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ENHANCING ADVOCACY IN A TIME OF CRISIS *“Better Advocacy Using the Rights-Based Approach”* ACPP Training Workshop Series April to June 2009

The current financial crisis is presenting new challenges to advocates of social justice/human rights. In Hong Kong, social injustices – unemployment, discrimination, impoverishment, to name a few – will become even more evident. While the calls for social justice and genuine democracy may increase, for the same reason, there will be greater resistance from those in power.

The need is there to enhance our existing advocacy skills to respond to these challenges.

The *Asian Center for the Progress of Peoples (ACPP)* and the Human Rights Council of Australia (HRCA) have carried out numerous joint trainings for social justice advocates in Asia on the use of the human rights-based approach (RBA) as a tool to develop more accurate analyses, effective strategies and appropriate tactics to deal with similar challenges.

As part of our staff development this year, the *ACPP* will be holding a training workshop series on “Better Advocacy Using the Rights-Based Approach”.

The main resource person and facilitator will be Mr. André Frankovits who has gained an international reputation in the field – please see the attached biographical note.

The training workshop will be open to a maximum of 10 other social justice/human rights advocates in Hong Kong.

Registration/Training Fee (non refundable and non transferable):
HK\$500 for the compulsory three full-day sessions,
HK\$600 for four full-day sessions.

The training workshop will be carried out in English.

The workshop series will consist of four full-day sessions (9:00am to 5:00pm). A major emphasis of the workshop will be on participatory learning – group discussions, exercises, case-studies. By the end of the workshop, participants will be equipped to come up with better tactics and strategies for their advocacy work.

Due to the nature of the sessions, it will be compulsory for participants to fully attend the first 3 days; no part-time participants will be accepted.

Tentative Agenda:

- Day 1 – Our common challenges, human rights as a tool for clearer analysis
- Day 2 – Campaigning using the rights-based approach, some successful experiences
- Day 3 – Developing strategies using the RBA, identifying relevant tactics to reach our objectives
- Day 4 – Applying the lessons of the three days to our own practice

If you are interested to participate, please fill in the attached **Application Form** and return to the *ACPP* [subject: RBA Training Workshop 09] **on or before Friday, 3 April 2009**. Once your application has been accepted, you will be informed about your acceptance with other relevant details on the training workshop.

“Better Advocacy Using the Rights-Based Approach”
ACPP Training Workshop Series 2009

APPLICATION FORM

Please put “X” in the appropriate boxes below:

- > I would like to participate fully in the **first 3 days** of the Training Workshop:
18 April, 30 May, and 20 June 2009 (Saturdays)
- > I would like to participate fully in **all 4 days** of the Training Workshop:
18 April, 30 May, 20 June, and 27 June 2009 (Saturdays)
- > A crossed cheque for the amount of HK\$ _____ has been sent by post.

PERSONAL INFORMATION	
Name:	
Male or Female?	Date of Birth
Organization (if applicable):	
Present Occupation / Responsibility/ Ministry:	
CONTACT DETAILS	
Address:	
Telephone:	E-mail:
HUMAN RIGHTS INVOLVEMENT/EXPERIENCE	
Have you previously attended any human rights training, animation or formation programmes? (if yes, please give the theme / title of the last three you attended with dates/year)	
Which aspects of human rights work are you engaged in – research, solidarity work, advocacy, organizing, training, animation, formation, others (please identify)?	
Please list three human rights issues which you are currently working on or consider important. (Please use an extra sheet if you wish to elaborate)	
WHAT ARE YOUR EXPECTATIONS FOR THE TRAINING?	

Please return to **hotline@acpp.org** or **fax: 2712 0152** on or **before 3 April 2009**
and send a crossed cheque for the relevant amount,
payable to “Asian Center for the Progress of Peoples Limited” to

ACPP-Hotline Asia
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Please write your name and contact number at the back of the cheque.
Your cheque will be returned to you if your application is unsuccessful.