



Impact of the Economic Crisis on Children

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UNICEF Conference
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AGENDA DAY 2: Wednesday, January 7 **Government and Policy Perspectives**

• Plenary Session

Session 3: Government Responses to the Impact of the Crisis

Chair: **Dr Bounthavy Sisouphanthong**,
Vice-Minister, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Government of Lao PDR (*tbc*)

9:00-9:20 *Economic Crisis and Its Social Impact: Lessons from 1997 Asian Economic Crisis*
Professor M. Ramesh
Department of Social Work and Social Administration, University of Hong Kong

9:20-9:30 Government Commentaries on the Presentation
His Excellency Patrick Pruaitch
MP, Minister for Treasury & Finance, Government of the Independent State of
Papua New Guinea (*tbc*)

His Excellency Sela Molisa
Minister of Finance & Economic Management, Government of the Republic of
Vanuatu (*tbc*)

9:30-9:45 Discussion

9:45-10:15 Break

Part A: Government and Policy Perspectives- Best Practice Presentations

Chair: **Her Excellency Carol Kidu**,
Minister, Ministry of Community and Development, Government of the
Independent State of Papua New Guinea

Social Protection and Safety Nets

10:15-10:25 **His Excellency Mr Enkhbold Miyegombo**
Deputy Prime Minister, Government of Mongolia

10:25-10:35 TBC



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10:35-10:45 **Education**

Dr Ibu Nina Sardjunani

Deputy Minister, HR and Cultural Affairs, Ministry of Planning, Government of Indonesia

10:45-10:55 **His Excellency Jesli Lapus**, Secretary, Department of Education, Philippines

10:55-11:05 **Health**

Government of Thailand (*tbc*)

11:05-11:15 **Child Labor**

Mr Dang Hoa Nam

Deputy D.G Bureau of Protection and Care for Children, Ministry of Labor, Invalids and Social Affairs, Government of Vietnam

11:15-11:30 Discussion

• Breakout Sessions

11:30-12:30 **Part B: Expert Working Group Policy Recommendations**

[Parallel sectoral working groups work to identify examples of policy recommendations to address problems discussed on Day 1]

Group A: Social Protection/Family Income Maintenance

Chair:

Presenter in Plenary: **Mr Rui Hanjam**, Vice Minister/Acting Minister of Economy/Finance, Timor-Leste (*tbc*)

Recorder: **Dr Santosh Mehrotra**

Group B: Health and Nutrition

Chair: **Dr Bounfeng Phoummalaysith**, Deputy Director of Cabinet, Ministry of Health, Laos (*tbc*)

Presenter in Plenary: **Dr Safurah Binti Jaafar**, Director, Ministry of Health, Malaysia (*tbc*)

Recorder: **Dr Zulfiqar Ahmed Bhutta**



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Group C: Education

Chair: **Dr Amir Bin Salleh**, Director, Educational Planning and Research Division, Ministry of Education, Malaysia (*tbc*)

Presenter in Plenary: **Ms Thelma Santos**, Assistant Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Philippines (*tbc*)

Recorder: **Dr Ka Ho Mok**

Group D: Child Labor

Chair: **Mr Vang Haeng**, Director, Child Labor, The Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training, Cambodia (*tbc*)

Presenter in Plenary: **Ms Rahma Iryanti**, Director of Labour and Jobs Creation, National Planning Body, Indonesia (*tbc*)

Recorder: **Dr June Kane**

12:30-14:00 **Lunch (hosted by LKY School)**

• Plenary Session

14:00-14:40 **Part C: Expert Working Group Presentations**
[10 minute presentations of Expert Working Group policy recommendations to plenary]

Chair: **Dr Adrian Panggabean**,
Economic Expert/Adviser to the Economic Planning and Development
Department, Prime Minister's Office, Brunei Darussalam

14:40-15:00 Discussion

15:00 **Break**



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Session 4: The Way Forward

15:30-16:15 Senior Panel: synthesis and discussion

Chair: His Excellency Natan Teewe, Minister, Ministry of Finance & Economic Management, Kiribati (*tbc*)

Panelists:

Ms Vanessa Tobin

UNICEF Philippines, Country Representative

Prof Vitit Muntarbhorn,

Vitit Muntarbhorn, Professor of Law, Chulalongkorn University; Chairperson, Thailand's National Sub-Committee on Child Rights; former UN Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children; UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Dr Jaques Jeugman

Asian Development Bank (*tbc*)

Government Rep (*tbc*)

Donor Representative (*tbc*)

16:15-16:30 Closing Remarks

Chair: His Excellency, Paul Tiensten

Minister, Ministry of National Planning and District Development, Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea (*tbc*)

Dr Scott A. Fritzen

Vice Dean, LKY School of Public Policy

Mr KOH Tin Fook

Director, Technical Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore

Ms Anupama Rao Singh

Regional Director, UNICEF EAPRO