



# **5<sup>th</sup> UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM**

**A LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME IN SOCIAL CHANGE**

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**AUGUST 1 TO 7, 2014 | PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA**



*Another Leadership in Social Change Program by Humanitarian Affairs United Kingdom*

# UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM 2014

One thousand of the world's Outstanding Students will come together for the 5th University Scholars Leadership (USL) Symposium in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

This annual event hosted by Humanitarian Affairs United Kingdom is specially designed to provide the next generation leaders an understanding of key sustainable development challenges, and to motivate them to realise their potential as agents of change through motivational talks by renowned international trainers and inspiring lectures by experienced humanitarian leaders.

The program will allow Promising Youth Leaders from Institutions of Higher Learning and NGOs the necessary knowledge and skills to initiate humanitarian services to the Global Poor.

It will also provide them with opportunities for growth and involvement. The University Scholars Leadership Symposium will engage participants and enable them to deliver humanitarian aid to disadvantaged communities in poverty-driven and disaster-prone nations.



## HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS

**H**umanitarian Affairs, United Kingdom provides a venue for young people to be trained in doing social development work in order to nurture them into world-class citizens with a global mindset towards alleviating the problems of communities in need.

It runs programmes across different nations through the relief efforts they extend to countries and communities that are poverty and disaster-stricken. Humanitarian Affairs believes that encountering different cultures and providing aid to those suffering abroad facilitates both intellectual and emotional development for the young people it mentors. Through its projects, Humanitarian Affairs aspires to transform momentary feelings of compassion into a long-lasting sense of responsibility, community and sympathy for the Global Poor.

Humanitarian Affairs is a London-based non-profit, non-government organisation. As a social enterprise, it is incorporated under the Company Act of 1985 and registered with the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales.

Humanitarian Affairs Asia Regional Headquarter is based in Thailand. Humanitarian Affairs is a member of the World Association of Non-Governmental Organizations and the World Alliance for Citizens.



# PHNOM PENH SYMPOSIUM 2014

The Phnom Penh Symposium will bring 1,000 of the world's promising student leaders in the field of sustainable development together in August 2014. It offers a unique opportunity to network with young leaders from 45 countries and those who share the same passion for alleviating the plight of the poor.

Humanitarian Affairs United Kingdom recognises the importance to enhance delegates' experiences beyond merely acquiring new knowledge on humanitarian services. Thus, nurturing creative thinkers and grooming aspiring leaders are two important programs of the Phnom Penh Symposium. Our goal is for every delegate to experience activities that contribute to their holistic development and empower them to become excellent global citizens dedicated to service leadership.





## PUSHPA BASNET - NEPAL

Pushpa Basnet, a CNN Hero of the Year 2012, is a 28-year old lady from Nepal whose ambition is set on the dreams of the children she cares for. All of these children once lived in Nepali prisons with their incarcerated parents. For seven years, she has been running a children's centre to provide these children with education, food, medical care and the opportunity to live through a happy and normal childhood outside of prison walls. Pushpa had her calling to help these children at the early age of 21. Even though she came from a well-to-do family that ran a successful business, she chose to study social work in college.

As one of her requirements in class, she visited a women's prison and was deeply struck by the living conditions of the imprisoned women. What moved her more was the fact that some of the children of these women stayed with them in prison. One such child tugged at her shawl and smiled at her while she was going around the prison facility. It was then when she felt a strong urge to get these children out of an imprisoned life they did not deserve.

Two months after her first visit to the prison, she began a daycare centre that started with just five children. Pushpa would pick them up every weekday morning, take them to the centre and bring them back to their mothers in prison in the afternoon. Her work eventually grew into a full-fledged home called the Butterfly Home after two years since the start of her programme. About 40 children were living in the centre along with Pushpa. Her children from the home call her "Mamu" because the loving and motherly care she gave to all children who have received her guidance.

Pushpa continues to provide the best things in life for her children. With about 80 children still living inside prison walls, she is determined to bring them out to live out her promise as "Mamu" to these children in need.

SPEAKERS



## ROBIN LIM - USA

Robin Lim is a CNN Hero of the Year 2011 Awardee for her work in promoting maternal health care and traditional birthing techniques for disadvantaged mothers in Bali, Indonesia. She was pushed into pursuing midwifery in 1995 after experiencing the loss of three important women in her life—her midwife, Sunny Supplee, her best friend, Brenda Swartz, and her younger sister, Christine Kim who died while carrying a baby in her womb.

Emerging from her suffering, she decided to live her life only for love and envelope those around her with this same love. These were the beginnings of her commitment to providing mothers and babies a safe and loving environment during a mother's pregnancy, childbirth and thereafter especially after moving to Bali, Indonesia with her family.

Robin encountered challenges during her pregnancy and in her hunt for safe midwifery in Bali. It was through this experience that she decided to put up Yayasan Bumi Sehat (Healthy Mother Earth Foundation) with the help of family members and good friends. The clinic's humble beginnings started out in providing prenatal care from Robin's house. Eventually, the demand for her expertise and care grew as more and more people sought her help in giving safe maternal care for mothers who did not have enough money to pay for such services. She became known as "Ibu Robin" for her work in providing free prenatal care, birthing services and other support for them.



## GERALDINE COX - AUSTRALIA

Geraldine started her career with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs in 1970. Her first posting was to Phnom Penh, where she experienced life in a country at war when the Vietnam War spilled over into Cambodia.

After resigning from the government in 1987 she worked for 8 years with The Chase Manhattan Bank in Sydney before deciding to live in Cambodia in 1996.

Geraldine's original experiences in Cambodia never left her and on a return visit in 1993 she became involved in helping an orphaned Cambodian child. From that small beginning Geraldine co-founded what is now the Sunrise Children's Villages.

Pan Macmillan published Geraldine's autobiography, *Home Is Where the Heart Is* in 2000 and Hollywood bought the rights to make a feature film based on her book.

The documentary, *My Khmer Heart*, won the Hollywood Film Festival Documentary of the Year Award in 2000 and has since been bought and screened by HBO and Discovery Cable Channels.

Her story has been featured on Australian Television over the last few years on Australian Story, The Sunday Program, This Is Your Life, Four Corners, Today Tonight, The 7.30 Report, 60 Minutes and Talking Heads.



## **FRANCIS KONG - PHILIPPINES**

Francis Kong is the Philippines' top inspirational speaker and leadership guru. As an excellent communicator, Francis is trained and licensed by Maximum Impact of Atlanta Georgia to conduct the Maxwell leadership programmes, and by the Ziglar Corporation in London for the Ziglar Sales and Presentation programs.

Francis is the president of Success Options Publishing Company and began his career in the manufacturing and retail industry. His wealth of experience as a co-founder of a popular company and in running a retail chain for many years allows him to provide premium business advice. He has founded and co-founded successful enterprises such as the Success Options Publishing Company, FunWorks, Inc., and Inspire Leadership Consultancy.

With a gift in writing, Francis communicates excellence in business and leadership to his audiences through his 14 book titles and weekly business columns in The Philippines Star. His writings have earned him high praise from Channel News Asia of Singapore. He also seizes opportunities to inspire people through his frequent guest appearances in Shoptalk, Umagang Kay Ganda, and other top-rating programmes in free TV and cable channels.

Francis is highly respected for the dedication he puts into all of his endeavors. In all of his actions, he projects his personal motto of "inspiring excellence" in people as a speaker, writer, broadcaster, entrepreneur and family man.



## **PAMELA WIGGLESWORTH - USA**

Pamela Wigglesworth is an American international corporate trainer, inspiring speaker and managing director of Experiential Hands-on Learning, a training and development consultancy firm.

Pamela has been living in Asia for over 20 years and works with various organisations to enhance their branding and marketing communications. She specialise in providing trainings on presentation skills, personal communication skills and self-effectiveness.

She has a love of learning which keeps her at the top of her game and enjoys passing on that knowledge to those in her courses. Utilizing her enthusiasm and leadership skills she is able to engage every participant through teaching and activities that help them growth as an individual.

She has lectured on general business subjects for Regent Business School, Raffles Institute of Design and the Asian Centre for Professional Excellence. As part of a United Nations Development Programme effort, she conducted retail business plan development training for several Bhutanese companies.

She is a member of the Asia Professional Speakers and served as the 2011-2012 Vice President. She is a member of the American Chamber of Commerce and a founding board member of the PrimeTime Business and Professional Women's Association. She has had multiple articles published in the various newspapers and magazines.

# Essential LifeSkills

## Building Your Confidence

Your confidence will grow over time, but you can give yourself a head-start by becoming comfortable with your own personality, understanding and learning about other people's, and following a few confidence-boosting tips from our trainers.



## Overcoming Fear of Failure

Failure is not a nice word to hear, but we all have to face it now and again. It's important to remember that, although it can often feel like the end of the world at the time, a failure is how we learn and develop. Try changing the way you view failure.





## WORKSHOP SESSION

There are four workshop sessions where the delegates can choose to attend. All the workshop sessions will focus on building a sustainable future for the less fortunate communities.

To build a Better World, we believe in building the characters of our young leaders by involving and allowing them to lead these new initiatives.

**Creating a Sustainable  
Future for Sunrise  
Children Home,  
Cambodia**

**Developing a Fund  
Raising Strategies  
for Bumi Sehat ,  
Indonesia**

**My First Step  
Humanitarian Journey  
HumanitarianAffairs  
United Kingdom**

**Reaching Out to the  
Children of Butterfly  
Home, Nepal**

## A VOICE IN SOCIAL CHANGE

Humanitarian Affairs has started a search for ground-breaking projects that will help alleviate poverty. Participants of the Phnom Penh Symposium 2014 are invited to submit their proposals on the following topics:

1. Using education as a means to break free from poverty
2. Creating a sustainable community programme to end poverty

The organisations believe that the youth are able to make a positive change in the world. With mentorship and resource support from Humanitarian Affairs, the youth will be able to furnish projects of the best quality and the highest social impact.

The Symposium presents the “Voice in Social Change” as an opportunity for its young delegates to turn their social development proposals into a reality to ultimately help disadvantaged communities in the world.

To help the youth turn their ideas into reality, Humanitarian Affairs will provide winning participants with close mentorship for 12-months and cash grants of up to USD 2,000 to be given progressively to the top 2 projects.



# LEARNING JOURNEY



The Learning Journey of the USL Symposium is that one-day in the weeklong event wherein the delegates have the opportunity to do humanitarian work. This activity is a full day dedicated to spending time with children of disadvantaged backgrounds to help the delegates have a better grasp of the field of humanitarian work. Delegates have the opportunity to put what they learn into practice and dive “into the trenches” of sustainable development through a variety of humanitarian service projects.

Truly, the Learning Journey is the heart of the USL Symposium. Not only do the delegates get to impart lessons on the children, but they also take home with them life lessons that these children in turn give to them. The Learning Journey is one unforgettable event for the many lives it touches at the end of the day.

# WHY JOIN THE SYMPOSIUM ?

Do you have a passion to alleviate the disease of global poverty?

Do you have a vision of Doing Something for the Global Poor?

Have you also thought of becoming a Young Role Model to inspire others and to make a positive contribution in this World?

If you are that person with passion, vision and positive motivation, then you should attend the University Scholars Leadership Symposium in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

We at Humanitarian Affairs can empower you to take concrete action to realize your vision and passion!

The Symposium will teach you exactly what you should know from planning, managing and implementing a successful humanitarian service project in your local communities or around the globe. We provide guidance and leadership training to bring about social change to those who share our vision.

If you want to be an Agent of Change, this is an opportunity not to be missed.

Be a part of the Movement to bring positive change to the world!

Humanitarian Affairs welcomes anyone aged between 17 to 30 years old. Any graduate or young professional who wishes to learn about Humanitarian initiatives is encouraged to join the Symposium. Those who may participate are:

- Non-Profit Organisation Leaders
- Non-Government Organisation Leaders
- Foundations Leaders
- Humanitarian Relief Organisations
- Civil Service Personnel
- Social Entrepreneurs
- International Volunteer Leaders
- Youth Leaders
- Aspiring Volunteer Leaders
- Volunteers Who Want to Make Difference



**Be Part of the Global Movement and Participate in the Symposium**  
**Leadership in Social Change**  
**Happening in Phnom Penh, Cambodia**  
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## registration fee

All applicants must pass through the Organisation's screening process. Successful applicants must confirm their participation by paying their registration fee. Delegates must choose from the rates below to determine which package better suits their needs.

	Full Symposium Registration Fee (Individual)	Full Symposium Registration Fee (Group of 3)	Convention & Networking Access (Meals without Breakfast)
Early Registration From 1 Sept. 2013 to 30 April 2014	THB 25,000	THB 24,000	THB 18,000
Late Registration From 1 May 2014 to 20 July 2014	THB 27,000	THB 25,000	THB 20,000
6-Night Accommodation on a Twin-Sharing basis	✓	✓	
Participation in the Learning Journey	✓	✓	✓
Meals including 6 Breakfast Meals, 5 Lunch Meals and 6 Coffee Breaks	✓	✓	✓
One Piece of Souvenir T-shirt	✓	✓	✓
Entry to All Guest Lectures and the Plenary Sessions	✓	✓	✓
Entry to all Networking Sessions	✓	✓	✓
Local Transportation during Official Activities	✓	✓	✓
A Certificate of Participation	✓	✓	✓

# OUR DELEGATES WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE

## **Angelica Casado (Australia)**

After attending the USL Symposium in Pattaya, Thailand, Angelica was inspired to create a relief appeal to her university which raised more than \$5,000 AUD for the Thai flood victims in 2011. Her leadership and involvement in community work has garnered her the title of being Australia's sole representative to the World Summit in Mexico.

## **Holly Ransom (Australia)**

Holly was truly inspired at the Melaka Symposium and she decided to become a social entrepreneur running a business centered on helping young people realize their full potentials & leading innovative change in not-for-profit organisations.

## **Brandon Louise Medrano (Philippines)**

Brandon decided to do something worthwhile after attending the Pattaya Symposium. He set-up a Humanitarian Affairs Chapter in his college to benefit more young people. Under his leadership, the HA Chapter was able to collect 21,800 plastic bottles in a single day. The collected bottles were recycled and funds raised were used to buy 171 chairs for a school in the Isabela Province of the Philippines that was devastated by the Typhoon Washi back in 2011.

## **Ibrahim Olouch (Kenya)**

Ibrahim was a delegate of the first and second USL Symposium. Ever since his participation in the two Symposiums, he had coordinated with the organisation to set-up Humanitarian Affairs Chapters in three African countries and has recently organised a training camp to teach more African youths on sustainable livelihood.

## **Teresa Seminara (Canada)**

In May 2011, Teresa was awarded with the Youth Medal by the Quebec Lieutenant Governor for her work with Humanitarian Affairs and through the Humanitarian Affairs Chapter which she initiated after having been inspired to do humanitarian work by participating in the USL Symposium in Melaka in 2010.

## **Laura Sykes (Australia)**

It was indeed a truly life-changing experience for Laura. It allowed her to learn more about global humanitarian issues and the challenges facing those involved in the field of social development. In her pursuit to share the knowledge she gained from the Symposium, she started her own Vision Group through Vision Generation, World Vision's youth movement, in order for her to educate and empower students in her university about key humanitarian issues.

## **Katie Blundy (Australia)**

Katie's passion was ignited after her participation in the USL Symposium. After the Symposium, she has dedicated her time and her talents in creating sustainable livelihood for a Zulu community in South Africa as she works full time on a cultural tourism project that aims to empower and generate income for the members of this community.



# TESTIMONIALS FROM THE COLLEGES

It is such a wonderful opportunity for me to have been part of the USL symposium in my capacity as a faculty observer. My experiences in Pattaya, Thailand in 2011 and in Bali, Indonesia in 2012 have been great. I have seen how the delegates all over the world have been transformed into more responsible members of the community. I have also witnessed how our scholar-delegates have developed their leadership skills. In fact, they have been able to organize the Humanitarian Affairs De La Salle Health Sciences Institute Chapter. Indeed, USL symposium makes one's dreams happen. See you in the Philippines for the 4th USL Symposium '13.

**Dr. Johnny O. Cabanias**

Director for Academic Services

De La Salle Health Sciences Institute, Philippines

My participation as a faculty observer in the last University Scholars Leadership Symposium has been an experience of a lifetime. I have come to witness peoples from different cultures, different religions and different races, working together, living together, and loving together; peoples from various nations and various languages unified by the common spirit of giving, loving, sharing, caring, and cooperating and raring to become their own persons.

In this symposium, I had an awesome experience of learning new things, meeting good friends, building and nurturing relationships, and creating networks with delegates from other universities; as well as visiting wonderful locations and enjoying places of interest in the host country.

My wish is for more people to learn and share the same wonderful opportunities and amazing experiences I had.

You, too, can have the same opportunity in Manila! You, too, can have your chance to live the Humanitarian Affairs Experience in Manila! Have more fun in the Manila Symposium 2013!

**Mr. Severino P. Pader**

VP Administration, Student Services

Technological Institute of the Philippines, Philippines

What is the *most* important thing to be a leader? It is not a question of *how to be* a leader or *what kind of skills* we need to be a leader, but it is about *for what* we exercise our leadership. In my opinion, it is not for ourselves, but for the others, and more importantly, for our society. I am talking about *social responsibility* of the leaders. 'Our society' is not referred to only our country, but it is extended to global community and all mankind. The USL Symposium in Bali did not provide the young student leaders from around the world with only the skills of being leader, but also the social responsibility. The Bali Symposium delivered experiences and inspiration from many international esteemed leaders who have utilized their leadership to help people and to make our society and the world better. More importantly, it was the process of activity-based learning to understand, to analyze, to plan and to act to solve problems in our society. And the most wonderful outcome was the participants can learn from each other. Not only can the student leaders learn, but also I learned, with amusement. And that made the Bali Symposium the best and the most enjoyable symposium I had attended over the past few years.

**Asst. Prof. Dr. Prinya Thaewanarumitkul**

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# **AUGUST 1 - 7, 2014**

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## **PROGRAMME 2014**

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# UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME SCHEDULE 2014

## **DAY 1 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2014**

Arrival of Delegates

## **DAY 2 – SATURDAY, August 2, 2014**

**0700 hrs** - Breakfast

**0900 hrs** - To board the Bus

**0915 hrs** - Bus to Leave for Convention Centre

**0945 hrs** - To be Seated

**1015 hrs** - Musical Performance

**1100 hrs** - Arrival of Guest-of-Honour

**1105 hrs** - Cultural Performance

**1130 hrs** - Welcome Address

**1145 hrs** - Opening Address

**1215 hrs** - Official Opening Ceremony

**1220 hrs** - Presentation of Memento

**1230 hrs** - Lunch Reception

**1350 hrs** - Delegate to be Seated

**1400 hrs** - **Keynote Address**

**1530 hrs** - Tea Reception

**1615 hrs** - Delegate to be Seated

**1630 hrs** - **Shine On** by Geraldine Cox, Sunrise Children Home, Cambodia

**1800 hrs** - Briefing on Experiential Learning Journey

**1830 hrs** - Bus to Leave for Hotel

## **DAY 3 – SUNDAY, August 3, 2014**

**0700 hrs** - Breakfast

**0830 hrs** - To board the Bus

**0900 hrs** - Experiential Learning Journey

**1800 hrs** - Return to Hotel

## **DAY 4 – MONDAY, August 4, 2014**

**0700 hrs** - Breakfast

**0815 hrs** - To board the Bus

**0830 hrs** - Leave for Convention Centre

**0900 hrs** - To be Seated

**0930 hrs** - **New Born** by Ibu Robin Lim, CNN Hero of the Year 2011

**1100 hrs** - Tea Reception

**1145 hrs** - **Behind Bars** by Pushpa Bashnet, CNN Hero of the Year 2012

**1315 hrs** - Lunch Reception

**1415 hrs** - To be Seated

**1430 hrs** - **The Garbage Man** by Chad Pregracke, CNN Hero of the Year 2013

**1600 hrs** - Tea Reception

**1645 hrs** - **Making of a Young Hero** by Pamela Wigglesworth  
Managing Director, Experiential Learning, USA

**1815 hrs** - End of Session

**1845 hrs** - Bus to Leave for Hotel

## **DAY 5 – TUESDAY, August 5, 2014**

**0700 hrs** - Breakfast

**0815 hrs** - To board the Bus

**0830 hrs** - Leave for Convention Centre

**0900 hrs** - To be Seated

**0930 hrs** - **The Voice in Social Change** a Sustainable Development Contest

**1100 hrs** - Tea Reception

**1145 hrs** - **The Day After Tomorrow** by Scott Neeson ( \* )  
Founder of Cambodian Children's Fund

**1315 hrs** - Lunch Reception

**1415 hrs** - To be Seated

**1430 hrs** - **Modern Day Slavery** by Don Brewster, Agape International Cambodia ( \* )

**1600 hrs** - Tea Reception

**1645 hrs** - **Building Your Confidence** by Craig Harper ( \* )  
Founder & Trainer, Harper Personal Training, Australia

**1815 hrs** - End of Session

**1845 hrs** - Bus to Leave for Hotel

## **DAY 6 – WEDNESDAY, August 6, 2014**

**0700 hrs** - Breakfast

**0815 hrs** - To board the Bus

**0830 hrs** - Leave for Convention Centre

**0900 hrs** - To be Seated

**0915 hrs** - Plenary Session - **Sowing the Seeds of Change**

**1100 hrs** - Tea Reception

**1145 hrs** - **Who Am I ?** by Francis Kong, Director of Inspire Leadership Consultancy, Philippines

**1330 hrs** - Lunch Reception

**1500 hrs** - To be Seated

**1530 hrs** - Closing Ceremony

**1700 hrs** - **Tea Reception**

**1730 hrs** - Good Bye Cambodia !

**1830 hrs** - Bus to Leave for Hotel

## **DAY 7 – THURSDAY, August 7, 2014**

Departure of Delegates

### **NOTE**

- ( \* ) denotes to be confirmed.
- This programme is subject to changes without further notice.



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