

**SocDem Asia Pacific - Progressive Alliance Joint Conference Working for New Progressive Era** 

30 - 31 July 2024, Manila, Philippines

# **Program Schedule**

July 29, 2024, Monday

Arrivals of SocDem Asia Pacific Steering Committee Members and Delegations and Welcome Dinner at the Hotel at 19:00 hrs at The Manila Hotel, 1 Rizal Park, Ermita, Manila

#### July 30, 2024, Tuesday

12:00 hrs - Lunch

Venue: Café Ilang Ilang, 1st Floor of The Manila Hotel

13:00 – 17:00 hrs – Steering Committee Meeting of SocDem Asia Pacific

Venue: Roma Salon, 1st Floor, The Manila Hotel

14:00 hrs onwards - Arrivals and Billeting of Progressive Alliance delegations

18:30 hrs - Meet Up at The Manila Hotel Lobby: Travel to Dinner Reception

19:00 hrs - Fellowship Dinner

Venue: Café Castellana, Intramuros Old Town, Manila

Attire: Semi-formal



#### July 31, 2024, Wednesday

Conference Venue:

Venue: Roma Salon, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, The Manila Hotel

9:00 hrs - Asia in Focus: Democracy Caravan

Meet and discuss with representatives of sister parties in Asia on key democratic challenges and sharing of learnings from the ground.

Indian National Congress
Shan Nationalities League for Democracy
Move Forward Party Thailand
Democratic Action Party
Nasdem Party Indonesia
Mongolian People's Party

10:30 hrs - Break

### 11:00 hrs - Leaders Panel 1: Responding to Crises with International Solidarity

How can political parties leverage international solidarity networks to address domestic crises such as natural disasters, political instability, and socioeconomic challenges? What role can progressive political parties play in fostering solidarity and cooperation among nations to address global challenges such as democratic erosion, climate change, migration, and public health crises?

In what ways can progressive actors contribute to multilateral efforts to strengthen global governance mechanisms and promote equitable access to resources and opportunities in times of crisis?

What can concretely demonstrate solidarity and international cooperation in these times of persistent problems at different levels? How do we form a strengthened network to face these challenges?

Lidia Dos Santos Martins Member of Parliament and Chair of Women Parliamentarians Fretilin, Timor Leste

Upedra Yadav Former Deputy Prime Minister of Nepal, People's Socialist Party



Josh Osih Chairman, Social Democratic Front – Cameroon

Esteban Paulon Regional Coordinator, Alianza Progresista de Americas

Lasse Ryberg Secretary General, Social Democratic Party of Denmark

Risa Hontiveros Senator of the Republic of the Philippines, Akbayan

13:00 hrs - Family Photo and Lunch

### 14:00 hrs - Leaders Panel 2: Transforming the New Era for Democracy and Social Justice

How can political parties and progressive movements leverage international solidarity networks to address existing crises and build resilience in communities globally (i.e. concrete strategies for fostering collaboration and cooperation among political parties, civil society organizations, and grassroots movements to respond effectively to crises such as wars and humanitarian emergencies, climate change, pandemics, and inequalities)?

What are top policy reforms and social justice measures can political parties advocate for to address systemic inequalities and promote inclusive governance in the midst of ongoing crises?

How can political parties and progressive movements articulate a vision for a new era of social democracy that resonates with the realities and aspirations of diverse communities, while acknowledging the complexities of global challenges (i.e. vision for a new era of social democracy and social justice that is rooted in the lived experiences of people affected by crises and informed by the principles of solidarity, inclusion, and human rights)?

Sondang Tampubolon Regional Coordinator, Network for Social Democracy Asia Pacific

Salman Kurshid Former Foreign Minister of India, Indian National Congress

Reiner Hoffmann Deputy President, Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation



Pita Limjaroenrat

Leader, Move Forward Party Thailand

Giacomo Filibeck

Secretary General, Party of European Socialists

Rafaela David

President, Akbayan Citizens' Action Party Philippines

16:00 hrs - **Closing** 

Machris Cabreros

Coordinator, Progressive Alliance

Gio Tingson

Chairperson, Akbayan Citizens Action Party

16:00 hrs Space for Bilateral Meetings

18:00 hrs - Travel to Fellowship Dinner

19:00 hrs - Fellowship Dinner hosted by Akbayan Citizens' Action Party Philippines

Venue: Sky Deck Restaurant, Bayleaf Hotel, Intramuros Old Town Manila

## August 1, 2024, Thursday

10:00 hrs - Invitation to Observe the Congress Opening of

Akbayan Citizens Action Party

Transportation will be at the hotel entrance at 9:30 hrs for those who would like to attend the Congress Ceremonies. Ushers and translators will be present.

12:00 hrs - Check out and Departures