



DTP – BUILDING THE CAPACITY OF ASIA-PACIFIC HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT 1990 – 2019

Continuation of our series on new human rights challenges and developments affecting political, economic, social and environmental challenges and what these mean for human rights and capacity building.

- The Indonesian Foreign Ministry has announced that human rights activist [Ms Yuyun Wahyuningrum has been appointed to represent the country in the region’s human rights agency, the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights](#) (AICHR), for a two-year term beginning in 2019. Yuyun Wahyuningrum is a DTP alumna and trainer. We include a link to an article by Yuyun as a reflection of her priorities in her advocacy for human rights in ASEAN: [Making Human Rights Work in ASEAN: Diversifying the Spaces, Aligning the Systems](#). She writes,

“Being the Representative of Indonesia to the AICHR is a big responsibility and an opportunity at the same time to promote and protect human rights for all. It is also a platform where Indonesia’s leadership can be exercised in the region on human rights through the AICHR. As I am at the driver seat for the next three years, I will need to consult, discuss, and cooperate with different groups. I also will make myself available for any concerns related to human rights in the region.”

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CAPACITY BUILDING AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

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- 2018 Indonesian Migrant Workers Program – [Launch & Module 1](#), [Summary report of Module 2](#) and [Module 3](#)
- DTP UNSW UDHR@70 Roundtable Discussions – [ASEAN and Human Rights, Kanak Self-Determination and the Vote in New Caledonia](#)
- 2018 – [28th Annual Regional Human Rights and Peoples Diplomacy Training Program](#) – Timor Leste. The Japanese TV Networkworld filmed the [DTP participants](#)
- 2018 – Migrant Workers Rights in Qatar – [Summary Report](#)
- [2018 Malaysia Migrant Workers Program – Module 5 - Report](#)
- [2018 Nepal - Review & Reflections on Advocating on Migrant Workers’ Rights Along Migration Corridors](#)
- [2018 Lebanon - MENA Regional Capacity Building Program on the Rights of Migrant Workers](#)
- [2018 Sabah, Malaysia - Indigenous Peoples, Human Rights and Partnerships for Sustainable Development](#) –
- [2018 Fiji - Business, Human Rights and the SDGs in the Pacific](#)
- [The 2017 DTP Annual Report is available on line](#)

Other training courses

- [Ending Slavery: Strategies for Contemporary Global Abolition- free online course](#)

- [Next Generation Leaders: Fully-Funded Leadership Program for Mid-Level Professionals](#) deadline 15 February

PROFILES AND NEWS OF DTP ALUMNI

- DTP would like to congratulate DTP alumna and trainer [Yuyun Wahyuningrum](#) who [has been selected to represent Indonesia on the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights](#)
- Late last year DTP alumni contributed to the [UPR](#) & [CEDAW](#) processes for Malaysia and included recommendations on Migrant Workers
- [DTP alumni participated in the historic 'migration week'](#) in Marrakech to attend [the Global Forum on Migration and Development \(GFMD\)](#) and the adoption of the [Global Compact for Migration \(GCM\)](#)
- DTP alumnus [Nirmal Upreti](#) has advised us that his NGO [FNB Nepal](#) has been shortlisted for the 2018 PILnet Local Pro Bono Impact Award
- DTP alumna Lily Purba sent us this article by DTP alumnus Purba Bhanu Bhakta Acharya: Nepal [Fury against media](#)
- DTP alumnus [Jolovan Wham convicted for "organizing an illegal assembly"](#) in Singapore
- **DTP is pleased to offer a free DTP alumni cap “ A Head for Rights” to alumni on request – please write to dtp@unsw.edu.au – subject line: DTP Cap**

AWARDS

- [DTP congratulates Board Member Professor Andrew Byrnes on receiving the Australian Human Rights Commission’s Law Award](#)

JOBS/INTERNSHIPS

- [Fortify Rights Recruitment Notice - 4 New Positions Available](#)

RESOURCES

- [New learning hub on international human rights](#)
- [8 Human Rights Study Books You Can Download for Free](#)
- ESCRNet: [New tools to understand Corporate Capture](#)

DTP’S THEMATIC PRIORITIES

Human Rights and Business

- Australia: [Treasury Department responds to independent review of OECD National Contact Point's administrative structure](#)
- Australia: [Federal Parliament passes Modern Slavery Act 2018](#)
- Cambodia: [New report on human and labour rights violations in Special Economic Zone](#)
- Indonesia: [Environmentalists face greater risks as neither Government nor corporations follow human rights standards](#)
- [The Human Rights Defenders World Summit launches action plan](#)
- CCHR: [Preventing, Mitigating and Remediating Land-Related Rights Violations in the Kingdom of Cambodia: Seven Areas for Improvement](#)
- Laos: [Civil society condemns imprisonment of villagers who protested loss of land awarded to rubber company](#)

Indigenous Peoples’ Rights

- [2019 – International Year of Indigenous Languages](#)
- [Discussion on Advancing the Rights of Indigenous Peoples National and Regional Human Rights Mechanisms: video](#)
- [Global analysis shows 77 per cent of attacks against human rights activists linked to defence of land, environmental and Indigenous rights](#)
- [UN CERD Committee: Adani coal mine should be suspended until all traditional owners support the project](#)

Migrant Workers’ Rights

DTP Monthly Migrant Workers Rights e-Bulletin. [Issue No 9 is available here](#)

- [Historic Global Compact for Migration Adopted](#)
 - [Outcome Document](#) – Global Compact on Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration
 - [Joint Civil Society Message](#) to the States at the Intergovernmental Conference to adopt the GCM
- [Nepal and Malaysia sign MOU on Recruitment, Employment and Repatriation of Workers](#)
- [Cultural Exchange or Cheap Housekeeper?: Findings of a National Survey of au Pairs in Australia](#)
- [Protecting the wages of construction workers in the GCC](#)
- [Malaysia: 49 groups object to govt's proposal for 20% salary deduction to serve as bond for foreign workers](#)
- [DTP alumnus Jolovan Wham briefs Australian Federal Parliamentarian on the plight of migrant workers in Singapore](#)

Women's rights

- UN: [Increasingly under attack, women human rights defenders need better back up](#)
- [Women's rights take centre stage as murdered activists are remembered](#)
- [Women Defenders: 'We've Had Enough!' A Call for More Action, Less Rhetoric](#)
- [Women in Asia Conference June 2019: Women in an Era of Anti-Elitism deadline](#)

HUMAN RIGHTS – GENERAL NEWS

- [#HumanRightsDay: I have to be the voice to the powerless - Michelle Bachelet](#)
- [UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders – World Report](#)
- [UN Human Rights Chief welcomes adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Peasants](#)

Development

- [Why we need social protection - Video](#)
- [Reality of Aid 2018 Report: The Changing Faces of Development Aid and Cooperation](#)

SDGs

- [First report on persons with disabilities and the SDGs](#)

Treaty Bodies and Special Procedures

- [Report on follow-up to the concluding observations of the Human Rights Committee: RoK, Cambodia](#)
- [LGBTI rights: Factsheets on UN Special Procedures](#)
- [Statement by Special Procedures on the occasion of Human Rights Day, 10 December 2018](#)

HUMAN RIGHTS – REGIONAL NEWS

- [Reasonable Doubt, the Journey Within – A Report on the Performance of the ASEAN Human Rights Mechanisms in 2017](#)
- ASEAN Parliamentarians call on Thailand: [Halt imminent plans to deport Bahraini refugee Hakeem Al-Araibi](#)
- [Human Rights Law Centre Annual Report 2018](#)

HUMAN RIGHTS – COUNTRY SPECIFIC NEWS

Australia

- [UNHCR Appeals for Urgent Medical Intervention by Australia in Nauru and PNG](#)
- ALHR launches new Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Subcommittee – [click here to apply](#)
- [Australia's Act fails to take into account the gender dimensions of modern slavery](#)
- [Australian Labor party promises to boost aid and prioritise Pacific](#)
- [Huge crowds join Indigenous campaigners attending Invasion Day marches across Australia's capital cities](#)

Cambodia

- [CCHR releases Factsheet on Violence Against Women in Cambodia](#)
- [95 local & international NGOs decry conviction of six union leaders for role in minimum wage protest](#)
- [Cambodia must release opposition member detained for “incitement,” regional lawmakers say](#)

China

- [China Deals Another Blow to the International Human Rights Framework at its UN Universal Periodic Review](#)

Indonesia

- [The Elephant in the Newsroom: Journalism in West Papua](#)
- [Indonesian court denies lawsuit against environmental expert witness; enforces legal protection against litigation](#)

India

- **Take action:** [Please Sign the Online Petition in Support of Dr. Anand Teltumbde](#)
- **Take action:** [Police officers open fire at peaceful protestors in Tripura](#)

Malaysia

- [Teacher Noorfadilla's Battle Against Pregnancy Discrimination Recognized with Human Rights Award](#)

Myanmar

- Fortify Rights: [Free Wa Lone and Kyaw Soe Oo, Protect Media Freedom](#)

Nepal

- **Take action:** [Human rights defender living in fear after detailing corruption and malpractice in Osho Tapoban](#)

Philippines

- [Southeast Asian lawmakers demand charges to be dropped against Philippine Representative France Castro](#)

Thailand

- **Take action:** [Judicial harassment of Ms. Sutharee Wannasiri and Mr. Nan Win](#)
- [Joint NGO statement: Drop Defamation Complaints against Rights Defenders](#)
- [Rejection of civil society nominees a setback for rights body](#)
- [Thailand to ratify ILO's Convention on Work in Fishing to help address abuses in fisheries sector](#)

Vietnam

- HRW: [Drop Charges Against Rights Campaigner](#)
- [Latest Count: Vietnam Holds 244 Prisoners of Conscience](#)

NEWSLETTERS/REGULAR PUBLICATIONS

In this section, we list contributions that appear on a regular basis that may be of interest to our readers

- BANGLADESH: [Bangladesh Human Rights Monitoring Report, monthly from Odhikar](#)
- BANGLADESH: [Kapaeng Foundation](#) from Bangladesh
- CAMBODIA: [Cambodia Center for Human Rights \(CCHR\) Fair Trial Newsletter](#)
- CHINA: [Centre for Migration and International Relations \(CMIR\)](#)
- CHINA: [Chinese Responsible Investment Overseas Newsletter](#)
- INDIA: [INDIA NEWS - A publication of the India Committee of the Netherlands](#)
- MYANMAR/BURMA: [Burma Human Rights Network Monthly Situation Updates Registration](#)
- MYANMAR/BURMA: [Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business \(MCRB\)](#)
- VIETNAM: [Vietnam Human Rights Defenders Weekly](#)
- WEST PAPUA: [AWPA Sydney News](#) from the Australian West Papua Association (AWPA)
- WEST PAPUA: [Human Rights and Peace for Papua – The International Coalition for Papua](#)
- [Forest Peoples Programme Newsletter](#)
- [HREA Upcoming E-Learning Courses](#)
- [Hurights-Osaka: Asia Pacific Human Rights Information Center](#)
- [Mekong Eye News Digest](#)
- [OHCHR UN Human Rights Civil Society Weekly Newsletter](#)
- [SDC Migration Network Newsletter](#)
- [Stop Child Labour Newsletter](#)
- [United Nations Democracy Fund Monthly Newsletter](#)

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