



3rd CALD Youth Political Academy:
Strengthening Youth Participation in Politics and Civic Education
25 – 29 July 2019
Bangkok, Thailand

CONCEPT NOTE

Over the past two years, the youth arm of the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD), the CALD Youth, has been training young political leaders through the CALD Youth Political Academy (CYPA). CYPA is envisioned as a novel and creative youth leadership programme that provides its participants the space to imagine, inspire and innovate so they can come up with alternative solutions to the issues and problems confronting the Asian region and beyond.

The inaugural CYPA held in Hong Kong in 2017 witnessed active youth leaders from CALD member-parties, young start-ups executives, prominent youth leaders from Hong Kong, and the International Federation of Liberal Youth (IFLRY), joined together for “The 3Is of Leadership: Imagine, Inspire, Innovate”. The 3-day event enjoined the participants to come up with new ideas and hone their communication skills in order to effectively translate their vision and values into reality. In the presence of veteran Hong Kong democracy leader, Martin Lee, and Umbrella Movement activist, Joshua Wong, the participants expanded their imagination, drew inspiration from fellow youth leaders, and proposed innovative solutions to current issues and problems.

In the 2018 CYPA in Indonesia, the 3Is of Leadership still strongly resonated with the advocacies of CALD Youth. CYPA II saw the youth leaders take on the theme, “The 3Is of Leadership: Imagine, Inspire, Innovate for the Environment”. Organized in cooperation with the Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle (PDI-P), CYPA II brought the participants to three major cities: Jakarta, Semarang, and Yogyakarta. As one of Indonesia’s pioneer climate change resilient city, Semarang hosted around 30 youth leaders from different CALD member parties who came up with concrete project proposals on how the youth could help in addressing environmental concerns in the Asian region.

This 2019, CALD Youth will introduce the hackathon in CYPA III. Hackathon, popularized by the technology industry, is a sprint-like event that focuses on creating functioning products, using a specific tool, language and system. Taking its processes, CYPA III will use hackathon in generating new, innovative ideas for youth participation in politics and civic engagement.

Based on a UNDP-published East and Southeast-Asian Youth Barometer Survey:

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...generally speaking and in aggregate terms, they [youth] value the outcomes of political systems slightly more than they do the underlying normative principles.

...an interest in politics and even more claim they follow political news. In comparison with the older cohorts, however, they show lower rates overall in their psychological involvement in politics. This is related to the ways youth connect to society. They are less likely than older cohorts to be members of formal organizations, for example, and they also report low levels of social trust. On the other hand, they are more likely to have social networks. These networks, however, have yet to translate into a more robust sense of political involvement.

Taking this reality into account, CYPA III participants will be encouraged to come up with solutions complementary to the youth demographic, particularly in terms of using civic education in forging civil society initiatives, communicating to the youth effectively and tapping technology to generate political awareness and interest.

Organized in cooperation with the Democrat Party of Thailand (DP Thailand), CALD Youth will organize the 3rd CALD Youth Political Academy with the theme “The Liberal Hackathon: Strengthening Youth Participation in Politics and Civic Education” in Bangkok, Thailand on 25-29 July 2019. The objectives of this event are as follows:

- To introduce the 10 components of the *Thinking Environment* as a design thinking process for the hackathon;
- To identify the common challenges that hinder youth participation in politics and civic education in the Asian region;
- To provide a space among the participants to design smart solutions in strengthening youth participation and education; and
- To produce a concrete solution/program that the CALD Youth can accomplish in 2020 as the theme for that year’s CYPA.

Participants: 20-22 youth leaders and members of parliament, active members and/or representatives of the youth wing of their parties; 3 mentors; 2 resource speakers; 2 members of the CALD Secretariat

Official Language: English

PROGRAMME

Schedule of Activities (25 July, Thursday)

Arrival / Welcome Dinner

Variable	<p>Arrival and Check-in at the hotel</p> <p>Mode Sathorn Hotel Bangkok <i>144 N Sathon Rd, Khwaeng Silom, Khet Bang Rak, Krung Thep Maha Nakhon 10500, Thailand</i></p> <p><i>BTS Station: Surasak</i></p>
18:45	Assemble at hotel lobby and depart for Dinner venue
19:30 – 21:30	<p>Welcome Dinner Venue: Café Chilli Issan Rustic</p> <p><i>Soi Ruam Ruedi, Witthayu Road Lumpini, Pathum Wan, Athenee Residence, Bangkok 10330 Thailand</i></p> <p><i>BTS Station: Phloen Chit</i></p> <p><i>Welcome Address</i></p> <p>Siripa Nan Intavichein CALD Youth Chairperson Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i></p> <p>Moritz Kleine-Brockhoff Head, Regional Office Southeast and East Asia Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, <i>Thailand</i></p> <p><i>Awarding of Winners of Travel To Freedom</i></p> <p>Moritz Kleine-Brockhoff Head, Regional Office Southeast and East Asia Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, <i>Thailand</i></p> <p>Minnie Salao Regional Communications Manager Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, <i>Thailand</i></p> <p>Dinner</p> <p>Goosechase Instructions</p>
21:0	Return to the hotel

Schedule of Activities (26 July, Friday)

The Liberal Hackathon Day 1 / Free Night

06:00 – 08:00	<p>Breakfast Venue: <i>The Sathorn, 10F</i></p>
08:30	<p>Assembly at hotel lobby and depart for JustCo</p> <p><i>JustCo is a coworking space in Sathorn Road, Bangkok. One of the largest in Asia, JustCo provides coworking spaces and event venues to freelancers, start-ups, and different organizations.</i></p> <p><i>JustCo is a 7-minute walk from the Hotel.</i></p>
08:45 – 09:00	<p>Registration Venue: JustCo</p> <p><i>No. 11/1 South Sathorn Road, 9th & 10th Floor, AIA Sathorn Tower, Yannawa, Sathorn, Bangkok 10120</i></p>
09:00 – 09:30	<p>Breaking the Ice: The CALD Youth Goosechase</p>
09:30 – 10:00	<p>Introductions: The Liberal Hackathon</p> <p>Welcome Remarks</p> <p>Jeremiah Tomas Secretary-General, CALD Youth Vice President for International Affairs, Liberal Party – Youth, <i>Philippines</i></p> <p><i>Speaker</i></p> <p>Prinn Panitchakdi Deputy Leader Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator</i></p> <p>Trisha Lord Lecturer, The South African College of Applied Psychology Founder, Brave Heart Life, <i>South Africa</i></p> <p>Setting of Expectations <i>Use of meta cards</i></p>
10:00 – 10:30	<p>Introduction: Mentors and Mentees</p> <p>Mentors</p>



	<p>Pimrapaatt Dusadeeisariyakul (Video Introduction) Program Manager, Thailand Office Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand</p> <p>Celito F. Arlegue Executive Director Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats</p> <p>Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati Executive Director, Rock Ed <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Florian Rehm Founder, Wildchain, <i>Thailand</i></p>
10:30 – 11:30	<p>Session I: The Core Cycle of Success by Daniel Kim and The Thinking Environment</p> <p><i>“The theory is based on the premise that as quality of the relationships among people who work together increases (high team spirit, mutual respect and trust), the quality of collective thinking improves (people consider more facets of an issue and share a greater number of different perspectives).”</i></p> <p><i>The Thinking Environment is a philosophy of communication, based on the work of Nancy Kline. It is a practical series of values-based applications which are useful in family, campaigning, community and organizational life, as well as forming the basis of a teaching pedagogy and coaching approach. This session’s objective aims to introduce the 10 components of the Thinking Environment to the participants.</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator</i></p> <p>Trisha Lord Lecturer, The South African College of Applied Psychology Founder, Brave Heart Life, <i>South Africa</i></p>
11:30 – 11:40	<p>Coffee/Tea Break <i>Venue: JustCo</i></p>
11:40 – 12:35	<p>Session II: Introduction of Thinking Pairs</p> <p><i>Facilitator</i></p> <p>Trisha Lord Lecturer, The South African College of Applied Psychology Founder, Brave Heart Life, <i>South Africa</i></p>
12:35 – 13:35	<p>Lunch <i>Venue: JustCo</i></p>
13:35 –	<p>Why YOU-th Matter</p>

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14:15	<p><i>A Ted-style Talk on the challenges and importance of youth participation in politics and civil societies. The speaker will be given 30 minutes to discuss the topic and 10 minutes to answer questions.</i></p> <p><i>Speaker</i></p> <p>Abhisit Vejjajiva Former Prime Minister, <i>Thailand</i> Former CALD Chairperson</p>
14:15 – 15:15	<p>Session III: Discussing the Challenges</p> <p><i>The participants will be given 2 meta-cards for reflections on the Why Youth Matter Ted-talk. Dividing the meta-cards into the three main areas (civic education, communications, technology), participants will break into 5 groups for an open discussion. Participants are encouraged to move in between groups.</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator</i></p> <p>Trisha Lord Lecturer, The South African College of Applied Psychology Founder, Brave Heart Life, <i>South Africa</i></p>
15:15 – 15:30	<p>Coffee/Tea Break <i>Venue: JustCo</i></p>
15:30 – 16:00	<p>Session IV: Learning Partnership & Dialogue Pairs</p> <p><i>Q: “from all the thinking you’ve been exposed to, what challenge are you most interested in?”</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator</i></p> <p>Trisha Lord Lecturer, The South African College of Applied Psychology Founder, Brave Heart Life, <i>South Africa</i></p>
16:00 – 17:45	Session V: Committing to an Idea and Breaking into Groups
17:45 – 18:00	Reflection for Day 1 & Setting up of Learning Partnerships
	Free Night

Schedule of Activities (27 July, Saturday)

The Liberal Hackathon Day 2 / Dinner / Fuck-Up Night

06:00 – 08:30	<p>Breakfast <i>Venue: The Sathorn, 10F</i></p>
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08:45 – 09:00	<p>Registration</p> <p><i>Venue: The Podium, 7/F, Mode Sathorn Hotel</i></p>
09:00 – 09:30	<p>Thinking Pairs</p>
09:30 – 11:20	<p>Session VI: Solving the Problem</p> <p><i>Groups should now map out their proposals. An outline for their proposals will be distributed before the official start of the event.</i></p>
11:20 – 11:40	<p>Working Coffee/Tea Break</p> <p><i>Venue: Refreshment Area, 7/F</i></p>
11:40 – 12:20	<p>Session VI: Solving the Problem</p>
12:20 – 12:30	<p>Progress Report</p> <p><i>Each group will be given 3 minutes to give progress reports.</i></p>
12:30 – 13:30	<p>Lunch</p> <p><i>Venue: The Sathorn, 10/F</i></p>
13:30 – 14:00	<p>Consultation with Mentors – Group 1</p> <p><i>Group 1 will have a consultation with all 3 mentors – this will also serve as a chance for the other 2 mentors to have a Q&A with the group.</i></p> <p>Mentors</p> <p>Pimrapaap Dusadeeisariyakul Program Manager, Thailand Office Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand</p> <p>Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati Executive Director, Rock Ed <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Celito F. Arlegue Executive Director Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats</p> <p>Jan Ramos Pandia (via Skype) Head of Business Development Qlue, <i>Indonesia</i></p> <p>Building Blocks: Group 2 & 3</p> <p><i>The remaining 2 groups will be play Building Blocks (working title). The two groups will be given \$20 each to buy materials to create a medium-rise building. The materials will be provided by the Secretariat and will be sold to the participants. They will be given 30 minutes for this activity.</i></p>



<p>14:00 – 14:30</p>	<p>Consultation with Mentors – Group 2</p> <p>Mentors</p> <p>Pimrapaat Dusadeeisariyakul Program Manager, Thailand Office Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand</p> <p>Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati Executive Director, Rock Ed <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Celito F. Arlegue Executive Director Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats</p> <p>Jan Ramos Pandia (via Skype) Head of Business Development Qlue, <i>Indonesia</i></p> <p>Building Blocks – Group 1 & 3</p> <p><i>The two groups will be instructed to deconstruct the medium-rise building and to build a low-rise bridge using only the materials from the deconstructed medium-rise building.</i></p>
<p>14:30 – 15:00</p>	<p>Consultation with Mentors – Group 3</p> <p>Mentors</p> <p>Pimrapaat Dusadeeisariyakul Program Manager, Thailand Office Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand</p> <p>Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati Executive Director, Rock Ed <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Celito F. Arlegue Executive Director Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats</p> <p>Jan Ramos Pandia (via Skype) Head of Business Development Qlue, <i>Indonesia</i></p> <p>Building Blocks – Group 1 & 2</p> <p><i>The two groups will be tasked to elevate the low-rise bridge into a high-rise bridge</i></p>
<p>15:00 – 15:15</p>	<p>Working Coffee/Tea Break <i>Venue: Refreshment Area, 7/F</i></p>

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15:15 – 16:45	Session VI: Solving the Problem
16:45 – 17:30	<p>Your Mind Matters – A Mindfulness Session</p> <p><i>Mindfulness exercises are ways of paying attention to the present moment, using techniques like meditation, breathing, and yoga. Training helps people to become more aware of their thoughts, feelings, and body sensations so that instead of being overwhelmed by them, they're better able to manage them.</i></p> <p><i>Speaker</i></p> <p>Muenprae Rattanadit</p>
17:30 – 18:00	<p>Key Learnings and Dialogue Pairs</p> <p><i>Group sharing of their thoughts for Day 2. The dialogue pairs will be given 10 minutes for a pair activity.</i></p>
18:30	Assemble at hotel lobby and depart for Dinner venue
19:00 – 21:45	<p>Dinner</p> <p>Venue: La Monita Taqueria 888/25-26 มหรรณพลาซ่า Phloen Chit Rd, Lumpini, Pathum Wan District, Bangkok 10330, Thailand</p> <p><i>BTS Station: Phloen Chit</i></p> <p>Fuck-Up Night</p> <p><i>Speaker</i></p> <p>Jeremiah Tomas Secretary-General, CALD Youth Vice President for International Affairs, Liberal Party – Youth, <i>Philippines</i></p>

Schedule of Activities (28 July, Sunday)

The Liberal Hackathon Day 3 / Presentation Day / Farewell Dinner

06:00 – 08:30	Breakfast Venue: <i>The Sathorn, 10F</i>
08:30 – 08:45	<p>Registration</p> <p><i>Venue: The Podium, 7/F, Mode Sathorn Hotel</i></p>
08:45 – 10:30	<p>Session VI: Solving the Problem</p> <p><i>Groups should finalize their presentations.</i></p>



10:30 –
11:00

Presentation – Group 1

Panelists

Kiat Sittheeamorn

Member of Parliament, Democrat Party, *Thailand*
Vice President, Liberal International

Chito Gascon

Chairperson, Commission on Human Rights, *Philippines*

Siripa Nan Intavichein

CALD Youth Chairperson
Democrat Party, *Thailand*

Pimrapa Dusatdeeisariyakul

Program Manager, Thailand Office
Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand

Celito F. Arlegue

Executive Director
Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats

Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati

Executive Director, Rock Ed *Philippines*

Florian Rehm

Founder, Wildchain, *Thailand*

11:00 –
11:30

Presentation – Group 2

Panelists

Kiat Sittheeamorn

Member of Parliament, Democrat Party, *Thailand*
Vice President, Liberal International

Chito Gascon

Chairperson, Commission on Human Rights, *Philippines*

Siripa Nan Intavichein

CALD Youth Chairperson
Democrat Party, *Thailand*

Pimrapa Dusatdeeisariyakul

Program Manager, Thailand Office
Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand

Celito F. Arlegue

Executive Director
Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats

Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati

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	<p>Executive Director, Rock Ed <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Florian Rehm Founder, Wildchain, <i>Thailand</i></p>
11:30 – 11:45	<p>Coffee/Tea Break <i>Venue: Refreshment Area, 7/F</i></p>
11:45 – 12:15	<p>Presentation – Group 3</p> <p><i>Panelists</i></p> <p>Kiat Sittheeamorn Member of Parliament, Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i> Vice President, Liberal International</p> <p>Chito Gascon Chairperson, Commission on Human Rights, <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Siripa Nan Intavichein CALD Youth Chairperson Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i></p> <p>Pimrapaap Dusadeeisariyakul Program Manager, Thailand Office Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Thailand</p> <p>Celito F. Arlegue Executive Director Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats</p> <p>Therese “Gang” Badoy Capati Executive Director, Rock Ed <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Florian Rehm Founder, Wildchain, <i>Thailand</i></p>
12:15 – 12:45	<p>Panelist Deliberation <i>This time is allocated for the panelists to deliberate and choose a winner.</i></p>
12:45 – 13:45	<p>Lunch <i>Venue: The Sathorn, 10/F</i></p>
13:45 – 14:00	<p>Announcing of Winners</p> <p>Photo-Op</p>
14:00 – 15:45	<p>Closing Session</p> <p>Debriefing and Evaluation</p>

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	<p>Feedback from Mentors and Participants</p> <p>Appreciation Round</p>
16:45 – 18:45	<p>TukTuk Tour / Culture Walk Hosted by Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i></p>
19:00 – 21:30	<p>Farewell Dinner Hosted by Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i> Venue: Praya Palazzo Boutique Hotel Bangkok <i>757/1 ถนน สมเด็จพระปิ่นเกล้า ซอย 2 Khwaeng Bang Yi Khan, เขต บางยี่ขัน Krung Thep Maha Nakhon 10700, Thailand</i></p> <p>Closing Keynote Address Chito Gascon Chairperson, Commission on Human Rights, <i>Philippines</i></p> <p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Kiat Sittheeamorn Member of Parliament, Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i> Vice President, Liberal International</p> <p>Siripa Nan Intavichein CALD Youth Chairperson Democrat Party, <i>Thailand</i></p>
21:30	Return to the hotel

Schedule of Activities (29 July, Monday)

Departures

Variable	Departure and Check-out of the hotel
06:00 – 10:00	<p>Breakfast Venue: <i>The Sathorn, 10F</i></p>
11:00 – 13:00	<p>Assessment Meeting Venue: The Coffee Club (connected to Mode Sathorn Hotel)</p> <p><i>This meeting aims to allocate time for the Facilitator and the Secretariat to assess the challenges and successes of the event. This will also allow the Secretariat to discuss the proposals and the winning idea of the Hackathon for CYPA IV.</i></p>