

# **“Advancing Global Advocacy on Sex Workers’ Health and Human Rights”**

Phnom Penh, Cambodia

April 2-4, 2007

*Sunway Hotel*

*#1 Street 92, Sangkat Wat Phnom*

*Phnom Penh*

## **AGENDA**

### **Sunday, April 1: Preparations**

- 16:00–17:00 **REGISTRATION AND REIMBURSEMENTS** (*near hotel reception*)
- 18:30–19:30 **ICT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING:** *Tactical Technology Collective, Melissa Gira, Andrew Hunter, Petra Timmerman (meet at reception)*
- 19:30–20:30 **STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:** *Liz Cameron, Melissa Ditmore, Andrew Hunter, Aliya Rakhmetova, Sue Simon, Petra Timmerman, Rachel Thomas, Juhu Thukral (meet at reception)*

### **Monday, April 2: Determining Advocacy Priorities (facilitators: Melissa Ditmore/ Sue Simon)**

- 8:30 – 9:00 **REGISTRATION AND REIMBURSEMENTS**
- 9:00 – 10:00 **WELCOME:** *Sue Simon, Sexual Health and Rights Project, OSI, USA*
- Review of agenda
  - Logistics: *Jurga Poskeviciute, Open Society Fund, Lithuania*
  - Participant introductions
- 10:00–11:20 **WHAT ARE THE PRIORITIES IN SEX WORKER HEALTH AND RIGHTS ADVOCACY?** *Facilitator: Melissa Ditmore, Network of Sex Worker Projects*
- Discussion:** Should we have collective advocacy priorities?
- Priorities and Resource Persons:** (*10 minute topic overviews*)
1. Raids and anti-trafficking, *Pich Sokchea, Women’s Network for Unity, Cambodia*
  2. End demand legislation, *Maj, ICRSE*
  3. Regulations around sex work, *Cheryl Overs, Network of Sex Worker Projects* (e.g. 100% CUP; HIV routine testing; research and drug trials)
  4. Police entrapment and abuse, *Shahnaz Islamova, Tais Plus, Kyrgyzstan (SWAN)*

### **Question and Answer**

11:20–11:40 **Break**

**Priorities and Resource Persons:** (10 minute topic overviews)

5. Promoting positive messages, Lek U-Para, Empower Foundation, Thailand
6. UNAID and PEPFAR: donor agendas, Hazera Bagum, Durjoy, Bangladesh
7. UNFPA pillars, Andrew Hunter, Asia Pacific Network of Sex Workers

**Discussion:** What are the criteria for determining a “priority”? Are there other priorities which have not been mentioned?

13:00–14:15 **Lunch**

14:15–14:45 **Discussion:** Based on the previous discussions, what are our top 3 priorities?

14:45–16:00 **PRIORITY ONE:** *Facilitator: Petra Timmerman, ICRSE, Europe*

- This session is to further brainstorm this issue, determine main messages, and share ideas for local, national and global advocacy.

16:00–16:20 **Break**

16:20–17:30 **PRIORITY TWO:** *Facilitator: Elena Jeffreys, Scarlet Alliance, Australia*

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18:00– ?? **Women’s Network for Unity Dinner and Show**

## **Tuesday, April 3: Strategies and Messages (facilitators: Andrew Hunter/ Juhu Thukral)**

9:00 – 10:20 **PRIORITY THREE:** *Facilitator: Cheryl Overs, Network of Sex Worker Projects*

- This session is to further brainstorm this issue, determine main messages, and share ideas for local, national and global advocacy

10:20–11:00 **ADVOCACY MESSAGING: TO WHOM AND TO WHAT END?**

*Facilitator: Juhu Thukral, Sex Workers Project, Urban Justice Center, USA*

- What are our main targets?
- How do we engage the media? What are the pros and cons?
- Is abolitionist communication more effective than ours? How?
- What are our different messaging goals? (e.g. education? policy change?)

11:00–11:20 **Break**

11:20–12:00 **HOW DO WE ENGAGE OUR ALLIES?**

*Facilitator: Emmanuel Kamau, Ishtar MSM, Kenya*

- Who are our existing allies?
- Who are our desired allies?
- What do we want them to do?
- How do we communicate with them effectively?

- 12:00– 13:00 **TAMING THE ICT BEAST**
- 13:00–14:15 **Lunch**
- 14:15–17:15 **Excursion**
- 17:15–17:30 **Break**
- 17:30–19:30 **ICT TOOLS YOU CAN USE IN YOUR ADVOCACY WORK NOW!**
- 19:30 **Dinner**

**Wednesday, April 4: Movement Building (facilitators: Petra Timmerman/ Rachel Thomas)**

- 9:00 – 10:00 **WHAT SUPPORT CAN ESTABLISHED SEX WORKER ORGANIZATIONS OFFER TO NEW OR LESS RESOURCED GROUPS?**  
*Facilitator: Elena Jeffreys, Scarlet Alliance, Australia*
- 10:00–10:40 **WHAT BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES EXIST TO ENSURING THAT SEX WORKERS ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF OUR ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN AND HOW DO WE ADDRESS THEM?**  
*Facilitator: Jenn Clamen, Stella, Canada*
- Resource Persons:** (5 minute overviews)
- *Elena Reynaga, Latin American Network of Sex Workers*
  - *Jenn Clamen, Stella, Canada*
- Discussion**
- 10:40–11:00 **Break**
- 11:00–13:00 **USING ICT FOR SUCCESSFUL ADVOCACY STRATEGIES**
- 13:00–14:15 **Lunch**
- 14:15–16:00 **WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?** *Facilitator: Sue Simon, OSI, USA*
- What are the concrete steps for selected priorities?
  - Who will be the point people for moving these issues forward and involving others?
  - How do we report back to the community?
  - What kind of follow-up ICT support is envisioned?
  - What are the upcoming advocacy forums? (e.g. Int. Aids Conf 2008)
- 16:00–18:00 **ICT consultants will be available for follow-up questions and one-on-one advice**