

International Association for Community Development  
(IACD) Victorian Branch Seminar Series 2011



# On-the-Ground Community Development in Cambodia

panel discussion with

## Ms Buth Saman

Special Guest, Executive Director,  
Children and Life Association (CLA),  
Cambodian NGO

## Barbara Jackson

Community Links with Cambodia  
Melbourne

## Sarah Spiller

PhD Candidate, Development and  
Participation in Cambodia



**Tue 8th March 2011 5.30pm-7.30pm**

Australian Volunteers International Seminar Room, 71 Argyle Street  
Fitzroy VIC 3065, (03) 9279 1788

In 1999, Saman Buth started a small Cambodian NGO called the Children and Life Association (CLA) with the aim to improve the life and livelihood of the poor. Saman's previous work with Save the Children Australia (SCA) in Phnom Penh inspired her to start CLA and the organisation is now involved in 162 villages in Prey Veng Province and is a highly respected child rights and community development NGO in Cambodia. In 1992, Saman met Barbara Jackson, a community development professional who was working in an integrated rural development program in Vietnam. Barbara will present at this seminar alongside Saman and Sarah Spiller who recently conducted her PhD research in Mesang, Cambodia. This seminar will provide insights into recent advances in on-the-ground community development in Cambodia and CLA's wholistic, child-centred approach that focuses on assisting the whole family to retain their dignity, earn their own livelihood and avoid the trappings of city life that entices people to sell their children for money.

Please RSVP Enza on [santangeloenza547@gmail.com](mailto:santangeloenza547@gmail.com) if you would like to attend. This is a free event but if people would like to make a donation this can be done on the night. A gold coin is required for coffee and tea.

International Association for Community Development (IACD) Victorian Branch, Borderlands Cooperative and Community Links with Cambodia Melbourne (CLC) are auspices for this seminar.

