

The 4th International Conference

"Global Health, Society and Human Development"

28th & 29th September 2015

Mahidol Learning Center, Mahidol University Salaya, Nakornpatom, Thailand.

1. Justification

Since its inception in 2012, the International Joint Conference on Society and Health has brought together scholars and academics from various countries in the Southeast Asian region to discuss issues that are pertinent to health, social inequity and the issue of globalization. Now in its fourth incarnation, the conference promises to be a platform from which ideas, research findings and arguments regarding scholarly works in the area of Health Social Science may be discussed.

The Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Mahidol University, Thailand and The Department of Behavioral Sciences, De La Salle University, Philippines jointly organizes the international conference themed "Global Health, Society and Human Development". The conference orbits the following:

- 1) Knowledge of the impact of globalization on inequity is not clearly known. Globalization has accelerated in the past few decades and both informal connection in terms of people and information mobility and formal connection such as FTA and AEC are high. While in general, integration will occur in the region, the impact of this integration and globalization on inequity among the people is not known.
- 2) Inequity is very important issue. In the past development has emphasized on growth either in terms of GDP, literacy rate, health status or development. However, mal-distribution of wealth, power and resources within and among the countries in the region and among the regions have had happened in many high growth rate countries, consequently resulting in social and political unrest or unsustainable growth.
- 3) Knowledge about the impact of globalization is in the hand of Western scholars. In the past each country in this region tended to send their scholars to study in the developed countries, and they have learned from and connected with Western scholars. Knowledge exchange and Asian scholar mobility within the region is low. Consequently, the Asian region has a low rate of social networking among Asian scholars.
- 4) Mahidol University and De La Salle University both realize the importance of working beyond present boundaries. Both institutions have aimed to expand cooperation between the two universities to include all of the AEC countries to fill knowledge gaps and create the AEC scholar community to solve the problem of inequity. The fourth installment of the joint international conference is a means towards this end.

2. Objectives

The conference aims at:

- Encouraging scholars to improve their knowledge in social, developmental and health inequities and globalization with respect to the ASEAN and share their knowledge at the conference.
- Building a network of scholars in the ASEAN who will share ideas and findings on issues relevant to society, health, development and globalization.
- The conference will act as a catalyst to reduce inequity in ASEAN Countries via policies that can be forwarded to the AEC Council.

3. The conference main theme:

"Global Health, Society and Human Development"

Areas of interest of the conference include:

- Global health and challenges: situations and trends
- Social determinants of health
- Inequity in health
- Transnational health and international health care
- Emerging infectious diseases and society
- Substance abuse/disorders, including tobacco use and society
- Aging society
- Sexual reproductive health and gender issues

4. Important dates

Submission of paper: 13th July, 2015

Notification of abstract acceptance: 15th -31th July, 2015

Full paper submission: 31th August, 2015

Conference dates: 28th & 29th September, 2015

5. Venue

Mahidol Learning Center, Mahidol University, Salaya, Nakornpatom, Thailand.

6. Participation

Participation is open to those in AEC and non-AEC member countries and to those who work in research and academia, government officials and NGOs that are interested and work on issue of inequity and globalization.

7. Working language

The working language of the conference is the English Language.

8. Registration

The Registration Fee of the conference for students, presenters and participants = 1,500 THB

9. Abstract and Paper Submission & Paper Presentation

- ❖ Abstracts submitted should be between 350 400 words, Times New Roman size 12 font, single spaced.
- Paper should be consistent with main theme and sub-topics of this conference.
- ❖ Papers must not have been presented at a prior conference.
- Arr Length of paper is expected to be between 10 15 pages.
- Format of paper:
 - Must be in Thai or English A4 single spaced.
 - Time New Roman size 12 font.
 - APA Style if the preferred style of citation and referencing.
- Timing of Oral Presentations
 - 20 minutes for presentation by using Microsoft Power point and 5 -10 Q&A.
- ❖ The name of the principal author and presenter must be underlined in the abstract submission.
- ❖ Papers that are scheduled to be presented and are not will not be included in the conference proceedings.

10. Payment Methods:

The registration fee is payable to the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Siam Commercial Bank, Account no. 333-228466-1, Mahidol University Branch (For participants outside of Thailand, kindly use the SWIFT code: SICOTHBK)

11. Contact Information

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