaka, Good Aging Yells, Japan
Ivan Yap, The Straits Games, Malaysia
Candy Darim Yun, Korean Sexual Minority Culture & Rights Center, South Korea
Nong Hanh, Amazin LêThi Foundation, Viet Nam

QBA

[E4] ILGA Asia Caucus 4: Election
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM  CONCURRENT SESSION F

Tonle Sap  

[F1] Bridging the gap: Data to Policy

This session will bring together technical and community experts to deliberate on the effective presentation of social science research before relevant stakeholders. The session will provide an overview of studies which used mixed research methodologies (quantitative, qualitative, surveys, focus groups, interviews, etc.) and points of intervention in the policy/programme making (litigation, legislation, administrative, programs and benefits, corporate policies, etc.), using several substantive examples.

Edmund Settle, UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub
Kelly Kiseki, Beijing LGBT Center, China
Prof. Yen Nguyen, Ph.D., National Institute of Education Management, Viet Nam
Ryan Silverio, ASEAN SOGIE Caucus, the Philippines
Prof. Suen Yiu Tung, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
Kangwan Fongkaew, Burapha University, Thailand

Tonle Basaac  

[F2] Protecting Asian LBTI women’s rights at the UN: CEDAW and other mechanisms

The session will focus on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) as an instrument to promote protection and accountability for LBTI rights. The panel discussion will bring together experiences from different countries in the region in using the processes of CEDAW reporting, shadow reporting and monitoring to advocate for LBTI rights protection and monitor compliance. The session will also explore experiences and opportunities in raising SOGIE-related cases under the CEDAW Optional Protocol.

Sophea Khun, UN Women, Cambodia
Kseniya Kirichenko, ILGA
Anna May Baquirin
Evelyn Ursua
### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2017

#### 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM  
**CONCURRENT SESSION F**

**Orchid 1**

[F3] Are you prepared?: Mainstreaming LGBTI rights perspectives into disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) and mainstreaming DRRM into our work

It's been found through disasters across the world that LGBTI people could face specific struggles in time of disasters due to sexuality and gender norms in our societies. There seems to be a lack of discussion on LGBTI rights in time of disaster in our communities since disaster is not necessarily what we experience every day. Thus, it is assumed that the level of our preparedness for disasters remain low. Researches point out that Asia is prone to natural disasters; 30-40% of natural disasters worldwide occur in Asia. This workshop attempts to provide a space for activists and stakeholders in our region to know LGBTI communities’ experiences and resilience in disasters and DRRM work from Japan and also encourages workshop participants to share their stories and work. It’s hoped that this workshop will be an opportunity for us to have a good understanding to be ready for disasters in the future.

Azusa Yamashita, Gay Japan News (Equality), Japan

Prakash Niraula, Blue Diamond Society, Nepal

TBC, the Philippines

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#### Q&A

[F4] ILGA Asia Caucus 5: Election (continued)

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#### 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM  
**CLOSING CEREMONY**

Recap of the 7th ILGA Asia Regional Conference

Introduction of the new Executive Board of ILGA Asia

Announcement of the host city for the 8th ILGA Asia Regional Conference

Remarks from Guest of Honor:

Claire Van der Vaeren, United Nations Resident Coordinator for Cambodia

Closing remarks

Lyno Vuth, Acting Director, RoCK

New Executive Board of ILGA Asia
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
ILGA ASIA FILM FESTIVAL

Our Love Stories (Korea)

Women’s issues are largely neglected, even within the SOGIESC movement itself. We dedicate one night to feature a sensation among women who are attracted to other women in Korea, Our Love Story, featuring Yoon-ju, an awkward and shy fine arts student, who finds herself falling for another woman she met and cautiously follows her desires.

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM
CLOSING PARTY

Blue Chilli
On the first day, the festival will open with 3 documentaries from Nepal, India and China on the topic of marriage equality, criminalization of homosexuality and transgender people in these countries. The day will close with a featured film recently released in Vietnam, focusing on the lives of a transgender circus.

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

**Same Sex Marriage / समलिंगी विवाहको चलचित्र**
Bhusan Dahal, 2017
127 minutes

**Breaking Free**
Sridhar Rangayan, 2015
82 minutes

LGBTQ groups and individuals across India have been clamoring for the reading down of the colonial law Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code which carries a heavy sentence of 10 years or up to life for sexual activities ‘against the order of nature’. While the Delhi High Court decriminalized homosexuality in 2009, the Supreme Court reversed the decision in 2013 stating that "The Court held that there is very little evidence to show that the provision is being misused by the police." Breaking Free provides ample evidence through personal testimonies that the law is being misused by police and blackmailers to extort, torture and even rape people of the LGBT community.

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

**Escape / 逃逃**
Hu Ranran, 2017
75 minutes

In one scene, Zhang Wang’an, an 18-year-old high school student in Beijing, is shown working out at a gym in order to appear more masculine. A later scene takes place in the bedroom of Zhang’s mother as the teenager secretly tries on her nail polish, bracelets, and cheongsam, a tight-fitting one-piece traditional Chinese dress for women. Such contradictions are the major theme of Escape, a rare Chinese movie about being transgender created by a group of high school students in Beijing. In the 75-minute production, the character of Zhang Wang’an goes on a painful journey of self-discovery, and eventually embraces her true identity as a transgender woman with help from her friends.

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

**Lô Tô**
Huynh Tuan Anh, 2017
110 minutes

Born to be male but prefer to fool boys, collect his time through bloody battles and his family’s main attack. Growing up, forced to be married to “seek the grandson”, Duc have to run away in the middle of the night, carrying the desire to live as himself. While miserable, Phu Hoa’s circus with Le Minh as circus manager along with his crews was ready to welcome him. Renamed, became the Le Lieu (named as Phu Hoa’s daughter) – a female singer bolero under the ground. Times flies, Le Lieu has become the manager of the circus and also protecting people who unlucky as her in the past. They roamed the roads, using colors buds to bring the funniest moments for everyone as well as filling the day.

*The program is subject to change without notice.  
*Entry to the film festival is free.
On the last day of the film festival, ILGA Asia affirms the message of love through a number of short films and featured films on love between two persons, between family members transcending gender and sexuality.

Unconditional Love
Khaing Htun, 2017
23 minutes

Unconditional Love tells the story of a 21-year-old tomboy and her 20-year-old lover, their struggle against pressure and rejection from their families and relatives and eventual decision to elope.

Fulfil my needs
Wai Yum, 2017
24 minutes

KoPhyo is a Nat spirit medium, who is also attracted to men. Fulfil My Needs tells the story of his marriage, his love for a male colleague, and his spiritual practise.

Goodbye Mr B Hello Miss B!
Beatrice Wong, 2016
15 minutes

Mr B is now Miss B, she shares her experiences mentally and physically through this rather intimate documentary.

The End of Our Youth
何心, 2016
30 minutes

Liu Ding-heng and Zeng Jia-wei met in high school and became friends, while the two are also partners in practicing Judo. On the eve of her graduation, Tsang Kar-wai decided to confess to her long-time crush Lin Shin-tien. Liu Ding-heng started to help Tsang Kar-wai, even reluctantly. Finally, Tsang Kar-wai successfully confessed to Shin Shin-tien. After the couple began to date each other, all three people evolved into embarrassing situations, and Liu Dingheng was overwhelmed and confused by the trio’s relationship. On the day before graduation, Liu Dingheng wrote a letter and decided to do something on Zeng Jiawei’s graduation day...
the park / 公園
Starr WU, 2016
17 minutes

Ashu missed the last train home, so he walked into 228 park. The park is the place where many gay people hang out. In the park, he bumps into his high school classmate Azhi. Ashu notices that Azhi is speaking hesitantly and thinks that Azhi is finding it difficult to face his own sexual orientation. In fact, Azhi has taken drugs this evening and is feeling lightheaded.

I wish I know how to quit you
Pei-Yi LEE, 2016
11 minutes

Jia Yun and Jia Ling met each other when they were 15 years old. Jia Yun sometimes could not stand Jia Ling, but she loves her so much that she is inseparable from her. Jia Ling on the other hand is very selfish. She has a boyfriend for many years and loves him more than she loves Jia Yun, but they can no longer be together. In order to forget her situation, Jia Ling ran away to the beach with Jia Yun.

모모 / MOMO
Jang Yun-ju, 2016
16 minutes

Sohee meets up with her ex-girlfriend Areum who is about to set off to live abroad in Germany. Sohee takes custody of Momo, the cat they once shared. But Sohee’s current girlfriend Yujin sees Momo as a reminder of Areum and becomes upset.
Ka Bodyscapes
Jayan Cherian, 2016
99 mins

Three young people, Haris, a gay painter; Vishnu, a rural kabaddi player, and their friend Sia, an activist who refuse to conform to dominant norms of femininity, struggle to find space and happiness in a conservative Indian City. Haris, a talented but struggling painter, prepares for his first solo exhibition, he persuades Vishnu, the object of his desire, to join him in the city. Vishnu is fully within the grip of his conservative Hindu family, which limits his choices. But he joins Haris and stays with him in his tiny rented apartment as a reluctant yet willing lover and model. Sia, a white-collar worker in an export firm, struggles both at home and at work. At home, she battles the misogynist restrictions, her conservative Muslim relatives impose on her, at work, she questions the violent and humiliating labor controls, and the dehumanizing surveillance and she protest against the misogynist punishments meted out to menstruating women workers. Each of these defiant acts provokes severe punishment and for these young people, it marks the entry into adulthood in a challenging world.

Fathers
Palatpol Mingpompichit, 2016
96 minutes

The film tells the story of gay couple Phoon and Yuke, who have adopted an orphan son named Butr and come to face multiple social and legal problems throughout their journey in building a family. Fathers realistically shows how Phoon and Yuke are confronted with their young son’s questions after he is teased in school for having “fag” fathers.
VISITING PHNOM PENH

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To enter Cambodia, you may first require a visa. Please check the conference website regarding visa requirement for your country: http://ilgaasia2017.com/2017/10/18/visa-to-cambodia/.

We recommend a one month "tourist" visa. However, it is your responsibility to check whether or not you will need to apply in advance for a visa. In any case, we strongly recommend that you apply for this visa in advance at your nearest Cambodian embassy or consulate or online when possible, as tourists can sometimes be required to pay small additional bribes to obtain visas on arrival. Bring a passport photo with you for the visa officials to avoid having to pay an additional fee.

You are responsible for checking the relevant requirements applicable for your one month "tourist" visa application. Please note that the one month "tourist" is only single entry visa. Therefore, the visa will expire as soon as you leave Cambodia.

Some countries require people coming to Cambodia to have proof of an “onward journey” (out of Cambodia). We strongly recommend that you check at the embassy or with a travel agent whether your country has such a requirement, as without such proof, you may be barred from boarding your flight to Cambodia. If you are planning on purchasing a return plane ticket, this will not be a problem for you as the return flight is the proof of your onward journey. However, if you intend to purchase only a one way ticket and your country may require proof of an onward journey, we advise to book an onward bus ticket to Saigon or Bangkok. Such service is available on bookmebus.com for instance.

For those who are flying from overseas, we strongly recommend that you book a flight to Phnom Penh International Airport. Most flights to Phnom Penh will require you to make connecting flights through an Asian hub airport (the main ones for Cambodia being Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok, Seoul (Incheon), Guangzhou, Shanghai (Pudong), Singapore (Changi), and Hong Kong).

You are responsible for finding your flights. There are a wide array of flights listed on flight search engines including Skyscanner, eDreams, eBookers, and Travelocity. We have also observed that occasionally, airlines will offer cheaper flights directly on their website. Airlines that occasionally do this include Vietnam Airlines, Malaysia Airlines, Emirates, and Qatar Airways. Some budget airlines fly to Cambodia, including AirAsia and Jetstar.

Before leaving the airport, you should collect a voucher from the taxi or tuktuk stand. This will enable you to take a flat-rate ride from the airport to one city location of your choice. It is approximately 11 kilometres from the airport to the city centre. It costs around 10USD from the airport to the Conference venue.

You can also book a taxi or tuktuk through apps such as PassApp, Exnet, Uber and Grab. Install these apps on your phone and register before leaving your country, ideally, so they are ready to use when you arrive at the airport. Free wifi access is also available at the airport but please use at your own risk as with any public network.
GETTING AROUND PHNOM PENH

There is a nascent public transport in Phnom Penh. Generally, people hire motos (the cheapest option), tuktuks, or taxis. Using the application mentioned above can save a large amount of money and stress.

LANGUAGE

The official language of the country is Khmer. You may wish to find out how to say a few basic phrases in Khmer before you arrive. In practice, many Cambodian people also speak varying degrees of English. Some Cambodians also speak varying degrees of French, and in Phnom Penh, many will also speak Mandarin Chinese.

CURRENCY AND BANKS

The official currency is the Cambodian Riel. In practice, US Dollars are also treated as currency, and used as larger notes, while Riels will often be used instead of coins. The exchange rate between Riel and US Dollars is 4,000 to 4,200 Riels to 1 US Dollar. If you plan to use USD in Phnom Penh, please prepare 1 dollar notes in case vendors do not have change. Notes larger than 50 USD are not commonly used.

There are many ATMs throughout Phnom Penh. Therefore, we discourage you from carrying a large amount of cash with you on your arrival or at any time. You may wish to check with your local bank concerning any fees you will incur when withdrawing cash from foreign ATMs.

PHONES

Foreign sim cards often do not work in Phnom Penh. You should obtain a local sim card. We usually have sim cards with Cellcard (also known as Mobitel). Smart is also a reliable option. These carriers have 4G capabilities and can provide sim cards for different kinds of phones. You will need to take your passport with you to register for the sim card, which means that if you lose your phone, you can have your number reinstated.

Calling and text credit will cost you between US$2 and $5 a month, and 4G internet will cost you another $5 a month. Or you can purchase a tourist 7days Sim Card at the airport upon arrival.

ACCOMMODATION

If you choose not to stay at the Conference venue, we strongly advise that you book a room at a guesthouse upon initial arrival. We recommend to chose one of the gay friendly options in the city. Please check our website for the list: http://ilgaasia2017.com/2017/10/18/accommodation-in-phnom-penh/.

You can also select your own hostel from the many options listed in search engines such as Agoda or Trip Advisor. Prices start from as low as $10. We suggest you select a location in the BKK1 area as this is safe, centrally located, and not too far from the Conference venue.
SAFETY

Like any city, Phnom Penh may have its dangers and therefore it pays to be “street smart” and alert to your surroundings. When carrying bags, particularly handbags, ensure you hold them securely. Do not hold phones, wallets, or purses in your hand while walking in the street, or leave them on cafe tables, as there have been incidents of people stealing such items when their owners are distracted. When outside, do not carry more money or personal belongings than you really need to (especially items that are more difficult to replace such as passports, ID cards, and credit cards). We recommend you make a photocopy of your passport and carry this with you around the city instead of your original passport.

ELECTRICITY

Electricity in Cambodia is 220V, and most sockets accommodate plugs with two flat pins. The following plugs are use:

INSURANCE

You are responsible for making your own insurance arrangements. For those coming to Phnom Penh from overseas, we strongly recommend you have travel and/or medical insurance. If you do obtain an insurance policy, send us a copy of it so that we may refer to it in case of emergency. We also need to know the name, email address and phone number of an emergency contact for you, as well as what relationship that person has to you.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Should you have any emergency issue during the course of the conference, call 099-287820.

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For those staying at the venue, note that the hotel has a swimming pool, a gym and tennis courts, so you might want to pack sports outfit.

HOUR

Please use the conference schedule in this booklet to plan for your day. Note that conference program is subject to change without notice. Conference will start at 9 AM every day, and will finish by 5 PM, followed by the social program. There are one-hour lunch break and two 30-minute tea breaks every day.

If you do not stay at the Conference venue, please leave early on your first day to ensure that you make it to the venue by 9 AM. By tuktuk or moto from BKK1 or Riverside, it should take approximately 10 to 20 minutes to arrive at the Conference venue in morning traffic.

CONFERENCE VENUE

The pre-conference, main conference and evening receptions will take place at:

Hotel Cambodiana
Address: 313 Sisowath Quay, Daun Penh, Chakto Mukh, Phnom Penh 12200
Phone: 023 426 288

The film festival will be at:

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Address: 37 Samdach Sotheary Blvd (3), Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Phone: 023 224 140

The closing party will be at:

Blue Chilli
Address: #36Eo Street 178 (Preah Ang Mahayak Vann) Daun Penh District, Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Phone: 012 566 353

REGISTRATION

If you have registered online, instruction to pay has been sent to your email address. Please pay prior to arriving at the conference to avoid the long queue.

For onsite payment, you will find the registration desk at the entrance corridor outside the Grand Ballroom. You can get your name tag, conference materials and settle your payment for registration fee here. You can get your name tag on the first day (December 4, 2017) onward. For security reason, please wear your name tag with you throughout the conference. You won’t be admitted to the meeting room without your name tag from the second day (December 5, 2017).

The registration desk will only be available on December 4 and 5. After that, please contact us at asia2017@ilga.org or call 099-287820.

Reimbursement and ILGA membership fee will also be settled at the registration area.
TAKING PHOTO AND VIDEO

You are free to share information about the conference on social media. However, please ask for permission when you take a photo or film another conference delegate. Should you be concerned about your own safety, get in touch with us immediately by calling 099-287820. Those who don't want to be in photos will have a special tag.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

ILGA does not condone sexual harassment or discrimination of any form. Sexual harassment and solicitation are forms of unlawful discrimination. The right to be free from harassment and unlawful discrimination on the grounds of one's sexual orientation, gender identity, expression or sexual characteristics (SOGIESC) means that everyone has the right to be free from any behaviours, conduct and comments that are degrading, offensive or otherwise unwelcome.

If you feel that you have been discriminated against or harassed during the ILGA Asia 2017 conference, you may want to discuss the situation with Yangfa Leow (yangfa@oogachaga.com), who has been appointed as an advisor to provide consultation, counselling and emotional support, free of charge. Yangfa is a registered social worker and trained counsellor from Oogachaga in Singapore, and has professional experience working with LGBTIQ+ individuals, couples and families on various issues, working in English and Mandarin.

The advisor is neutral, objective and knowledgeable about LGBTIQ+ human rights, and identifies as queer. All information shared will be kept confidential, unless permission is given to disclose to third parties, or where there is danger to life. Accusations of harassment and discrimination are serious for everyone concerned and each person has the right to maintain confidentiality about the allegations and the process.

The advisor will be able to provide information and explain options for dealing with the issue.
Map 1 - Grand Ballroom (Tonle Sap and Tonle Basaac) on the second floor

To ground floor

Grand Ballroom

Foyer / Registration

Tonle Batty

Tonle Basaac

Tonle Sap
Map 2 - Tonle Mekong on the ground floor

Map 2 - Orchid 1 and 2 on the ground floor
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