



Invitation Letter

***The International Conference on the Interdisciplinary Field of
Gender Studies***

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Dear Dr. Chonchanok Viravan,

Greetings from Taiwan!

As Director of Department of Social Affairs in Ministry of the Interior (MOI) and CEO of Foundation for Women's Rights Promotion and Development (FWRPD), it is my pleasure to invite you to attend "*The International Conference on the Interdisciplinary Field of Gender Studies*" in Taipei on Oct 31, 2007.

The FWRPD takes charge of APEC issues related gender in Chinese Taipei. In order to echo APEC-WLN and GFPN recommendations this year, we are organizing this conference which covers three sessions: 1) gender in action in crossing cutting issues, 2) gender and economics, 3) gender and labor mobility, and concludes with one Q&A session. It will be grateful if we could have you to be our speaker with your generous consideration in this event. Your excellent opinion and experiences will greatly give participants a clear understanding about how to advance women economic empowerment. Your kind speech will be much appreciated as the success of the event.

Regarding your travel expenses, including a round economy class airfare, local transportation, meals, and three-night accommodation during your stay in Taiwan, they will be paid by the FWRPD. Please kindly inform us if your schedule is open. We really appreciate that you could be attending the conference. Please feel free to contact us if you need any further information.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Taipei.

Sincerely yours,

Chung-ming Tseng

Chung-ming Tseng
Director, Department of Social Affairs, Ministry of the Interior
CEO, Foundation for Women's Rights Promotion and Development



The International Conference on the Interdisciplinary Field of Gender Studies

Background

In APEC-WLN and GFPN meetings this year, the main themes are tackled: APEC economies should continually take gender into account in policies, programs, and projects, facilitate the full participation of women in economics, and address women and labor mobility. In order to echo these recommendations, Chinese Taipei organizes *The International Conference on the Interdisciplinary Field of Gender Studies* to have further research and exploration in these gender issues.

Program Outline

1. Objectives:

This conference is designed for echoing APEC-WLN and GFPN recommendations and its objectives are to

- Put APEC-WLN and GFPN recommendations in action;
- Develop and explore APEC gender studies in cross cutting sectors;
- Promote women rights and exchange experiences in doing gender work in Asian-Pacific regions.

2. Date:

October 31, 2007

3. Venue:

NTHU International Convention Center, Room 402 (No.2, Syujhou Rd., Taipei)

4. Participants

- Members of Commission on Women's Rights Promotion



- Gender experts and scholars
- Government gender focal points and representatives from Chinese Taipei's APEC working groups
- Representatives in private sectors

5. Host Organization

Supported by: Commission on Women's Rights Promotion and Ministry of the Interior

Organized by: Foundation for Women's Rights Promotion and Development

6. Language

The conference will be conducted in English and Mandarin (Simultaneous Interpretation provided).

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【Agenda】(Draft)

Date: Oct 31, 2007

Venue: NTHU International Convention Center

Time	Agenda
08:30~9:00	Registration
09:00~09:10	Opening Open Remarks: Representative from Ministry of the Interior
09:10~09:50	Session One: Gender in Action in Crossing Cutting Issues Moderator: Dr. Li-yeh Fu (Commissioner, Commission on Women's Rights Promotion, Executive Yuan) <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. "Gender Mainstreaming in APEC Economies" Dr. Jacqui True (GFPN Independent Interviewer, University of Auckland, New Zealand)2. "Put Gender into Practice in Chinese Taipei's Experience" Mr. Chung-ming Tseng (Director, Department of Social Affairs, MOI; Chinese Taipei's Gender Focal Point)
09:50~10:10	Q&A
10:10-10:30	Tea Break
10:30~11:30	Session Two: Gender and Economics: Advancing Women's Economic Participation Moderator: Ms. Hope Ong (Commissioner, Commission on Women's Rights Promotion, Executive Yuan) <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. "Research on Women's e-Business in Taiwan" Ms. Su-Wan Wang (Vice Director, Division of Taiwan Economy Chung-Hua Institution for Economic Research)2. "How to Advance Women Economic Empowerment" Dr. Chonchanok Viravan (President, BPW International, Thailand) (to be confirmed)3. "Women's Participation in APEC: Then and Now" Ms. Heather Gibb (Senior Researcher, North South Institute, Canada) (to be confirmed)
11:30~12:00	Q&A
12:00~13:30	Lunch
13:30~14:30	Session Three: Gender and Labor Mobility: Issues on Migrant Women Workers Moderator: Ms. Erica Y.C. Wu (Commissioner, Commission on Women's Rights Promotion, Executive Yuan)



1. “Globalization, International Migrants and Gender Justice”
Ms. Yu-ling Ku (Secretary General, Taiwan International Workers Association)
2. Issue on “Immigration Spouses and Employment in Taiwan”
Dr. Hsiao-Chuan Hsia (Associate Professor, Shih Hsin University)
3. “Policy and Action on Migrant Women Workers in Taiwan”
Representative from Council of Labor, Executive Yuan

14:30~14:50

Tea Break

14:50~15:30 Q&A Session

Moderator: Ms. Ching-yu Chou (Commissioner, Commission on Women’s Rights Promotion, Executive Yuan)

Discussant: Dr. Jacqui True, Dr. Chonchanok Viravan, Ms. Heather Gibb, Ms. Su-Wan Wang, Ms. Yu-ling Ku, Dr. Hsiao-Chuan Hsia, and Representative from Council of Labor

15:30~

Closing

Daily Schedule (Draft)

	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
Morning		<i>The International Conference on the Interdisciplinary Field of Gender Studies</i>	Field / Cultural Visit	Departure
Afternoon	Arrival Check in at the Hotel			
Night	Free	Welcome Dinner	Free	