

Labor Forum
on
“The Role of Labor-Related Issues in Promoting U.S. Foreign Assistance Goals”

Wednesday, October 10, 2007
3:00pm-5:00pm
United States Agency for International Development
Library Conference Room, M-17 (to be confirmed)
1300 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20523

The Third Labor Forum is part of an on-going effort to incorporate inputs from the non-governmental and the academic and policy communities on the contribution of labor-related issues to U.S. Foreign Assistance goals. Recognizing that the U.S. government has long supported labor-related programming in its promotion of fundamental human rights, democracy and good governance, and sustainable social and economic development, USAID and the Department of State are conducting an assessment of strategic labor priorities for U.S. Foreign Assistance. The goal of the third forum is to solicit comments and encourage discussion on the first draft of a technical paper (to be circulated the week prior to the forum), that will serve as a broad conceptual framework for analyzing strategic labor priorities in the context of U.S. development and diplomacy goals.

Mr. Jeffrey Wheeler and Ms. Lynn Salinger, two experts engaged to coordinate the assessment and produce the technical paper, will present the first draft of the technical paper at the forum. They will also be available for individual consultations with participants, on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 9th and 10th.

Agenda

- 3:00 Introduction: USAID/DCHA and STATE/DRL
- 3:10 Scope of Work: USAID/DCHA/DG and STATE/DRL/ILCSR
- 3:20 Labor Rights, Democracy and Governance: Jeff Wheeler
- 3:30 Labor Markets: B. Lynn Salinger
- 3:40 Labor in the FAF: Jeff and Lynn
- 3:50 Regional Assessments: Jeff and Lynn
- 4:00 Discussion
- 5:00 End