

PROFILE OF PRESENTERS AT THE 2019 ASEC INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



Prof Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria – Malaysia – ASEC

Prof Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria is the Principal Research Fellow at the Institute of Ethnic Studies. He holds a PhD in sociology from Oxford Brooks University, United Kingdom. In March 2018 he was confirmed Practice Professor in Public Advocacy by the National University of Malaysia (UKM). He is the Co chair of the Malaysia CSO SDG Alliance. He is a member of the National SDG Steering Committee established by the EPU now the Ministry of Economic Affairs since 2016. In Oct 2017 the United Nations Office in Malaysia awarded the UN Award for special contributions for the promotions of SDGs. He was appointed by the Malaysian Foreign Minister as member of the Malaysian Consultative Council on Foreign Policy on since October, 2018. He is also chair of the Asian Solidarity Economy Council and Board member of the Intercontinental Network for Social Solidarity Economy (RIPESS).



Dr. Ir. Eri Trinurini Adhi MSc. – Indonesia – Bina Swadaya

Dr. Ir. Eri Trinurini Adhi MSc., has more than 20 years of work experiences with the national government, international development agencies, national and international NGOs and consulting firm as well as with communities mostly in the field of project management, community empowerment and policy analysis. Currently, she is a Board Member of Yayasan Bina Swadaya (Self-Reliance Foundation) in Indonesia, a social enterprise with the mission of community development and poverty alleviation. She is also a Board member of the Asian Solidarity Economy Council (ASEC), a hub of networks in Asia associated with the Intercontinental Network for Social Solidarity Economy (RIPESS).



Dr. Benjamin R. Quinones Jr – Philippines – ASEC

Dr. Benjamin R. Quinones Jr. is a Board Member and Director of Organization Development of Livegreen International Inc., a social enterprise engaged in developing an integrated value chain of organic farm produce in the Philippines. He founded the Asian Solidarity Economy Council (ASEC), the continental network in Asia of the Intercontinental Network for the Promotion of Social Solidarity Economy (RIPESS). RIPESS is accredited by UN-

ECOSOC, UN Non-Governmental Liaison Services (UNGLS), and UNCTAD, a member of the UN Task Force on Social Solidarity Economy, and a partner organization of the ILO SSE Academy and the ILO South-South & Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) Academy. He established the Coalition of Socially Responsible SMEs in Asia that pioneered the development of community-based and social enterprises while serving as Programme Coordinator of the inter-governmental organization Asian and Pacific Development Centre (APDC) in Kuala Lumpur (1996-2003) affiliated with UN-ESCAP. He developed and pilot tested in India, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines & Thailand the Self-Help Group Linkage Banking program while serving as Secretary General of the Asia Pacific Rural & Agricultural Credit Association (APRACA) in Bangkok, Thailand (1985-1993), a regional body established by UN-FAO. He holds a PhD in Organization Development from SAIDI School of OD, and Master of Science in Agricultural Economics from the University of the Philippines in Los Baños.

Kon Onn Sein – Malaysia – ASEC



Trained as a barrister, member of the Inner Temple and holds a MA in Social Development from the University of Sussex under a Chevening scholarship. Kon has been in legal practice and has been a partner of a legal firm. In 2000, Mr Kon left his partnership and was appointed managing director of the Foundation for Community Studies and Development. His work focused on poverty alleviation and community development programmes, in particular among the Orang Asli and the urban poor. More recently, the work is focused on developing a pilot community enterprise in natural farming and ensuring the Orang Asli farmers get a fair price for their produce. He is also a Malaysian representative of the Intercontinental Network for the Promotion of Social Solidarity Economy that promotes fair and just businesses. The Foundation for Community Studies and Development have set up OA Organics as a platform to make businesses work for the poor and ensure the OA farmers get fair prices for their produce. Kon is also a member of CSO – SDG Alliance, a civil society partnership with EPU in the formulation of KPIs for the SDG goals in Malaysia. Currently, as General Manager of the Foundation, he is heading the development of a Fair Trade Plus platform for the Orang Asli in natural and integrated farming to ensure sustainable livelihoods and the environment. This is an intentionally designed community enterprise model that gives small producers a fair profit in the value chain.

Chandra Firmantoko ST – Indonesia – ASEC

Chandra Firmantoko ST. is a Director of SukaPawitra, a socio-entrepreneur majoring in agribusiness and waste management in Indonesia. He used his experiences in multinational companies to deliver the values of social solidarity economy through his entrepreneurship. He spreads his good practices to communities



across Indonesia, and empowers them to replicate based on their local wisdoms. Rural people in the villages are to whom closely he promotes social solidarity economy since the majority of economy actors are in the grass roots and the origin of social solidarity is villagers; through collaboration with local government and local CSOs. Currently, he is also a Board Member of Yayasan Bina Swadaya (Self-Reliance Foundation) in Indonesia, a social enterprise with the mission of community development and poverty alleviation. Not only encourage grass roots initiatives, he also promotes their good practices to international through ASEC networks.



Prof. Drs. Purwo Santoso, MA, Ph.D – Indonesia – Nahdlatul Ulama University

He is a professor from the Department of Political and Governmental Sciences who is known as a friendly and humanist person. Known as Pak Purwo's nickname, his contribution as an academic to the scientific world is extraordinary. Getting a doctorate at the University of London by attending a doctor by research program is Purwo's preference for students to be able to argue followed by a knowledge base. For him, scholarship standards can be seen from the competence of arguing, judgment with common sense, and wisdom possessed. Purwo is now given the mandate to lead the Nahdlatul Ulama University. To the Alumni News, he explained, "There is no good leader who applies singularly, a good leader depends on the context he leads." Purwo added, good leadership will be consistent with the traditions and situations being led. "Leadership can manifest to me as diverse and leadership does not have to have a body. If there is a body, the way it works does not have to be governed by bureaucratic logic," he concluded.

Prof. Drs. Catur Sugiyanto, M.A., Ph.D. – Indonesia – Gadjah Mada University

He is Professor of Economics and Senior Researcher of the Center for Economic and Public Policy Studies, Universitas Gadjah Mada. In 2002, he obtained a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, received his MA in Economics University of Alberta, Canada in 1992. He is currently Senior Researcher, Center for Economic and Public Policy Studies, Gadjah Mada University and associate professor, Faculty of Economics and Business, Gadjah Mada University. His main research interests in the area of agricultural and regional development include analyzing the impacts of policy change, fiscal decentralization, financial inclusion, and understanding the productivity of farms and small-medium scale enterprises.



Wahyudi Anggoro Hadi – Indonesia – Village Chief of Panggunharjo

Successfully getting a pharmacy degree, Wahyudi worked his way up as a pharmacist at Japisfi Pharmacy. Unexpectedly, Wahyudi's career developed until he was believed to be a lurah in his residence. Currently Wahyudi is the Village Chief of Panggunharjo Village. This man succeeded in making his village as a tourist village by raising the potential advantage possessed by Dusun Pandes, namely children's toys. Dusun Pandes is now transformed into a tourist village known as Kampoeng Dolanan (re: Kampung Mainan). There we can find a variety of traditional toys and how to make them. Wahyudi succeeded in arousing the enthusiasm of Pandes Hamlet residents so that he was even more active in producing traditional children's toys. Since 2012, under his leadership Panggunharjo has successfully provided several opportunities to increase the capability of their stakeholders and enabled them to actively participate in regional developing process



Laure Jongejans – Europe – RIPESS

Laure Jongejans, European Citizen (French, Dutch, with Spanish origin), with a business management administration and an international cooperation master degrees, has an international career of almost 20 years, out of which 14 years involved in the field of Social Solidarity Economy (SSE) in Europe, Andean region of Latin America, West and Central Africa and Maghreb. After some years spent in business consulting, she oriented her carrier towards international cooperation, where she got seduced and convinced by this way of “doing economy”, SSE, where people are placed at the center. She worked in NGOs, investigation action processes, and consulting in development program evaluations, always in relation to cooperatives and SSE dynamics. After that she decided to join the SSE field itself, and collaborated in starting the activities of a european cooperative services platform focused on the development of SSE in the Mediterranean region, and then worked as a consultant in a local services cooperative giving support both to entrepreneurs and local governments willing to promote SSE in their territory. In April 2016 she joined the RIPESS network (Intercontinental Network for the Promotion of SSE) as Executive Secretary. Based in Barcelona (Catalonia, Spain), she is at the

service of the international Board composed of SSE networks from all continents in order to support the implementation of its international action plan.



Prof. Dr. Michelle, Hei Yan Shum – Hongkong – Institute of International Harmony and Sustainable Development

Prof. Dr. Michelle, Hei Yan Shum is Associate Fellow of the Institute of International Harmony and Sustainable Development, Development Director of Social Service Division of the Victory Ministries International. She is also Assistant Professor at the Department of Social Work, Hong Kong Baptist University. She is an experienced registered social worker who has a wide exposure in various direct social work practices with up-to-date knowledge of relevant legislation, policies and procedures, and how these can be applied to promote the well-being of, and safeguard, individual adults, families, carers, groups and communities. In her research, she focuses on law and social policy, community development, third-sector development and social enterprise, social service management, elder care and rehabilitation. Before joining Hong Kong Baptist University, she was Honorary Lecturer of Department of Social Work and Social Administration at The University of Hong Kong and responsible for courses of Bachelor and Master of Social Work, as well as Master of Non-Profit Management.



Kumar Loganathan – India – ASSEFA

Kumar Loganathan is a post graduate in Environmental Management from the University of Stirling, United Kingdom and a Gold medallist in M.Sc Energy Science from Kamaraj University, India. He has over two decades of experiences in the rural development sector and been associated with various Development Organizations in India. He has been actively involved in promoting community based rural livelihoods, micro financial services, children education, community health and social security for downtrodden people and also involved in designing welfare program for Governments, International Funding Agencies, INGOs and Development Organizations. Presently, Kumar Loganathan is the Director of Sarvodaya Action Research Centre (SARC), promoted by ASSEFA, one of the pioneering Gandhian Organizations in India. Its main purpose is to undertake action research in promoting Gandhian concept of self-reliant rural communities imbued with love, truth and justice. SARC has brought in over 25 research publications and a monthly magazine “Salaram” in Tamil language since 2013. Kumar Loganathan is married and blessed with two children.

Rosalinda Pineda Ofreneo, Ph.D – Philippines – University of the Philippines

Rosalinda Pineda Ofreneo, Ph.D., is professor emeritus of the University of the Philippines. She served as Dean (Nov. 2010 to Jan. 2014) of the College of Social Work and Community Development (CSWCD), University of the Philippines, Diliman, and full professor, Department of Women and Development Studies until she retired at the end of 2016. She has been active in women's and other social movements for more than four decades, learning and working mainly with rural women, women workers, urban poor women, and homebased workers through their organizations. She engaged in volunteer international extension work as Regional Coordinator of



Homenet Southeast Asia, a network of organized homebased workers in five countries from 2006 to 2014, and in this capacity organized subregional workshops on gender, informal work, climate change and participatory disaster risk reduction and management; fair trade; food security; membership-based organizing; and social protection for all, among others. She used to be a Board Member of the Asian Solidarity Economy Council (ASEC)-Philippines, and is currently in the leadership of Homenet Philippines, and Homenet Producers Cooperative. She has published many books, journal articles, policy briefs, and information kits on the following topics: poverty, social protection, climate change, food security, solidarity economy, informal economy, fair trade, debt, poverty, and the environment, micro-finance, prostitution and development, subcontracting and home-based work, migration, child labor and the girl child, rural women, women workers in the export processing zones, gender mainstreaming, Philippine press and media, among many others. Dr. Ofreneo also writes poetry, for which she has received literary awards.

Hiroki Miura – South Korea – Seoul National University

Hiroki Miura is a senior researcher of Center for Social Innovation, Education and Research of Seoul National University, South Korea. His research topics include civil society, social economy, governance, and socio-institutional ecosystem in East Asia. He is also teaching "NGO and citizen politics", "global civil society and governance." He received his Ph.D. in political science from Kyung Hee University, South Korea in 2009 and worked as research professor in the university between 2010-2015. His Ph.D. dissertation won the Excellent Dissertation Award from the Korean Political Science Association in 2009. He has published more than 20



academic articles and participated in more than 20 book projects and central and local governments' policy reports in South Korea. Recently, he is working for a research project of social and solidarity economy in Asia, focusing on its institutional design and region-wide comparison.



Jamal Mohamed Mohamed Niswi - India – Sarvodaya

He is currently working as Director of Project Manager Unit in Sarvodaya and have worked as Project Manager, National Project Coordinator and National Project Manager in Sarvodaya for last 9 years. Experience in managing varieties of projects, Programme planning, Proposal writings, budget preparation and implementation with strong administrative, organizational and interpersonal skill. Worked in several projects, funded by different local and foreign donors including and also having experience in working with Government, L/INGOs and CBOs. Involve in HR related activities such as recruitment, contract agreement, appraisal, Training and development of staff. Having experience in Managing multiple concurrent projects which are focusing on community mobilization, construction, Child education, youth empowerment, livelihood, life skills, vocational training, Health and Nutrition, Mine Risk education, relief for victims and support to conflict affected persons, peace and reconciliation, disaster and emergency response. Supervise and manage district level operation and the staff (Project coordinators, Field officers, Facilitators and other field staffs.

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