

Workshop on  
Political Campaign Finance  
On 26<sup>th</sup> May 2010  
At Imperial Garden Hotel

### Objectives

- a. The Participant will be able to learn:
  - Why do we need a Political Campaign Finance Law?
  - The Legal Framework for Political Campaign Finance
  - What is Political Campaign Finance?
  - The Effect of Political Finance in the Political Field
- b. Participants will be able to discuss and explore different possibilities or strategies for advocating creation of a new law on Political Campaign Finance or making amendments to the existing election law or regulations.

### Expected Result

- a. 50 participant, understand and are interested in the vital points on political campaign finance,
- b. The majority of participants support one of the three options below:
  1. Adding more articles into the National Election Committee's election regulation and procedures.
  2. Making amendments to the existing Law on the Election of the Members of National Assembly or Law on the Election of Commune Councils.
  3. Creating a new Law on Political Campaign Finance.

### TENTATIVE AGENDA

#### Time

08:00 The arrival of participants and distinguished guests and registration

08:15 National Anthem

#### Session 1

*Moderator: Mr. Koul Panha*

08:30 Opening Remarks: *By Mr. Thun Saray, President of ADHOC Association, and President of Comfrel's Board of Director*

08:40 The Relationship between Good Governance and Political Campaign Finance  
*By His Excellency Chem Yeab, Chief of second committee in National Assembly*

08:55 The Possibility of Creating Political Campaign Finance legal framework.  
*By His Excellency Son Chhay, Member of Parliament*

09:05 The Human Rights' point of view on the Possibility of Creating Political Campaign Finance.

09:15 The FUNCINPEC Party's point of view on the Possibility of Creating Political Campaign Finance.  
*By His Excellency Tep Nonry*

09:20 The Nationalism Party's point of view on the Possibility of Creating Political Campaign Finance.  
*By His Excellency Sao Rany*

09:25 Questions & Answers

09:35 Break & Refreshment

## Session 2

*Moderator: Mr. Yong Kem Eng*

- 09:50 The Legal framework on Political Campaign Finance in French  
*By French Embassy's Representative to Cambodia.*
- 10:15 The Experience relating to the Legal Framework for Political Campaign Finance.  
*By Mr. Robert A. Patterson, IFES Country Director*
- 10:25 Questions & Answers
- 10:40 Options for Creating a Legal Framework or Amendment of Election Laws or NEC's Regulation.  
*By Comfrel's Legal team work.*
- 10:55 Questions & Answers
- 11:10 Group discussion
- 11:50 Lunch Time

## Session 3

*Moderator: Mr. Lee Sothearayuth*

- 14:00 the Presentation of Groups' Options
- 14:15 Group 1
- 14:30 Group 2
- 14:45 Group 3
- 15:00 The Attempt to reach a **consensus by**
- 15:15 Break & Refreshment

## Session 4

*Moderator: Mr. Soun Sareth*

- 15:30 The Empirical Experience of the National Election Committee in relating to Election Campaign Finance Control.  
*By Mr. SOKOLAC Tipor, Deputy Secretary General of NEC*
- 15:45 Sum up of the Seminar results  
*By Mr. Koul Panha, Executive Director of Comfrel.*
- 16:00 The Seminar Conclusion  
Closing Remark *By Mr. Sok Sam Oeun, From Cambodian Project Defender(CDP).*
- 16:15 National Anthem and Closing