

Recent/Planned Meetings and Seminars on Trafficking in Persons / Forced Labour Issues hosted by Thailand and involving International Organizations

1. ILO-RTG Multi-Stakeholder Forum on Labour Conditions in the Fisheries Sector in Thailand, May 2014

This forum was an ILO initiative co-hosted by the Ministry of Labour and the Department of Fisheries. It brought together Thai government officials, fisheries and seafood businesses, Thai and foreign civil society, and buyers from the EU, the US and Australia.

2. A Seminar on UNTOC Commitments and TIP Protocol, November 2014

This seminar was attended by representatives from UN-ACT, UNODC and Thai agencies.

3. The Bali Process Regional Symposium on Trafficking for the Purposes of Labour Exploitation, March 2015

The seminar was co-hosted by Thailand and Australia as part of the Bali Process on People Smuggling, Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime framework. There was ILO representation as panelists and participants. The Symposium was a success in opening up the discussion on trends, key issues and international cooperation relating to labour trafficking in the region.

4. Development Cooperation Seminar on Migration, May 2015

The seminar will be jointly hosted by the UN Country Team and the Royal Thai Government. The main objective is to support enhanced dialogue and effective and coordinated action on migration issues in Thailand, including the system for regularizing and managing the large migrant workforce.

5. A Regional Meeting on Migrants' Health, July 2015 (TBC)

Thailand is working with the IOM to organize this regional meeting, the outcome of which will be reported in the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD 2015).

In general, Thailand has closely engaged the ILO especially on migrant workers management. We have ongoing dialogue with UNCT and the ILO to gather recommendations and feed into relevant committees and authorities. We have also closely consulted with the UN and ILO on the government's nation-wide registration of migrant workers.
