



**International  
Detention Coalition**  
Human rights for detained refugees,  
asylum seekers and migrants

## **Regional Peer-Learning Platform and Program of Action on Alternative Care Arrangements for Children in the Context of International Migration in the Asia Pacific**

9 September 2021

Virtual Workshop:

Access to Education for Refugee and Migrant Children



## Welcome

The International Detention Coalition (IDC) and Secretariat of the Asia Dialogue on Forced Migration (ADFM) are pleased to progress the *Regional Peer Learning Platform and Program of Action on Alternatives to the Detention of Children in the Context of Migration in Asia Pacific* (the Peer-Learning Platform).

This Peer-Learning Platform brings together individuals from policy and implementing agencies in the governments of Australia, Indonesia, Malaysia, New Zealand and Thailand, as well as civil society and international organisations, in order to share positive practice and concrete examples of what is working.

Access to education is an integral part of implementing effective community-based alternatives to detention for children, and a central part of many case management approaches. This session is an opportunity to hear from different countries in the region about how developments in policies to expand access to education for refugees and migrants came about, and how they relate to other elements of alternatives to detention implementation, including case management, and other support services.

The session will take place over 2.5 hours on Zoom on 9 September 2021. All discussions will take place under the Chatham House Rule of non-attribution. Simultaneous interpretation will be available in Thai and Bahasa Indonesia.

For any questions or further information required please contact [adfm@cpd.org.au](mailto:adfm@cpd.org.au).

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## Provisional Agenda:

Time	Session
9:30am BKK/JKT 10:30am KL 12:30pm AEST 2:30pm NZT	<p><b><u>Welcome and introduction</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome new speakers</li> <li>• Brief outline of past activities of the Platform</li> <li>• Purpose of today's session</li> </ul>
9:40am BKK/JKT 10:40am KL 12:40pm AEST 2:40pm NZT	<p><b><u>Session 1: Access to education for refugee and migrant children</u></b></p> <p>Introduction and relationship between ATD and access to education.</p> <p>Peer learning exchange:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Example from Thailand</li> <li>• Example from Indonesia</li> <li>• Q&amp;A and moderated discussion to draw comparisons with experiences from other countries</li> </ul> <p>Discussion questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>How is education part of implementing effective alternatives to detention in your country context? How can this be strengthened?</i></li> <li>• <i>In your national contexts, what has been the positive impact of refugee/migrant children being able to attend schools? What are the challenges?</i></li> </ul>
11:00am BKK/JKT 12:00pm KL 2:00pm AEST 4:00pm NZT	<p><b><u>Session 2: Future of the Peer-Learning Platform</u></b></p> <p>Brief introduction to ideas for future of the Peer-Learning Platform</p> <p>Small group discussions in country groups.</p> <p>Discussion questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>What have you gained or learned from the Platform to date?</i></li> <li>• <i>What would you like to contribute going forward?</i></li> <li>• <i>What additional elements would you like to see incorporated into the future of the platform?</i></li> </ul> <p>Small groups report back ideas in plenary</p>
11:40 am BKK/JKT 12:40pm KL 2:40pm AEST 4:40pm NZT	<p><b><u>Closing remarks</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree next steps, timing and focus of next meeting</li> </ul>

## Provisional participant list:

Name	Organisation	Country
Abdi Abdirizak	Lead Advisor, Refugee and Migrant Settlement, <b>Ministry of Education</b>	New Zealand
Anderson Selvasegaram	Executive Director, <b>SUKA Society</b>	Malaysia
Andrew Hudson	International Director, <b>Centre for Policy Development</b>	Australia
Carolina Gottardo	Executive Director, <b>International Detention Coalition</b>	International
David Keegan	CEO, <b>Host International</b>	Australia
Duriya Amatavivat	Senior Adviser, <b>Ministry of Education</b>	Thailand
Elvi Hendrani	Assistant Deputy of Special Protection, <b>Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection</b>	Indonesia
Febrian Irawati Mamesah	Coordinator of Humanitarian Functions, Directorate of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs, <b>Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>	Indonesia
Ferry Herling Ishak Suoth	Deputy Director of Immigration Cooperation with the International Organisations, <b>Directorate General of Immigration</b>	Indonesia
Gading Gumilang Putra	National Legal Service Officer, <b>Jesuit Refugee Service</b>	Indonesia
Gatot Subroto (TBC)	Expert Team (Immigration), National Task Force of Handling of Foreign Refugees, <b>Coordinating Ministry of Political, Legal and Security Affairs</b>	Indonesia
Greg Gow	Manager, Education and Early Years Program, <b>Victorian Foundation for Survivors of Torture (Foundation House)</b>	Australia
Hj. Lanniari Rangkuti	Head of the Division of the Division of Early Childhood Education and Non-Formal Education, <b>Medan City Education Office</b>	Indonesia
Kawinkiat Nonthapala	Deputy Secretary-General, Basic Education Commission, <b>Ministry of Education</b>	Thailand
Kiradit Sachdev	First Secretary, Social Division, Department of International Organisations, <b>Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>	Thailand
Maree Jeurissen	Manager, ESOL, Migrant, Refugee, and International Education, <b>Ministry of Education</b>	New Zealand
Mattika Mathurapotwachana	Director of Programs, <b>Step Ahead Foundation, Thailand</b>	Thailand
Mohd Suffiani Mahmud (TBC)	Assistant Director, Private Education Division, <b>Ministry of Education</b>	Malaysia
Naiyana Thanawattho	Executive Director, <b>Asylum Access Thailand</b>	Thailand
Ni Ni Aung	Project Manager (Policy and Partnerships), <b>Regional Support Office of the Bali Process on People Smuggling, Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime (RSO)</b>	International
Noor Aziah Hj. Mohd. Awal	Children's Commissioner, <b>Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM)</b>	Malaysia
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Parinya (Ann) Boonridrerthaikul	Child Protection Officer (Children Affected by Migration) <b>UNICEF Thailand</b>	Thailand
Paula Atrill	General Manager, International Casework and Adoption, <b>Oranga Tamariki (Ministry for Children)</b>	New Zealand
Rollie Verzosa	Regional Education Programme Specialist, <b>Jesuit Refugee Service</b>	Thailand
Samto	Director Community Education and Special Education, <b>Ministry of Education, Culture and Research and Technology</b>	Indonesia
Sharyn Titchener	Manager of the International Child Protection Unit, <b>Oranga Tamariki (Ministry for Children)</b>	New Zealand
Shellie Carr	Director, Child Wellbeing, <b>Department of Home Affairs</b>	Australia
Sriprapha Petcharamesree	Senior Lecturer, Ph.D. Program in Human Rights and Peace Studies, <b>Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University</b>	Thailand
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Tri Nuke Pudjiastuti	Deputy Chair for Social Sciences and Humanities, <b>Indonesian Institute of Sciences</b>	Indonesia
Upinya Boonruangnam	Inspector of Sub-Division 4, Investigation Division, <b>Immigration Bureau</b>	Thailand
Vijeyatharzhini Bathmanathan	Assistant Secretary, Policy and Strategic Planning Division, Children's Policy Unit, <b>Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development, Malaysia</b>	Malaysia
Vivienne Chew	Asia Pacific Regional Coordinator, <b>International Detention Coalition</b>	International
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Yuyum Fhahni Paryani	<b>Independent Consultant</b> , former Indonesian Representative for Children's Rights, ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC)	Indonesia

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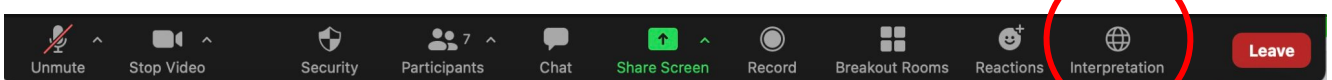
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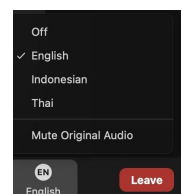
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## Participant Profiles

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### **Abdirazak Abdi**

#### **New Zealand**

Mr Abdirazak Abdi arrived in New Zealand in 1993 under the New Zealand Refugee Quota Programme after fleeing the civil war in Somalia. He spent about a year in Kenya before arriving in New Zealand. Abdirazak has been working at the Ministry of Education since 2000 providing national coordination of the implementation of various education support initiatives for former refugee students and their families. He gained tertiary qualifications from the University of Waikato.

Since arriving in New Zealand, Abdirazak has been involved in refugee and migrant communities both through work and community capacity building. He is interested in research around community empowerment, international migration, and refugee resettlement discourse.



### **Anderson Selvasegaram**

#### **Malaysia**

Mr Anderson Selvasegaram is the Executive Director of SUKA Society, which he founded in 2010. SUKA focuses on solutions that protect and preserve the best interests of children, working on the following key areas: creating access to education for Indigenous children, protecting victims of human trafficking and advocating for alternatives to detention for children affected by immigration arrest and detention. In 2015, SUKA Society won the United Nations Malaysia Award in conjunction with the United Nations' 70th Anniversary.

In 2016, Anderson was appointed as the International Detention Coalition (IDC) Regional Advisor for Southeast Asia. He is currently advocating with the government to initiate an 'alternatives to detention for unaccompanied and separated minors' pilot program in Malaysia. He is also currently a member of the National Project Advisory Committee (PAC) for the EU-UNICEF Initiative.



### **Andrew Hudson**

#### **Australia**

Mr Andrew Hudson is International Director at the Centre for Policy Development. He has 25 years of experience in advocacy, campaigns, and senior leadership, working with NGOs, the UN, the private sector, and government. He is an expert in building collaboration and promoting social change for disadvantaged people. Until March 2021, Andrew was CEO of Crisis Action in New York, leading a global team of 50+ people in 11 countries. Crisis Action builds coalitions to protect civilians in wars such as Syria, Yemen or South Sudan. Prior to Crisis Action, Andrew worked at Human Rights First in New York, where he coordinated UN advocacy, managed the Human Rights Defenders Program and led Latin American work.



### **Caitlin McCaffrie**

#### **Australia**

Ms Caitlin McCaffrie is a Senior Policy Adviser at the Centre for Policy Development (CPD) where she leads the Secretariat of the Asia Dialogue on Forced Migration (ADFM), providing policy analysis, advice and research on topics including migration governance, human trafficking, forced migration and refugee resettlement. Caitlin has previously worked in Phnom Penh in several human rights organisations, including Stanford University's WSD Handa Center for Human Rights and International Justice, managing programs on research, education, outreach and trial monitoring of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.



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## **Carolina Gottardo**

### **International**

Ms Carolina Gottardo is a migrant lawyer and economist who has worked on human rights issues for more than 20 years in different countries and contexts. Her areas of specialisation are migration, asylum and gender. Carolina started at the International Detention Coalition (IDC) in November 2020. Before commencing at IDC, she was the director of the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Australia for almost 4 years, and the director of the Latin American Women's Rights Service (LAWRS), a UK women's rights organisation working with refugee and migrant women for almost 6 years.

Carolina is currently a member of the board of the Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network (APRRN) and the Global Coalition for Migration (GCM). Carolina is currently a member of the Global UN Women Expert Working Group to address the human rights of women in the Global Compact for Migration, and a co-lead of the UN Migration Network working group on regularisation pathways.



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## **Chawaratt Chawarangkul**

### **International**

Mr Chawaratt Chawarangkul (Mic) has been with the International Detention Coalition (IDC) as the Southeast Asia Programme Manager since July 2020. Prior to that, Mic served in a wide range of roles within the humanitarian, human rights and development fields across Asia and Africa, advocating for and protecting the rights of marginalised groups, building resilient communities, and promoting sustainable development environments for the poorest and most vulnerable. He also facilitated the development of the Thailand policy to end the immigration detention of children and fostered the development of the national refugee screening mechanism in Thailand.

At IDC, Mic is working with coalition members and partners to prevent and reduce immigration detention, including through promoting alternatives to detention and the ending of child detention in Southeast Asia.



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## **David Keegan**

### **Australia**

Mr David Keegan is the founder and Managing Director of HOST International, a not-for-profit charity working across the Asia Pacific region to assist refugees prepare for and find a new home. HOST International provides a range of direct aid and empowerment programs that build independence and encourage communities to be involved in solutions.

David is passionate about finding innovative solutions to complex problems and working with multiple stakeholders to implement approaches that build a fairer and more inclusive society. He is a qualified social worker and holds a Masters in Community Management along with a 20 year career leading projects supporting vulnerable groups in Australia, the Pacific and Southeast Asia. He has also co-authored publications that focus on resilience building and responsibility sharing in urban displacement contexts.



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## **Duriya Amatavivat**

### **Thailand**

Duriya Amatavivat is the former Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Education, Thailand, and now serves as a senior adviser.





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## **Elvi Hendrani**

### **Indonesia**

Ms Elvi Hendrani is the Assistant Deputy of Children in Special Condition Protection in the Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection, Indonesia, since December 2020. She is responsible to coordinating protection programs for children, including children in emergency situations, children with HIV/AIDS, children with disability, children associated with terrorism, children from minority group and isolated areas, neglected children, and children with stigma as a consequence of their parents' condition.

Ms Elvi has also worked in education as Assistant Deputy of Children's Rights Fulfillment in Education, Creativity, Art and Culture from 2015-2020. In this role, she developed the "Children Friendly School" program to raise awareness around children's' best interests in education and to reduce bullying and abusive environments in schools.



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## **Ferry Herling Ishak Suoth**

### **Indonesia**

Mr Ferry Herling Ishak Suoth is the Deputy Director of Immigration Cooperation with the International Organizations of the Directorate General of Immigration. He has been working in the field for four years.

His main duties relate to international cooperation with international and non-international organisations of the United Nations, including formulation of draft of cooperation agreement, implementation of training program, supervision, coordination and evaluation of the published cooperation agreement. Prior to his current position, He was assigned as the Chief of Tahuna Immigration office in 2014 and Nunukan Immigration office in 2017.



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## **Gading Gumilang Putra**

### **Indonesia**

Mr Gading Gumilang Putra is the National Legal Liaison Officer of Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Indonesia. JRS Indonesia has taken the role of assisting refugees and asylum seekers since 2009. JRS Indonesia initially accompanied Rohingya asylum seekers in Aceh and North Sumatra before developing assistance for refugees in Medan immigration detention centers (2012-2013 and 2018), Surabaya (2012-2015) and Manado (2015-2018), as well as assistance for urban refugees in Cisarua (2010 - present) and Jakarta (2018 - present).

Gading's role at JRS Indonesia focuses on coordination and capacity building among refugee communities, the government, NGOs, and private sector for a stronger collaboration in realising refugee rights in Indonesia and in the region.



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## **Greg Gow**

### **Australia**

Mr Greg Gow leads the Melbourne-based Foundation House Education and Early Years Program, a Victorian statewide service supporting schools and early years service providers to respond to children and families from refugee backgrounds.

Greg has a longstanding interest in young people, education and refugee resettlement. His PhD explored the experiences of refugees from the Horn of Africa region settling in the suburbs of Melbourne. During 2020, Greg and his team launched Foundation House's innovative [School's In for Refugees](#) website.



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**Hj. Lanniari Rangkuti****Indonesia**

Hj. Lanniari Rangkuti SP.d. was born in Sibuhuan, North Sumatra on August 9, 1965 and studied at the Medan State IKIP FP IPS.. She was appointed a civil servant in 1987, .and in 1993 was appointed as Treasurer of Elementary Salaries at the Medan City Education Office in 2002.

From 2012 to 2015 she was appointed as Head of the Paud Curriculum section and PNFI then in 2016 to 2018. Appointed as Head of Community Education in 2018 until now she serves as Head of Early Childhood Education and Non-Formal Education at the Medan City Education Office



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**Kawinkiat Nonthapala****Thailand**

Dr Kawinkiat Nonthapala is the Deputy Secretary-General of the Basic Education Commission Ministry of Education, Thailand. Dr Kawinkiat is carrying out Thailand's Education for All policy for the foundation of education reform to reach all children without boundaries, create equal learning opportunities and reduce inequality.

Currently, he is supervising and responsible for the Bureau of Academic Affairs and Education Standards, Bureau of Educational Testing, Bureau of Technology for Teaching, and Office of Excellence in Science Education.



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**Kiradit Sachdev****Thailand**

Mr Kiradit Sachdev is a junior diplomat (First Secretary) currently working at the Social Division under the Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand.

His main responsibilities cover issues related to irregular migration such as protection, as well as engaging and cooperating with relevant agencies to reach sustainable solutions on various aspects of irregular migration at local, regional and international levels. Before joining the Social Division, Mr Kiradit was posted to the Royal Thai Embassy in Lima, Peru, from 2016-2019, where he worked as a political and economic officer at the Embassy.



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**Maree Jeurissen****New Zealand**

Iwi Affiliations: Ngati Raukawa ki Otaki, Rangitaane. Ms Maree Jeurissen has been with the Ministry of Education for four years. Her background is in primary teaching and includes several years working in international schools in Papua New Guinea, and lecturing in postgraduate teacher education at the University of Auckland.

Maree is committed to the idea that all peoples, languages and cultures can thrive in Aotearoa New Zealand. First and foremost, the regeneration of te reo Māori is a priority. Supporting and celebrating indigenous language paves the way for supporting and celebrating the languages and cultures of those from other lands, who now live in Aotearoa.



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## **Mattika Mathurapotwachana**

### **Thailand**

Ms Mattika Mathurapotwachana is the Director of Programs for the Step Ahead Foundation in Thailand. In 2017, Mattika joined the team to develop an innovative foster care program for refugee and asylum seeker children living in Bangkok's Immigration Detention Center. After the 2019 MoU was signed to end the detention of children, Mattika pioneered a program called Freedom for Families in collaboration with other like-minded NGOs to see the release of mothers from detention on bail and reunited with their children.

Mattika continues to give oversight to those Step Ahead projects as the Director of Programs. She is passionate about all children in Thailand growing up in safe and nurturing families. She believes strongly in collective impact and contributes as an active member of the Coalition on the Rights of Refugees and Stateless Persons (CRSP) and Strong Families Alliance Thailand.



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## **Min Jee Yamada Park**

### **International**

Ms Min Jee Yamada Park joined IDC as the Asia-Pacific Programme Officer in 2019. Prior to that, she worked in the areas of detention monitoring, research, policy advocacy, and capacity building, particularly for government actors in Southeast Asia and Africa. Her previous role as a Policy and Research Coordinator with the Thailand Institute of Justice focused on advocating for the humane treatment of marginalised groups including migrants, stateless persons and ethnic minorities in criminal detention and promoting the implementation of the relevant international human rights standards into national laws and policies in Southeast Asia.

Min has published and spoken at various international and regional platforms on the experiences and challenges of vulnerable groups deprived of liberty, particularly women and their accompanying children, based on her research in Cambodia, Indonesia, Thailand, and Kenya.



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## **Naiyana Thanawattho**

### **Executive Director, Asylum Access Thailand (AAT)**

Ms Naiyana Thanawattho joined Asylum Access Thailand (AAT) in 2019. She oversees overall operations, programming, and policy advocacy at AAT, working closely with refugee networks on alternative to detention and advocates the government to recognize refugees.

Naiyana has over 12 years' experience working in child protection thematic area both in development and humanitarian aspects with UNICEF, UNHCR and Save the Children. At UNHCR, Naiyana led Best Interest Determination process for refugee children along the Thai-Myanmar border. She also provided child protection technical support to the program implementation team at Save the Children.



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## **Ni Ni Aung**

### **International**

Ms Ni Ni Aung is a Project Manager (Policy and Partnership) of the Regional Support Office of the Bali Process on People Smuggling Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime (RSO). Her key responsibilities are to support refugee protection and international migration projects, including human trafficking and smuggling that the RSO is undertaking in partnership with its partners, such as UNODC, UNHCR, IOM, and the NEXUS Institute.

Besides this, Ni Ni has substantial working experience with IOM Missions, non-governmental organizations, and community-based organizations in Thailand and Myanmar on migrant assistance and protection projects. She is a 2019 Asian Peacebuilders Scholarship (APS) awardee and holds a Masters' Degree in International Law and Human Rights from the United Nations-mandated University for PEACE (UPEACE).



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## Noor Aziah Hj. Mohd. Awal

### Malaysia

Professor Dato' Noor Aziah Hj. Mohd. Awal was appointed the Children's Commissioner of the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia in August 2019. She is a Professor of law at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) and has served as Director of Institute Islam Hadhari, UKM and as Chairperson of Biro Kebajikan dan Tabung Pelajaran, Sukmanita UKM since 2000.

Professor Dato' Noor Aziah is also a member of the Islamic Religious Council of Negeri Sembilan and was the first female to be appointed to such a post in Negeri Sembilan; the National Advisory and Consultative Council for Children since 2017; the Board of Directors for IKIM; the Editorial Board of Jurnal Kanun, Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka; and the Disciplinary Panel for Bar Council Disciplinary Committee. In 2016 she was appointed as Malaysian Representative to the ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children for three years.



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## Oky Derajat Rizki Mubarok

### Indonesia

Mr Oky Derajat Rizki Mubarok is the Assistant Deputy Director of Immigration Cooperation with the International Organization of the United Nations of Directorate General of Immigration. He graduated with a Master of Law focusing on the Indonesian immigration law concerning the issue of irregular migrants.

Oky has been working on international organization matters for about two years. His main duty is related to international cooperation with international organisations of the United Nations, including formulation of draft of cooperation agreement, implementation of training program, supervision, coordination and evaluation of the published cooperation agreement.



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## Parinya (Ann) Boonridrerthaikul

### Thailand

Ms Parinya Boonridrerthaikul (Ann) is a Child Protection Officer with UNICEF Thailand. Ann is responsible for program development, planning, management, monitoring, technical and operational support to affected children, as well as networking and partnership building.

Ann has worked on civil and political rights and economic, social and cultural rights issues over the past 20 years, with experience in both program and management functions. Ann coordinated the Thai Civil Society Organization (CSO) Coalition for the United Nations Universal Periodic Review, during Thailand's second review in 2016. Since 2015, Ann has worked on advocacy campaigns for rights-based migration management for urban refugees and stateless persons, by helping to establish the Coalition for the rights of Refugees and Stateless Persons (CRSP).



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## Paula Attrill

### New Zealand

Ms Paula Attrill is the General Manager of International Casework and Inter-country and Domestic Adoption in the Ministry for Children-Oranga Tamariki. Paula has had a long career in the New Zealand Public Service having held various operational roles in front line service delivery, leadership and management of care and protection, youth justice and adoption services, and advisory roles which have informed significant reform of the State care and protection system in New Zealand.

Paula was recently awarded the Te Tohu Ratonga Tūmatanui o Aotearoa | The New Zealand Public Service Medal recognising her contribution to the New Zealand Public Service.



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## **Rollie Verzosa**

### **Thailand**

Mr Rollie Verzosa works with the displaced persons from Myanmar along the Thai-Myanmar border for more than 10 years and collaborates with other groups in different provinces in Thailand on issues and concerns on migrant education. He has served for four consecutive years (2014-2017) as the Education Sub-com. Vice-chairperson of the Committee for Coordination of Services to Displaced Persons in Thailand (CCSDPT).

Currently, Rollie is the JRS-Asia Pacific Regional Education Programme Specialist and is mainly responsible for coordinating and strengthening the cross-border programming and advocacy on refugee education in both camp and urban settings in Thailand, as well as the internally displaced persons and returnees in Myanmar.



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## **Samto**

### **Indonesia**

Dr. Samto serves as the Director of Community and Special Education, the Directorate General for Early Childhood, Basic and Secondary Education, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology. He has been joining the Ministry since 1992, starting from the Central Java Provincial Education Board to the central office.

Dr Samto graduated from a master's program in education research and evaluation, and completed his doctorate in education management at State Semarang University Central Java.



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## **Sharyn Titchener**

### **New Zealand**

Ms Sharyn Titchener is a qualified and registered social worker and is currently the Manager of the International Child Protection Unit for Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children. Sharyn has a special interest in the protection of children when they are being moved across international borders.

For the past 14 years, Sharyn has been contracted as an international consultant by the United Nations, Save the Children and other international organisations, to provide technical assistance to projects in the Pacific. These projects have been aimed at developing and implementing safeguards to protect women and children from violence, exploitation, trafficking and harmful cultural practices.



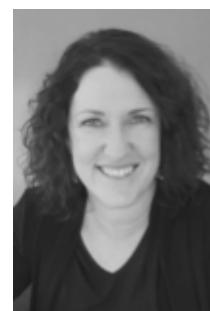
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## **Shellie Carr**

### **Australia**

Ms Shellie Carr has been working as Director of Child Wellbeing Operations in the Department of Home Affairs since October 2018. Her team promotes and oversees child safeguarding policies and procedures across both the Department and the Australian Border Force. Her team also monitors and reports on the compliance of business areas with child-related policy and procedure and assists in the Department's implementation of the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

Shellie has worked for the Department for more than ten years in immigration compliance, case management, detention and international policy.





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## **Sriprapha Petcharamesree**

### **Thailand**

Dr Sriprapha Petcharamesree is currently Senior Lecturer in the International PhD Program in Human Rights and Peace Studies at the Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University, Thailand and is part of the Secretariat of the Asia Dialogue on Forced Migration (ADFM). She was appointed by the Thai Government as the Thai representative to the ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR) where she served between October 2009 to December 2012.

Dr Petcharamesree's research and expertise focuses on human rights, ASEAN and Southeast Asian studies, migration, including statelessness and citizenship, business and human rights, and international relations. She has recently released a paper with Monash University on the roles of ASEAN on forced migration.



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## **Su-Anne Lee**

### **International**

Ms Su-Anne Lee is a Child Protection Specialist with UNICEF Malaysia, focusing on children affected by migration. Prior to UNICEF, she worked on governance for development and institutional reform with UNDP and refugee protection with UNHCR in Malaysia.

She also worked in the areas of migration, anti-trafficking, and business and human rights in the international nonprofit sector in Hong Kong and Tokyo. She holds an LLB from the University of Sheffield and an LLM from Columbia Law School.



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## **Thientong Prasanpanich**

### **Thailand**

Mrs Thientong Prasanpanich, Director of the Protection System Development subdivision, conducts oversight and plays a significant role in the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) in Thailand. She also heads the secretariat of the Child Protection System Development Subcommittee under the National Child Protection Commission, developing policies and strategies for vulnerable children including children affected by migration.

Mrs. Thientong is currently working to develop ASEAN Regional Plan of Action on Implementing the ASEAN Declaration on the Rights of Children in the Context of Migration, Cross-Border Child Protection Systems and the implementation of the MOU on the Determination of Measures and Approaches Alternative to Detention of Children in Immigration Detention Centers, including the role of case management in the protection of children.



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## **Tri Nuke Pudjiastuti**

### **Indonesia**

Dr Tri Nuke Pudjiastuti is the Deputy Chair for Social Sciences and Humanities at the Indonesian Institute of Sciences in Jakarta is part of the Secretariat of the Asia Dialogue on Forced Migration (ADFM). She completed her PhD in the Department of Criminology - Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, University of Indonesia, with a dissertation focusing on people smuggling from Indonesia to Australia. For more than five years, she was a part of the ASEAN Research Team.

Dr Pudjiastuti's experience in trafficking and smuggling issues has also given her an insight into irregular migration. Although her research focuses upon Indonesia, it also notes regional mobility, particularly at the level of ASEAN. She has also produced position and policy papers for the Indonesian government.





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## **Upinya Boonruangnam**

### **Thailand**

Pol. Maj. Upinya Boonruangnam is an inspector with the Sub-Division 4, Investigation Division, Immigration Bureau, Royal Thai Police, with over 16 years of national and international experience as an immigration officer and a thorough understanding of all aspects of immigration processes and procedures. From 2018 until 2020, she served on UNMISS. (United Nations Mission in South Sudan).

In this position, she is responsible for working on Thailand's National Screening Mechanism (NSM) jointly with key government departments and foreign organizations for the Thai Immigration Bureau in the committee's secretary team.



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## **Vijeyatharzhini Bathmanathani**

### **Malaysia**

Ms Vijeyatharzhini Bathmanathan is an Administrative and Diplomatic Officer currently serving the Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development, Malaysia as an Assistant Secretary in the Policy and Strategic Planning Division. Among her key responsibilities in the Ministry are introducing legislative and administrative reform relating to children's policy; designing and overseeing administrative reform pilot projects; and Coordinating and preparing the Country Report on the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC).

Among the pilot projects she helms at present are the Diversion pilot project for children in conflict with the law (approved by Cabinet in September 2019 and began implementation in December 2019) and the Alternatives To Detention pilot project for children in immigration detention (design and formulation stage).



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## **Vivienne Chew**

### **International**

Ms Vivienne Chew joined the International Detention Coalition (IDC) as the Asia Pacific Regional Coordinator in 2012. Prior to that, she worked for over eight years with refugee and asylum seeking communities, predominantly in countries of first asylum. During that time, she successfully established and managed refugee legal aid programs for Asylum Access in Thailand and Tanzania.

Vivienne has undertaken a number of research projects on children's rights, birth registration, statelessness, and the inclusion of refugees in the formal labour market in Malaysia.



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## **Wili Kurniawan**

### **Indonesia**

Mr Wili Kurniawan is a Foreign Service Officer at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia. He joined the Directorate of Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs back in August 2020, shortly after completing his mission as Consul for Information and Sociocultural Affairs at the Indonesian Consulate General in Marseille, France.

His current role in the Ministry covers multilateral cooperation on humanitarian issues such as refugees, disaster-related cooperation, humanitarian assistance, and international humanitarian law. This role is closely related to his Master's degree in development studies, which was obtained from the University of Melbourne, Australia, back in 2015.



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## Yuyum Fhahni Paryani

### Indonesia

Ms Yuyum Fhahni Paryani is the former Indonesian Representative to the ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) especially for children's rights. She is currently an independent consultant and expert in child protection in development and emergency contexts. She has experience in establishing community-based child protection, child friendly spaces (CFS) - psychosocial support (PSS) in emergencies, child protection assessment in emergencies, research in child protection and child participation, strengthening child protection system, and as a trainer, facilitator and moderator in child protection.

Yuyum has formerly worked with Save the Children-UK, LAPIS Project-AusAid, Plan International Indonesia, Philippines and Nepal, and recently joined with KIAT (Indonesia Australia Partnership For Infrastructure) IEEI Design project in Palembang focusing on child protection issues in infrastructure.

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## About the Organisers

**The Asia Dialogue on Forced Migration (ADFM)** is a Track II process established in 2015 to pursue more effective, durable and dignified approaches to forced migration in the Asia-Pacific. It has become a leading expert group on issues of forced migration in the region, trusted by the Bali Process and ASEAN for independent and credible advice. The ADFM Secretariat comprises policy institutes in four countries: the Centre for Policy Development in Australia, the Indonesian Institute of Sciences (LIPI), the Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies, Mahidol University Thailand, and the Institute of Strategic and International Studies Malaysia.



**The International Detention Coalition (IDC)** is a unique global network of over 400 civil society organisations and individuals in almost 90 countries, that advocate for, research and provide direct services to refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants affected by immigration detention. IDC has been collaborating with governments, civil society and intergovernmental agencies globally and within the Asia Pacific region for over 10 years to support the development community-based alternatives to immigration detention, particularly for children.

