

CSOs and NGOs working for Human Rights¹



Name of Organisation: Human Rights and Development Foundation, Thailand

Website of Organisation: <http://hrdfoundation.org/>

Facebook of Organisation: <https://www.facebook.com/Human-Rights-and-Development-Foundation-175177715850398/>

Organisation of DTP Alumni Y/N: Yes

Human Rights and Development Foundation is a NGO in Thailand that promotes and protects human rights through providing education, training, conferences, seminars, meetings and publications. The organisation is political neutral and does not support a particular political party or groups in Thailand. The NGO focuses on political, economic, social and cultural rights that are set in international conventions and customary law. The organisation also looks into democratic rights, environmental rights, consumer rights, the right to a fair election, and human rights and development.

Human Rights and Development Foundation's goals are to strengthen the standards of human rights; democracy and peace, ensuring these are promoted and protected in Thailand. In terms of environment rights, the organisation looks at the importance of sustainable use of natural resources and the rights of minority groups and disadvantaged groups. The organisation also focuses on consumer rights by looking at fair trade. Furthermore, they look into labour rights by ensuring that health and safety conditions are in place, and the organisation also combats labour trafficking.

Human Rights and Development Foundation collaborates closely with other NGOs, the state agencies, private organisations and election observers. DTP collaborated with Human Rights and Development Foundation in the DTP 2011 Regional Asia-Pacific training program on Migrant Workers' Rights and Advocacy in the Asia-Pacific in Thailand.

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¹ The Diplomacy Training Program (DTP) is an NGO affiliated with the Faculty of Law at UNSW in Sydney. Since 1990, it has provided training to over 2600 human rights defenders and community advocates. These individuals work for a wide range of organisations working to promote shared values of human rights – in different ways. This profile is part of a series developed by DTP (www.dtp.unsw.edu.au) to illustrate the richness and diversity of the organisations working to promote human rights more broadly.

