

JUNIMA Steering Committee meeting



On February 25th the Steering Committee of the Joint United Nations Initiative on Mobility and HIV/AIDS in South East Asia **JUNIMA** discussed key priorities in 2011 and the scope and future direction for JUNIMA. A specially commissioned diagnostic tool to track progress against commitments to promote access to health and HIV services for migrant workers was reviewed as well. The tool will be presented for validation to ASEAN member countries at a high level meeting later this year.

New Publication

A desk review commissioned by the Pacific Centre identifies good practices in law reform options that could be applied in order to modernize the disparate pieces of legislation that currently govern family law in the Cook Islands. The paper **Advancing the Implementation of CEDAW in the Cook Islands: Good Practice approaches to Civil Family Law Bill** includes international comparison examples from around the world.



Strategic Engagement Policy 2011

This week the APRC team discussed the 2011 Engagement plans with the Country offices in Vietnam, Cambodia, the Maldives and Sri Lanka. The series of video-teleconferences with all Country offices in the region will conclude in March with Engagement plans agreed and exchange of Letters of commitment.

On Mission

In Indonesia, our financial analyst Nadda conducted trainings on ATLAS budgeting and reporting and on the Service Tracking System (STS), an application developed by the APRC's IT team to track operations transactional services as well as management info. Over 70 Country office programme and operation colleagues attended the trainings.

Rethinking Knowledge



While throughout the week trainings on Teamworks (TW) were running in full speed for all staff at the Regional Centre in Bangkok, Solution Exchange was launched in Philippines with a Community of Practice on HIV & AIDS. Philippines is the sixth country in Asia and the Pacific to launch this knowledge facilitation service of the UN. Solution Exchange was first launched by the UNCT in India in 2005 where it currently has 13 communities with more than 20,000 members. SE Communities are also active in Bhutan, Thailand, Cambodia, Russia and the Pacific with Bangladesh soon to follow.