



**SIGNIS WORLD CONGRESS 2009**  
**17-21 October 2009 Chiang Mai, Thailand**  
**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Thursday, 15 October 2009**

Arrivals of participants as per individual itineraries

**Friday, 16 October 2009**

Breakfast at hotels (use hotel's breakfast coupon)

Arrivals as per individual itineraries

08:00-18:00 Registration at the Secretariat  
*Vimarn Room I, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Empress Hotel*

Free evening, dinner on your own

**Saturday, 17 October 2009**

Breakfast at hotels (use hotel's breakfast coupon)

08:00-18:00 Registration at the Secretariat  
*Vimarn I Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Empress Hotel*

07:30 Depart hotels for cultural immersion

A full-day trip to Mae Sa Elephant-At-Work and a visit to the most fascinating Buddhist temple on a hill top, Wat Phrathat Doi Suthep, overlooking the city. Lunch is included in the tour.

15:30 Back to hotels

17:30 Travelers' Mass  
*Sacred Heart of Jesus Cathedral*

18:30 Welcome Reception/Dinner hosted by Diocese of Chiang Mai  
*Sacred Heart School*

**Sunday, 18 October 2009**

Breakfast at hotels (use hotel's breakfast coupon)

09:00 **Opening Ceremony\***  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Empress Convention Centre*

Eucharistic Liturgy  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Empress Convention Centre*

\*Dress code: Formal attire or national dress

10:30 Group photo  
*Ground floor, Empress Convention Centre*

Coffee Break  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

11:15 **Opening Ceremony (contd)**  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

12:00 Lunch  
*Ground Floor, ECC*

14:00 PLENARY SESSION  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

Keynote I: ***Human Rights - Children's Rights***  
***by Dr Zilda Arns Neumann***

15:30 Coffee Break  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

16:00 *Orientation: Children Workshop*  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

16:00 Presentation of BICE Appeal for Children  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

16:30 Theology of Communications – Prof. Joe De Mesa  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

17:30 Asia Panorama (Japan/India/Indonesia)  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

18:30 Adjourned

Free evening, dinner on your own

**Monday, 19 October 2009**

Breakfast at hotels (use hotel's breakfast coupon)

08:00 Eucharistic Liturgy  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

09:00 PLENARY SESSION  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

Keynote II : ***Media for Social Transformation  
by Jan Servaes and Steven Gan***

09:00 *Children Workshop (all day long)*  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC and Break-out area, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

10:30 Coffee Break  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

11:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS:  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

(W1) TV Producers  
*Chiangmai Room I*

(W2) Making Community Media Work  
*Chiangmai Room II*

(W3) Media in the Internet Age  
*Chiangmai Room III*

(W4) Spirituality in Asian Cinema  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V*

12:30 Lunch  
*Ground Floor, ECC*

14:00 PLENARY SESSION  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

Show & Tell

14:45 Time to Breakout rooms

15:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS:  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

(W5) God, Religion and the Media - TV Production and other media  
*Chiangmai Room I - II*

(W6) SIGMEP/ Digital Age Influence on Faith Formation  
*Chiangmai Room IV - V*

- 16:30 Coffee Break  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- 17:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS:  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- (W7) Media Contributing to a New World  
*Chiangmai Room I - II*
- (W8) Children's Rights and the Media  
*Chiangmai Room IV - V*
- 18:30 Adjourned
- Free evening, dinner on your own
- 19:30-20:30 Secretariat services  
*Vimarn Room I & II, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Empress Hotel*
- 20:00-21:30 Films / Fringe Meetings  
*Paitoon Room & Paytai Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Empress Hotel*

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| <b>Tuesday, 20 October 2009</b> |
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- Breakfast at hotels (use hotel's breakfast coupon)
- 08:00 Eucharistic Liturgy  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- 09:00 PLENARY SESSION  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- Keynote III : ***Growing Up in a Digital World***  
***by Michael Hertl and Angeline Khoo***
- 09:00 *Children Workshop (all day long)*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- 10:30 Coffee Break  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- 11:00 CONCURRENT SESSIONS:  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*
- (W9) TV Producers  
*Chiangmai Room I*
- (W10) Media for Peacebuilding  
*Chiangmai Room II*
- (W11) New Media & Young People  
*Chiangmai Room III*

(W12) Radio for Children  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V*

12:30

Lunch  
*Ground Floor, ECC*

14:00

PLENARY SESSION  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

Show & Tell

14:45

Time to Breakout rooms

15:00

CONCURRENT SESSIONS:  
*2<sup>nd</sup>Floor, ECC*

(W13) Children's Rights - TV Production and other media  
*Chiangmai Room I-II*

(W14) The Asian Cinema Challenge  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V*

15:00

*Rehearsal for Children's Showcase*  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

16:30

Coffee Break  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, ECC*

17:00

CONCURRENT SESSIONS:  
*2<sup>nd</sup>Floor, ECC*

(W15) Children Working with Media  
*Chiangmai Room I-II*

(W16) SIGMEP/ Media Literacy in Practice  
*Chiangmai Room IV-V*

18:30

Adjourned  
  
Free evening, dinner on your own

19:30-21:00

Secretariat services  
*Vimarn Room I & II, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Empress Hotel*

20:00-21:30

Films / Fringe Meetings  
*Paitoon Room & Paytai Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Empress Hotel*

**Wednesday, 21 October 2009**

Breakfast at hotels (use hotel's breakfast coupon)

09:00

Showcases:  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

***VJ's Showcase***

***Children's Showcase -- CHILDREN'S VOICE ON THE RISE***

10:30

Coffee Break  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

11:00

PLENARY SESSION  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

Presentation and deliberation of Congress Process  
and suggestions for Assembly of Delegates

12:30

Lunch

14:00

**Media Awards Ceremony\***  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

16:00

Coffee  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

17:00

**Eucharistic Liturgy & Closing Ceremony\***  
*Chiangmai Room I-V, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor*

19:00

**Gala Dinner to celebrate 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SIGNIS\***  
*Empress Grand Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, ECC*

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**Notes:**

- 1) Vimarn Room I and II (The Empress Hotel) will be used as the Secretariat and meeting room from October 15 to 23. During the Congress days (18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>), the Secretariat at the hotel will be closed during day time and relocated at Board Room 3 at the Empress Convention Centre. The Secretariat at Vimarn Room I and II will be open for services in the evening and at night if necessary.
- 2) Board Rooms at the Convention Centre will be used during the Congress days (18<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>) as follows:
  - Board Room I: Steering Committee / Fringe meetings
  - Board Room II: Work room for VJs
  - Board Room III: Secretariat
  - Board Room IV: Chapel
- 3) Every day, the Empress Convention Centre will be entirely closed after the meeting of Steering Committee.
- 4) **BISHOPS AND PRIESTS: Alb and stole for concelebration of Masses will be provided by local organizers. Please assemble at least 10 minutes before the Masses for vesting.**