

## NGOs to Hold a Major Political Forum for Presentation of Parties' Views in Phnom Penh on 6 June 2013

The Cambodian National Election will be held on 28 July 2013, and is a matter of great importance to all Cambodians. This is a major national event and media focus will be on the policies of individual political parties and how they will enact these following the election.

Key NGOs will hold a Political Forum on **Thursday 6 June in Phnom Penh**, at which major political parties will be invited to outline their policies on major issues so that the public can be informed about the views of these parties.

The issues that political representatives will be asked to comment on include policies on Economic and Land Reform; The Environment, Forestry and Climate Change; Social and Human Development and Rule of Law, Good Governance and Access to Information.

NGOs hosting this event include **NGO Forum on Cambodia, COMFREL, CCC, GADC, Silaka, CCHR, DPA, VOD, CRRT, API, CPWP TI, and CHRAC.**

The meeting in Phnom Penh will follow two provincial forums to be held in Mondulkiri and Sihanoukville province.

We appeal to the leaders of the main political parties, especially those for the office of Prime Minister, to attend this Forum on 6 June, which will be attended by more than 300 key community representatives.

Media are warmly invited to attend and hear the policies which will be put forward by individual parties.

- WHAT** : Major Political Forum to hear political parties views on key policies
- WHEN** : Thursday 6 June 2013 7.30 am – 4 pm
- WHERE** : Imperial Garden Hotel and Villa Phnom Penh
- WHO** : Representatives of major political parties, heads of NGOs, Community representatives

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