

## Venue

SMX, Mall of Asia, Pasay City, Metro-Manila, Philippines. It has a view of the famous Manila sunset. It is near the airport and is in the midst of the commercial and business area. It is also accessible to the media, representatives of peoples' organizations and other guests.

## Registration

A list of hotels near the conference venue will be circulated later so delegates can make their reservations directly via the internet. For assistance or queries, please contact the Host Secretariat.

## Registration Fees

Category	Before Aug 1, 2010	After Aug 1, 2010
Lawyers		
Option 1*	USD 200	USD 250
Option 2**	USD 150	USD 200
Academe	USD 100	USD 150
NGO	USD 80	USD 120
Law Students	USD 50	USD 100
* Lawyer for 10 years or more		
** Lawyer for less than 10 years		

## Dates

The conference proper of COLAP V will be on September 18-19, 2010. Delegates have the option to stay longer after the conference to attend major human rights activities scheduled in the period and/or venture into alternative tourism. The Host Secretariat will circulate information about them later.

## Visa

The Philippines has no pre-travel visa requirement for those coming from the ASEAN countries and the United States, Canada, Australia and Japan. Examples of countries with visa requirements are North and South Korea and those from South and Central Asia. The Host Committee will issue later a more complete and updated list of countries with and without visa requirements.

Those coming from countries covered by visa requirements may apply under the Expedited Visa Program announced recently by the Philippine Bureau of Immigration. It is available in the bureau's website. Delegates who need assistance will please get in touch with the Host Secretariat.

For more information, please contact

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**5th Conference  
of Lawyers in Asia-Pacific  
18-19 September 2010  
Manila, Philippines**

**Human Rights and Peace  
Amidst Global Economic Crisis  
and Conflict**

## HUMAN RIGHTS AND PEACE Amidst Global Economic Crisis and Conflict

What is COLAP?

The **Conference of Lawyers in Asia Pacific (COLAP)** is a significant gathering of lawyers regularly organized by the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL). COLAP is primarily attended by lawyers from the Asia Pacific Region but also includes those from Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States.

The conference brings together progressive lawyers and other human rights advocates to discuss issues of human rights, development and peace in the region based on which they come up with plans and resolutions to address them. This general theme serves as COLAP's over-arching framework. However, a particular COLAP conference has its own thematic emphasis depending on the needs and prevailing issues affecting the region in a particular period. The theme of this year's COLAP is Human Rights and Peace Amidst Global Economic Crisis and Conflict.

The first COLAP was held in 1988 in New Delhi, India. COLAP II was held in Tokyo, Japan in 1991 while COLAP III in Hanoi, Vietnam on October 19-20, 2001. COLAP IV was held in Seoul, South Korea on September 2-3, 2005.

COLAP V will be held in Manila, Philippines on September 18-19, 2010.

### Programme

**Day 0: Sept. 17 (Friday)**  
Registration of Delegates

**Day 1: Sept. 18 (Saturday)**  
Opening Presentation  
Welcome Remarks  
Introduction to COLAP V  
Introduction of Delegates  
Messages from the International Association of Democratic Lawyers (IADL) and Host Country

Keynote Speeches  
Impact of the Global Economic Crisis and Conflict on Human Rights in Asia-Pacific  
Impact of Global Economic Crisis and Conflict on Peace and Human Development in Asia-Pacific  
Alternative Lawyering as a Tool for Human Rights Protection

Simultaneous Workshops  
Workshop I - U.S. Aggression and Military Intervention in Asia-Pacific (Impact on policy of Obama's presidency)  
Workshop II – Impact and Implications on Civil and Political Rights  
Workshop III – Impact and Implications on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights  
Workshop IV – Developing and Ensuring an Independent Judiciary and Legal Profession  
Workshop V – Impact on Women and Children

Caucus of Law Students  
Official Dinner by Host Country

### General Objectives

COLAP V aims to provide a forum for lawyers, law students and other peace and human rights advocates from the region to:

- Discuss and deepen understanding of the human rights and peace situation in Asia Pacific in the context of the international recession
- Share experiences in the struggle for human rights and peace and draw lessons from such experiences
- Bring to the attention of the region vital issues that affect human rights and peace at the international and global regional levels

**Day 2: Sept. 19 (Sunday)**  
Simultaneous Workshops  
Workshop VI - Assessing National, Regional and International Human Rights Mechanisms  
Workshop VII - Fighting Against Corruption in Public Office for Good Governance  
Workshop VIII - Threats to Peace and Peace-Building in Asia-Pacific  
Workshop IX – Assessing Laws Concerning the Environment and their Implementation

Special Seminar  
Host Country Situation: The Philippines

Side Events

Closing  
Solidarity Dinner