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UPCOMING DTP-MFA PROGRAMS

PROGRAM DETAILS	DATE & LOCATION
Malaysia Capacity Building Program on Advocating for the Rights of Migrant Workers 2017 – Module 4 <i>Applications Closed</i>	October 2017 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Pacific Islands Civil Society Consultation on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration <i>For interest email – dtp@unsw.edu.au</i>	2 – 3 November Suva, Fiji
Regional Workshop on Ethical Business and Recruitment Practices for Migration <i>Applications are open – for interest email – dtp@unsw.edu.au</i>	November 2017 Dubai, UAE

REPORTS ON DTP-MFA CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

Malaysia: '2017 Special Capacity Building Program on Advocating for the Rights of Migrant Workers in Malaysia' – [Module 1](#) | [Module 2](#) | [Module 3](#)

Qatar: 21 – 25 May 2017, Doha – 'Capacity Building Program on Human Rights Advocacy and Migrant Workers in the Middle East' [Draft Report](#)

UPDATES FROM DTP ALUMNI - DTP alumni and their organizations take action for the protection and promotion of the rights of migrant workers.

INDIA/UAE

Rejimon Kuttappan, Multi-Media Journalist - [Documentary](#) made by Rejimon on a trafficked domestic worker

Hubertson Tomwilson, Middle East Policy Advisor, Migrant Forum in Asia – Questions raised in Parliament re Government action on India's migrant workers [Read](#)

MALAYSIA

Sumitha Shaanthinni Kishna – "[Regional Civil Society Statement](#) on the Adoption of an ASEAN Instrument on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant Workers" from Regional CSO Consultation meeting 17-18 July 2017

BANGLADESH

AA Mamun, Program Manager, OKUP – OKUP study on "Opportunities for improved support and assistance for Bangladeshi migrant workers in Lebanon" [Read](#)

DTP ALUMNI AND ALUMNI ORGANISATION PROFILES – WORKING FOR MIGRANT WORKERS’ RIGHTS -
Since 2004, DTP and MFA have provided training for hundreds of advocates working to promote and protect the rights of migrant workers. They are working each day across Asia and the Middle-East. In each issue, we will include profiles of these individuals and their organisations whose work is so important.

ALUMNI PROFILE

- NEPAL** : [Basanta Karki](#) – Program Coordinator, Safer Migration Project, HELVETAS
BANGLADESH : [Marina Sultana](#) – Director, Programme for Refugee and Migratory Research Unit ([RMMRU](#)), University of Dhaka
QATAR /
PHILIPPINES : [Pastor Cecilio Kawi Cawayan](#) – President, We Care Outreach Ministry

ALUMNI ORGANISATION PROFILE

- INDIA** : [The Centre for Indian Migrant Studies \(CIMS\)](#)
LEBANON : [INSAN Association](#)

MIGRANTS RIGHTS AND RELATED NEWS

- Migrant Domestic Workers - Claiming rights under the Kafala system [Read](#)
- Qatar: New Law recognises domestic workers Labour Rights – needs enforcement measures [Read](#)
- Southeast Asia MPs urge Malaysia to halt migrant crackdown [Read](#)
- ASEAN’s obligation to migrant workers [Read](#)
- ASEAN likely to adopt declaration on rights of migrant workers [Read](#)
- Migration in the 2030 Agenda [Read](#)
- Migrants in Disaster Risk Reduction: Practices for inclusion [Report](#)
- Making fair recruitment a reality [Video](#)

MIGRANT WORKERS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	EVENTS AND DATES
Human Rights Council	Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the compendium of principles, good practices and policies on safe, orderly and regular migration in line with international human rights law
Universal Periodic Review	<p>27th session (Apr–May 2017): National Reports – Indonesia India Philippines Bahrain 28th Session (Nov 2017) : Pakistan Sri Lanka 29th Session (Jan-Feb 2018) : UAE 30th Session (Apr-May 2018): Bangladesh</p> <hr/> <p>Submission Guideline How to get involved? Practical guide for CSO DTP Short Guide on UPR prepared for DTP program participants Recommendations</p>
Human Rights Treaty Bodies	<p>CMW 27th Session (4 Sept – 13 Sept 2017) State Party’s Report: Indonesia Ecuador Mexico Info from CSOs on Indonesia: Coalition of Indonesian Migrant Workers Unions, Global Detention Project, Human Rights Watch, Indonesian NGOs Coalition, Path Finders, HOME/TWC2</p> <hr/> <p>CEDAW 67th Session (3 July – 21 July 2017) ▪ Thailand: State Party’s Report and Concluding Observations</p> <p>68th Session (23 Oct – 17 Nov 2017) ▪ State Party’s Report: Oman, Kuwait, Israel, Singapore</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IWRAW - Process and Guidelines for writing a Shadow Report ○ Deadline for CSO Submission 2 October 2017 <hr/> <p>Reporting Cycle Treaty Bodies</p>
Human Rights Special Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FELIPE GONZÁLEZ MORALES – Recently appointed Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants ▪ Report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants on a 2035 agenda for facilitating human mobility ▪ Report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants on his missions to Angola, Greece, Australia <hr/> <p>Directory of Special Procedures Mandate Holders How to submit information/complaints to the UN SPs</p>
Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Civil Society Consultations Timeline ▪ Recommendations for addressing women’s human rights in GCM Read ▪ Concept Note and Workplan for the GCM <p>Issue Brief #1 Human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance.</p> <p>Issue Brief #2 Addressing drivers of migration, including adverse effects of climate change, natural disasters and human-made crises, through protection and assistance, sustainable development, poverty eradication, conflict prevention and resolution.</p> <p>Issue Brief #3 International cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions, including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration.</p> <p>Issue Brief #4 Contributions of migrants and diasporas to all dimensions of sustainable development, including remittances and portability of earned benefits</p> <p>Issue Brief #5 Smuggling of migrants, trafficking in persons and contemporary forms of slavery, including appropriate identification, protection and assistance to migrants and trafficking victims</p> <p>Issue Brief #6 Irregular migration and regular pathways, including decent work, labour mobility, recognition of skills and qualifications and other relevant measures</p>
International Labour Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Global media competition on labour migration More Info ▪ Access to justice for migrant workers in South-East Asia Report ▪ How to facilitate the recognition of skills of migrant workers: Guide for employment services providers ▪ Policy Brief: Practices and Regulations of Recruitment to Domestic Work and Garment Work
UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)	<p>6 - 8 November 2017, Bangkok, Thailand – Asia-Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration Register</p>
Colombo Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 9th Ambassadorial-Level Meeting of the Geneva-based Colombo Process Representatives News ▪ Colombo Process submitted a statement in New York on Remittances to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration Thematic Session 4 “Contributions of Migrants” Read

Abu Dhabi Dialogue	Dubai, 5-6 July 2017: Special Workshop on Operationalising the Four Collaborative Programs Approved by ADD Ministers Report
Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD)	28-30 June 2017: Tenth GFMD Summit, Berlin – <i>Towards a Global Social Contract on Migration and Development</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Concept Paper and other documents ▪ Program Highlights ▪ Results and Next Steps ▪ PGA Conference, 3-4 July 2017, Berlin
ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour (AFML)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 10th AFML - 25 to 26 October 2017 in Manila, Philippines ▪ CSO Information Brief on the 10th AFML

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