

## International Thai Foundation (“ITF”)

### COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (“COE”)

#### PERIOD

This Report covers the International Thai Foundation’s (“ITF’s”) activities from 01.01.2022 to 31.12.2023.

#### STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FROM MS T CHOKSIRITHANANON (CHAIR TRUSTEE) AND MR JOHN LEWIS ON BEHALF OF THE ITF

We remain fully supportive of the UN Global Compact and its ongoing initiatives.

Our strategies and activities are based on the universal principles regarding:

1. Corporate Sustainability
2. Anti-Corruption
3. Human Rights
4. Labor
5. Environment
6. Civil Liberties & the pursuit of Justice.

Mission: empowerment of individuals and entities for equality and capacity-building.

#### ACTIVITY1: NETWORKING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

##### 2022

- We organised and were actively involved in several networking events:
  7. 3x networking seminars in Bangkok, Pattaya & Chiang Mai to highlight human trafficking & anti-corruption.
  8. Transparency International: anti-corruption seminar with Thai NGOs.
  9. Participant in various events regarding the establishment of a Memorandum agreement between [12]x ASEAN Foundations to further the protective measures on civil liberties and the rights of defendants in the Thai, Cambodian, Myanmar, Laos & Vietnamese legal systems;

##### 2023

10. We organised and were actively involved in several networking events:
11. 7x networking seminars in Bangkok, Pattaya & Chiang Mai
12. Communications & Newsletter regarding corporate sustainability, child welfare, migration and labor bondage.

**Outcomes for Years 2022 to 2023:** increased awareness of the ITF & UN Global Compact including capacity- building, cooperation & information sharing.

## ACTIVITY 2: WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

13. 2022: we hosted 1x workshop to inform potential stakeholders & interested parties relating to Thai & ASEAN labor practices, human trafficking, sex working, bribery & business / sustainability practices.
14. 2023: we hosted 3x workshops to inform potential stakeholders & interested parties relating to Thai & ASEAN labor practices, human trafficking, sex working, bribery & business / sustainability practices.

**Outcomes for Years 2022 to 2023:** skill development towards competency.

## ACTIVITY 3: RESEARCH / ARTICLES

15. Case Comment: *R (T & T) v Secretary of State for the Home Department* [2022] UKSC401
16. Case Comment: *R (Mashraf) v Secretary of State for the Home Department* [2022] UKSC412
17. Case Comment: *R (Beasley & Watkins) v Secretary of State for the Home Department* [2022] UKSC521
18. Case Comment: *R (Khan & Singh) v Secretary of State for the Home Department* [2022] UKSC601
19. Case Comment: *R (Holt & Ors) v Secretary of State for the Home Department* [2023] UKSC712

**Outcomes for Years 2022 to 2023:** maintained advocacy & representation in immigration, employment, human rights & public law cases.

## ACTIVITY 4: EXPERTISE DEVELOPMENT

20. Acknowledgement by the Thai Ministry of Interior that the ITF is and remains the only Thai Foundation offering pro bono legal services in various legal subject areas; including criminal law, civil law, human rights, immigration law, employment law, family law, succession law, property law, debt, welfare etc...
21. Increased knowledge & capacity-building for greater awareness / skills pursuant to the SDGs.

**Outcomes for Years 2022 to 2023:** continuation of the Pro Bono Legal Centre.

## ACTIVITY 5: STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE & CSR NETWORK

22. The ITF conducted 2x Stakeholder Committee meetings consisting of 22 & 7 members from interested parties.
23. The Agendas focused on (i) Human Rights, Civil Liberties & Sustainability; and (ii) Internal Compliance & Operations.

**Outcomes for Years 2022 to 2023:** ratification of the UNGC 10 Principles and a commitment to its practical implementation in business for economic & social development.

#### ACTIVITY 6: ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE LOCAL NETWORK

24. 2022 & 2023 remote engagement & participation with Global Compact Local Networks and its events; including attendance at various seminars.

ITF should continue its engagement & activities with the UN Global Compact in Thailand, USA & UK and its various members.

#### CONCLUSIONS

- 25. the ITF had effected significant measures to implement awareness of the UNGC SDGs;
- 26. ongoing steps regarding human rights & civil liberty advice via the Pro Bono Legal Centre.
- 27. continued mapping of CSR entities in Thailand.
- 28. further requests for cooperation from the Thai government & ASEAN entities to support the UNGC principles.

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John Lewis Company Secretary

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