

UY-ANU Myanmar Update Forum

Day One

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

11:15 Welcome

Pro Rector Omar Kyaw, University of Yangon

Professor Michael Wesley, ANU

11:30 Keynote and Q & A

Professor Dr Aung Tun Thet (Special Representative of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi)

12:30 Lunch

1:30 Panel One: Conflict, authority and peace

Chair: Professor Chaw Chaw Sein, University of Yangon

Lwin Cho Latt, University of Yangon, “‘All Inclusiveness’ in Myanmar’s Peace process”

Khin Maung Yin, UNSW ADFA, “Incomplete nation-building and political leadership in Myanmar”.

Sai Lone, Transnational Institute, “Conflict and drugs”.

Nicholas Farrelly, ANU, “Reflections on building a more peaceful Myanmar”

3:00 Afternoon tea

3:30 Panel Two: Hope, risk and rural life

Chair: Professor Mya Mya Khin, University of Yangon

Ikuko Okamoto, Kyoto University, “Rural life in transition”

Kyan Htoo, MDRI CESD, “The Role of Hope in Myanmar’s Rural Transformation’

Justine Chambers, ANU, “Coming of Age in Hpa-an: Hope and visions of the ‘good’ life”.

Mike Griffiths, Myanmar Social Policy and Poverty Institute, “Precarity and community social organizations in rural Myanmar”.

4:45 **Program ends for Day One**

6:30 **Dinner for panelists and UY team**

Day Two

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9:15 **Panel Three: Economic Upheaval**

Introductory Remarks: Michael Wesley, ANU. “Asia’s new geo-economics”

SiuSue Mark, Erasmus University & Youyi Zhang, Cornell University. “The Impact of New Forms of Transnational Capital on Chinese Investments in Myanmar”

Myat Thida Win, MDRI-CESD. “Agricultural Mechanization in Rural Myanmar”.

Luke Corbin, ANU. “Crafting a Golden Beverage: Ripples in Myanmar's Beer Industry.”

10:30 Morning Tea

11:15 **Panel Four: Rights, justice and welfare**

Chair: Dr Yin Myo Thu, University of Yangon

Sam Pursch, World Bank. “Insights from Five Rounds of World Bank’s Myanmar Qualitative Social and Economic Monitoring Research”.

Than Pale and Hla Hla Kyi, University of Yangon, “Legal hybridity and everyday justice in a Mon village”.

Gerard McCarthy, ANU. “Self-reliance projects as durable

authoritarian governmentality”

Yaw Bawm Mangshang, Independent Researcher, “Social welfare and legitimacy”

12:30 Lunch:
Presentation on ‘Getting Started with Contemporary Myanmar’
by ANU & UY students

1:30 Panel Five: UY-ANU Government Partnerships for Development Showcase

Chair: Nicholas Farrelly, ANU

Ni Win Zaw and Roxanne Missingham, “Digital literacy education in Myanmar”

Simon McClusky and Day Wa Aung, “Mapping active faults and earthquake hazards in Myanmar”

Hla Ngwe, “Therapeutic structures in Myanmar plants”

San Shwe, “Archaeology teaching and research methodologies”

2:45 Roundtable: Prospects and trajectories for reform

Khin Zaw Win, Tampadipa Institute

Khin Thidar Aye, ANU

Tom Kean, Frontier Myanmar

Prof Chaw Chaw Sein, UY

4:00 Wrap-up

4:15 Conference closes