

ANNEX 2
STANDARD TEMPLATE
QUARTERLY UPDATES

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Project Title: ASEAN-EU LEMLIFE: A Collaborative International Training Programme in Law, Ethics and Management in the Life Sciences
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I. Introduction

- *This is third update of the ASEAN-EU LEMLIFE Project. During the previous three months, the Project has accomplished the objectives set out in the proposal and the contract. Please see details below.*

II. Description of Activities

- Preparing of the Course Material
 - *This is the main activity of the Project. The participants of the Project are preparing the teaching material on bioethics, biolaw and biomanagement, and these materials will be distributed beforehand and discussed during the Second Workshop, which will take place in Bilbao from November 19 to 21, 2004. These materials will form chapters in Biotechnology in Society: Ethical, Legal and Management Issues from ASEAN and EU, which will be published through the funds of the Project through co-operation with Chulalongkorn University Press.*
- Presentation of Research Papers
 - *During the Bilbao meeting, some of the participants in the Project will present their current research works on the general topic of 'research ethics.' Those who will present are: Le Ding Luong, Chan Chee Khoo, Brigitte Jansen, Ruth Chadwick, Chaichana Nimnuan, Emmanuel Fernando, and Somparn Promta.*
- Addition of New Members
 - *One of the members of the Project, Sudharm Yoonaidharma (Chulalongkorn University), has indicated that he could no longer fully participate, due to his appointment as Member of the National Telecommunication Board. As a result, Dr. Soraj Hongladarom has invited Dr. Chaichana Nimnuan (Faculty of Medicine, Chula) to take part in the Bilbao workshop, and Leonardo de Castro has proposed Dr. Emmanuel Fernando also to take part in the Bilbao workshop too.*
- Publications of Academic Papers in an International Journal
 - *The total of seven academic papers have been submitted to, and accepted for publication in a special issue of Eubios: An International Journal of Asian and International Bioethics, edited by Darryl Macer. The seven papers are authored by Nikolaus Knoepfler, Brigitte Jansen and Jürgen Simon, Minakshi Bhardwaj, Soraj Hongladarom, Somparn Promta, Jürgen Simon and Carlos-Maria Casabona. The issue is scheduled to appear in November this year.*
- Newsletters
 - *Since the time of the Second Report, the Project has published two newsletters, one in English and the other in Thai. The Thai newsletter is much more substantial, as it is intended to provide basic knowledge and news update on bioethical issues to the public. Another newsletter in Thai is planned to come out toward the end of December.*
- Website

- *The website of the Project, at <http://www.asean-eu-lemlife.org/>, contains material from the First Workshop and the articles from the newsletters. It also contains links the papers belonging to the Project as well as some links on bioethics.*
- Arrangement of Meetings
- *The meeting on 'Science in Thai Culture and Society' has successfully been organized on Friday, September 17. Around sixty people attended and there were lively exchanges on the nature of the relationship between science and society in the Thai context.*
- *During the last three months of this year, there will be two meetings. The first meeting is on Death and Dying: Perspectives from Religions and Science, and is organized jointly with the Center for Buddhist Studies and the Thousand Stars Foundation. The meeting is scheduled on November 12 and 13, at Room 707, Faculty of Arts Building, Chulalongkorn University. The main objective of the meeting is to engage the public in thinking seriously about death in the context of bioethical, scientific and spiritual perspectives. It is expected that as many as one hundred participants will attend this important meeting.*
- *Another meeting is the first of the training sessions as stated in the Contract. The training session, to be conducted in Thai and is entitled "Introduction to Bioethics: Choices for the Thai Society" will be jointly conducted by the Project and the Institute of Thai Studies, Chulalongkorn University. This will be an important meeting in that it represents some of the first attempts in the country at organizing and disseminating the knowledge base on bioethical issues as well as the relevant legal and management aspects. The training will take place from November 29 to December 2, 2004, at the Mahachulalongkorn Building, Chulalongkorn University. It is projected that around 120 people will attend the session, representing a cross section of disciplines, agencies, gender, educational attainment (the minimum requirement for attending being only a high school diploma) and age groups. The Ambassador of the EU Delegates to Thailand and the General Secretary of the ASEAN University Network also have been invited to preside at the opening ceremony of the event.*

Signature

(Dr. Soraj Hongladarom)

Date 30 September 2004